ESOU 2015
12th Meeting of the EAU Section of Oncological Urology (ESOU)
16th – 18th January 2015, Munich, Germany

STEPS ‘Meet-the-Expert’ Session
Saturday 17th January 2015

Programme Update:
Now including a testicular cancer discussion
Programme Rationale and Objectives

**Rationale:**
- Maximize the opportunities open to younger clinicians through direct interaction with the ESOU Board and high level experts
- Strengthen existing ties and encourage projects between researchers that will offer scientific authenticity and integrity
- Support ESOU in its continued scientific ambitions and research focused projects

**The programme has three key objectives:**
- To offer an innovative educational opportunity to selected young clinicians
- To increase visibility of ESOU among these young clinicians
- To build, over time, a network of specialists with complementary interests and expertise
Profile of STEPS Participants

- STEPS aims to engage with up to 20 clinicians each year
- Who are they?
  - Recently specialised clinicians with a firm interest in the diagnosis and management of urological cancers
  - Demonstrated support from their head of department (by letter)
  - Keen to participate in ESOU and EAU programmes
  - Understand and speak English fluently
- In addition they should:
  - Share the long-term ambition of creating a network of European clinicians focusing on the continued research and improved management of patients with urological cancers
Nomination and Invitation Process

- Application process
  - Please complete the application form which is available through European Academic Centres
  - All applicants must have written support from their head of department
- If accepted, you will receive:
  - An official invitation letter from the ESOU board to certify the placement
  - Support from your local Ipsen office to assist you with planning travel and accommodation
  - Information on the clinical cases to be discussed and directions on undertaking the pre-session evaluation questionnaire about the case
    - Pre- and post-session evaluations will be carried out as part of the CME accreditation process
Attending the STEPS Meeting

- STEPS Meet-the-Expert session will take place on Saturday 17th January 2015, after the ESOU programme.
- By taking part in STEPS you will attend the entire ESOU programme.
- STEPS is a unique opportunity to interact with ESOU Board Members and senior experts in the field, due to the nature of the programme only a limited number of nominees will be accepted to take part each year.
- In 2015 discussions will focus on prostate, bladder, renal and testicular cancers.
  - The experts who will lead discussions are Judd Moul (prostate), Yves Fradet (bladder), Didier Jacqmin (renal) and Axel Heidenreich (testicular).
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• Format:
  • Total attendees: 20 STEPS participants, four (4) expert clinician mentors, four (4) ESOU Board members
  • Set-up: four (4) roundtable discussions, each with a different discussion topic (prostate, bladder, renal or testicular cancer)
    • After a short introduction ESOU board members and expert clinicians would engage the table in discussing disease related topics, recent controversies and treatment strategies.
    • STEPS participant’s will be asked for their opinions, treatment suggestions, and what alternative options each may have looked at in dealing with the case/situation.
How to take part?

- To apply to take part in STEPS, you will need to:
  - Complete the programme application form
  - Provide a letter from your head of department endorsing your application
  - Attach a copy of your CV and up to date publication list to help us understand your interests and progression
- Applications forms and information will be available through European Academic Centres
- Once your application is received it will be reviewed by the ESOU Board who will select the final participants to the session
- If successful, you will also be contacted by your local IPSEN representative to help coordinate your attendance at the ESOU annual meeting
Additional information

Should you require any additional information about STEPS, or to apply to take part in the programme, please email: Matthew.Hebdon@atriumhealth.com

Further information is also available through: http://www.uroweb.org/sections/oncological-urology-esou

Applications must be received by Friday 17th October 2014

Successful applicants will be notified in the week commencing Monday 17th November

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