

Von Willebrand Disease Working Party

Membership and Attendance

Mike Laffan	Chairman	3/3
David Keeling		3/3
James O'Donnell		1/3
Will Lester		3/3
Andrew Will		1/3 (plus one dial in technical failure)
Campbell Tait		2/3
Anne Goodeve		3/3
John Pasi		0/3
Carolyn Millar		2/3

The VWD working party met 3 times in the last year and will meet again on 14th November, prior to the AGM.

Activities

Review diagnostic and treatment guidelines of 2004

In 2004, the UKHCDO von Willebrand Disease Working Party working party published two guidelines, one on diagnosis and one on treatment of von Willebrand disease (Laffan and Pasi, first authors). The WP principal activity since reforming in November 2012 has been directed to updating these two documents into a single guideline. This will be focussed on practical aspects of treatment and refer to previous or other existing guidelines whenever possible.

Approval for the guideline has been obtained from the BCSH.

Final draft is now in preparation.

Future projects

National Haemophilia Database

A longer term aim is to review the way in which VWD is entered on the database and to review the problems with existing registration data: agreed with the Data Management Working Party on 4th October.

Angiodysplasia

The working party is also interested in developing a registry of patients with angiodysplasia and VWD with a view to establishing a research network.

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Chairman, von Willebrand Disease Working Party
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