



**The International Nomenclature Project
for Congenital Heart Disease
First Working Group Meeting**

Montreal, Canada

May 9-13, 2002

**Hotel Versailles Park Plaza, 1808 Sherbrooke St. West
*Bordeaux Room***

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SPECIAL GUEST

Anthony R.C. Dobell Professor Emeritus of Surgery,
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MEETING PARTICIPANTS

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Marie J. Béland *Montreal, Canada*
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Rodney Franklin *London, England*
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Program

THURSDAY, MAY 9th, 2002

- 12:00 Welcoming Lunch
- 13:00 Welcome and Review of Agenda and Mandate
Christo Tchervenkov, Montreal, Canada
- 13:10 STS / EACTS TREE, Background and Structure
Jeffrey Jacobs, St.Petersburg, USA
- 13:30 Practical Application of the STS-EACTS Nomenclature tree, Successes and Pitfalls
Bohdan Maruszewski, Warsaw, Poland
- 13:50 AEPC Codes, Background, Structure, and Application So Far
Rodney Franklin, London, England
- 14:10 The International Nomenclature Tree for Congenital Heart Disease: Work Accomplished, Problems Uncovered, Work in Progress
Marie J. Béland, Montreal, Canada
- 14:30 Computers and Coding Systems
Steve Colan, Boston, USA
- 14:50-15:10 BREAK
- 15:10 **General Discussion and Debate**
- THE WORKING GROUP**
- Composition
 - Structure
 - Goals
 - Funding
 - Mandate

HOW TO PROCEED

- Lessons learned from crossmapping the short lists

INTERNATIONAL TREE CHARACTERISTICS

- Base Terms
- Qualifiers
- Points of Entry

MECHANISM OF RESOLVING CONTROVERSY

ACCESS TO EXPERTS

- General cardiologists
- Pathologists
- Electrophysiologists
- Fetal Cardiologists
- Interventional Cardiologists
- Cardiovascular Surgeons

OTHER TOPICS

17:30 Adjournment

FRIDAY, MAY 10th, 2002

- 09:00-09:30
Maude Abbott – A pioneer of Congenital Heart Disease
Presentation of the Holmes Heart
Anthony R.C. Dobell, Professor Emeritus of Surgery, McGill University, Montreal, Canada
- 09:30-12:00
Discussion and debate: Structure and definitions (Conclusion of Thursday afternoon discussion)
- 12:00-13:00 LUNCH
- 13:00-17:00
Ventricular Septal Defect
Jeffrey Jacobs, St.Petersburg, USA
Steve Colan, Boston, USA

SATURDAY, MAY 11th, 2002

- 09:00-12:00
Atrial Septal Defect
Jeffrey Jacobs, St.Petersburg, USA
Marie Béland, Montreal, Canada
- 12:00-13:00 LUNCH
- 13:00-17:00
Atrioventricular Canal
Rodney Franklin, London, England
Bill Gaynor, Philadelphia, USA

SUNDAY, MAY 12th, 2002

- 09:00-12:00
Truncus arteriosus, Aortopulmonary window
Marie J. Béland, Montreal, Canada
Giovanni Stellin, Padova, Italy
- 12:00-13:00 LUNCH
- 13:00-17:00
Pulmonary venous abnormalities
Christo Tchervenkov, Montreal, Canada
Rodney Franklin, London, England

MONDAY, MAY 13th, 2002

- 09:00-12:00
Systemic venous abnormalities
Vera Aiello, Sao Paulo, Brazil
Bill Gaynor, Philadelphia, USA
- 12:00-13:00 LUNCH
- 13:00-17:00
Debriefing and Future Plans

PLEASE NOTE THAT TOPIC LEADERS ARE REQUESTED, IF POSSIBLE:

- to review definitions and existing classification systems of the assigned topics, and prepare a brief introductory 5-10 minute presentation summarizing these
 - 2 to identify controversial areas pertaining to the assigned topics prior to the meeting
 - 3 to review the entries pertaining to assigned topics listed on the long list of the STS-EACTS and the long list of the AEPC
 - 4 to evaluate the ease with which unified world tree generation/crossmapping can be done for assigned topics
 - 5 to lead the working group at the time of the meeting through the surgical terms and discuss a suitable EPCC equivalent
 - 6 Should it become evident during the meeting that outside expertise is required to solve particularly difficult differences in the two lists, the topic leaders will be assigned the duty to consult various experts and suggest a solution prior to the next meeting of the working group.
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