

Application for a Special Interest Group, NoSCoS

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Proposed Name of Special Interest Group	Neuropathic Pain
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Date and year of Constitutional meeting, <i>to be filled out by the NoSCoS board.</i>	
Main Purpose, Interest or Theme of Special Interest Group	The main purpose of this SIG is to advance the diagnosis and management of neuropathic pain following spinal cord injury from a biopsychosocial and interdisciplinary standpoint by, among others, improving our understanding of the underlying pathophysiological mechanisms and implementing standardized and evidence-based diagnostic and treatment approaches across the Nordic countries.
Core members of the Special Interest Group, and their Designations	<p><u>Core members with interest in board membership:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jan Rosner, MD, Neurologist and Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Danish Pain Research Center, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark jan.rosner@clin.au.dk 2. Tiina Rekand, MD, PhD, Senior Consultant and Professor, Spinal Cord Unit, Department of Neurology, Haukeland University Hospital, Bergen, Norway tiina.rekand@helse-bergen.no <p><u>Regular core members (alphabetically):</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Nanna B. Finnerup, MD, DrMedSc, Professor and Director, Danish Pain Research Center, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark finnerup@clin.au.dk 4. Rikke M. Hansen, MD, Consultant, Specialized Hospital for Polio and Accident Victims, Aarhus, Denmark rmh@specialhospitalet.dk 5. Sophie Lykkegaard Ravn, PhD, Psychologist and Head of Research, Specialized Hospital for Polio and Accident Victims, Copenhagen, Denmark, and Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark slr@specialhospitalet.dk 6. Anastasia Shulga, MD, PhD, Head of Department, Ward for Demanding Rehabilitation, Helsinki University Hospital, Helsinki, Finland anastasia.shulga@hus.fi 7. Ivan Sunara, MD, Pain Medicine Resident, Karolinska University Hospital, Stockholm, Sweden ivan.sunara@regionstockholm.se
Focus areas for your Special Interest Group over the next 2 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate information sharing and experience exchange on assessment and treatment of neuropathic pain across Nordic countries, including the exchange with existing SIGs such as the "Syringomyelia" SIG. • Establish standardized bedside assessment protocols to identify and monitor signs and symptoms associated with neuropathic pain, which can be used in clinical practice and for clinical trials. • Increase outreach efforts through educational initiatives and research dissemination such as collaborating with the "Joint

	<p>Nordic Program for SCI Professional Education," organizing workshops and symposia at national and international SCI or pain conferences.</p>
<p>Who can be a member of the Special Interest Group?</p>	<p>Our aim is to encourage participation and collaboration among professionals with different backgrounds and expertise in this area. For this reason, we welcome applications from a diverse range of specialties, including for example physicians, nurses, psychologists, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, and translational scientists, who are interested in the diagnosis, pathophysiology, and interdisciplinary management of neuropathic pain in individuals with spinal cord injuries.</p>
<p>Form filled in by: Jan Rosner with the agreement of all the members mentioned in the form.</p>	