The Clinical TMS Society
Research Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 20, 2026 @ 3pm ET / 2pm CT / 1pm MT / 12pm PT (US)
4pm (Brazil)
10pm (Greece)
Thursday, May 21, 2026 @ 5am (Australia)
Via Zoom

Research Committee Roll Call | Attended ☒ | Did Not Attend ☐ |

Co-Chair	Shan Siddiqi, MD	☐	Co-Chair	Nicholas Trapp, MD	☐
Member	Mehmet Dokucu, MD, DFAPA, PhD	☒	Member	David Dunner, MD	☒
Member	Eric Goldwaser, DO, PhD	☒	Member	Gerasimos Konstantinou, MD, MSc	☒
Member	Andrew Kozel, MD	☒	Member	Roger Pottanat, MD	☐
Member	Andrew Smith, MD, PhD	☒	Member	Subramanian Subha, MD	☐
Member	John Tumeh, MD	☐	Member	Daphne Voineskos, MD, PhD, FRCPC	☒
Non-Voting Member	Bhavani Kashyap, MD, MBBS	☒	Non-Voting Member	Izio Klein, MD	☐
Non-Voting Member	Theodoros Koutsomitros, MD	☐	Non-Voting Member	Lindsay Oberman, PhD	☐
Non-Voting Member	Sean O'Sullivan, MD, PhD	☐	Non-Voting Member	Sabrina Segal, PhD	☒
Non-Voting Member	Fatma Wafy, MBBCh, MSc	☐	Non-Voting Member	Charles Weber, DO	☐
President	Joshua Brown, MD, PhD	☒	Vice President	Tracy Barbour, MD	☒

Guests & Staff
Staff: None
Guests: None

Dr. Brown called the meeting to order at 3:11 pm (ET)

Review April Meeting Minutes for approval – The Committee reviewed the minutes.

There was a motion to approve the April minutes, Seconded, Approved.

Committee Announcement

- The Research Committee's in-person meeting at the Annual Meeting will take place on Friday, June 5, from 12:00-1:00pm Eastern Time in the Great Republic room on the 7th floor.
    - All attendees are asked to bring a laptop to the meeting.
    - Calendar invitations were sent to all Committee Members.

Unfinished Business

- **Membership survey at the Annual Meeting**
    - No formal update was provided on the membership survey or distribution plan.

- Committee agreed the responsibility remains with Dr. Siddiqi to finalize the survey and distribution logistics before the Annual Meeting.

Action – PMG staff were asked to follow up persistently with Dr. Siddiqi regarding completion.

- **Committee Goals for 2026-27**
  - The Committee revisited the goal discussion from the last meeting.
    - Travel awards and funding for poster presenters.
      - Discussed developing travel awards focused on trainees, junior faculty, and international participants to increase engagement and attendance.
        - Coordinate across Education and Annual Meeting Committees.
        - Potential future budget flexibility as society finances improve.

There was a motion to include this as a 2026-27 SMART goal, Seconded, Approved.

There was a motion to form a cross-committee task force at the next meeting with the Education and Annual Meeting Committees, tasked with developing award and funding criteria, Seconded, Approved.

- CTMSS Journal: Maintain a diverse and high-quality level in submissions.
  - Committee agreed to expand the goal to create measurable tracking of scientific and geographic diversity in journal submissions and publications.
    - Tracked areas include:
      - Categorize articles by topic area.
      - Review geographic representation.
      - Identify underrepresented scientific domains.
      - Use findings to inform special issues, speaker invitations, and outreach.

There was a motion to expand the goal to say: Generate quantifiable and tabulated information that can assess the scientific diversity, as well as the geographic diversity with the help of Elsevier, to identify areas of increased need, Seconded, Approved.

- Annual Meeting Abstracts goal of 100 submissions.
  - Increase goal to 110 submissions.
  - Committee agreed to continue this goal in 2026-27 and develop targeted promotional materials towards trainees, fellowship/residency programs.

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There was a motion to increase the submission goal to 110, Seconded, Approved.

- Support of the Brain Stimulation Fellowship.
  - Committee agreed support is premature, pending accreditation process.

- **SOP for symposia submissions for 2027 conference.**
  - Committee reviewed the revised SOP for symposia submissions.
  - Clarified that scoring criteria are intended to be cumulative.
  - The SOP does not require additional approval from the Executive Committee.

There was a motion to approve the latest version of the SOP, Seconded, Approved.

New Business

- No new business

Task Force, Sub-Committee, and other updates

- **OCD white paper review** *[Dr. Smith, Dr. Barbour, and Dr. Goldwaser]*
  - Deferred to next meeting.

- **List of grants, awards, and scholarships** *[Dr. Kashyap]*
  - SOP and dashboard document were completed and sent to the Committee for feedback.

Action – Members were asked to review the materials and provide comments before the next meeting.

- **Journal Club Sub-Committee** *[Dr. Goldwaser and Dr. Dokucu]*
  - No updates.

- **Standardized Annual Survey Task Force** *[Dr. Siddiqi, Dr. Trapp]*
  - See unfinished business.

- **Pediatric TMS Sub-Committee** *[Dr. Oberman, Dr. Pottanat]*
  - No updates.

- **Annual Meeting Abstracts Task Force** *[Dr. Dokucu, Dr. Goldwaser, Dr. Smith, Dr. Kashyap, and Dr. Tumeh]*
  - No updates.

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- **Symposia at the Annual Meeting** *[Dr. Dokucu]*
  - See unfinished business.

- **CTMSS Journal update** *[Dr. Brown]*
  - Strong external feedback regarding journal quality and rigor.
  - Scopus indexing achieved.
  - PubMed indexing expected during summer 2026.
  - Approximately 120,000 article views recorded in the past year.

Next Zoom meeting: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 @ 3pm ET / 2pm CT / 1pm MT / 12pm PT / 4pm Brazil / 10pm Greece and Thursday, July 16, 2026 @ 5am Australia

Adjournment- Dr. Brown adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm (ET)

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