The Clinical TMS Society

Research Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 15, 2026 @ 3pm ET / 2pm CT / 1pm MT / 12pm PT (US)
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- **Committee Description:** The Research Committee shall work to review current and past applicable research to keep the Society members informed of new research developments.
- **Members are reminded to disclose any changes in Conflict of Interest (COI) information since the most recent disclosure and follow all COI policies.** **Disclosure Form**
- **At this time, we kindly request that committee members refrain from using AI notetakers during calls until: 1) the CTMSS Executive Committee has the chance to address the broader issues related to AI usage (including security, privacy, and data access by third parties), and 2) Parthenon completes its review of GDPR compliance and overall security measures.**
- **Committee Co-Chairs:** Please use this link to submit documents to the Executive Committee or the Board of Directors for approval and/or to submit items for publication approval in the Journal, website, social media, newsletter, or email: **Committee Submission Form**

Clinical Standards Committee Roll Call | Attended ☒ | Did Not Attend ☐

Co-Chair	Andrew Kozel, MD, MSCR, DFAPA, FCTMSS	☒	Co-Chair	Nicholas Trapp, MD	☒
Member	Mehmet Dokucu, PhD, MD, DFAPA	☒	Member	Eric Goldwaser, DO, PhD	☐
Member	Bhavani Kashyap, MD, MBBS	☒	Member	Gerasimos Konstantinou, MD, MSc	☒
Member	Linday Oberman, MD, PhD	☒	Member	Sabrina Segal, PhD	☒
Member	Andrew Smith, MD, PhD	☒	Member	Subha Subramanian, MD	☒
Member	John Tumeh, MD	☐	Member	Daphne Voineskos, MD, PhD, FRCPC	☐
Non-Voting Member	Oluremi Adefolarin, MBBS, FRCPsych, FRCPC	☒	Non-Voting Member	Andrew Aubin, MD	☐
Non-Voting Member	Izio Klein, MD	☒	Non-Voting Member	Theodoros Koutsomitros, MD	☐
Non-Voting Member	Scott McMahon, MS	☒	Non-Voting Member	Heather Ward, MD	☒
President/ Ex-officio	Tracy Barbour, MD	☒	VP/President Elect	Christina Hughes, MD, FCTMSS	☒

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I. **Call to Order / Establish Quorum**
   a. Number of voting committee members: 12
   b. Number of voting members needed for quorum: 7
   c. Introductions/Welcome new members

II. **Review meeting minutes**
   a. May 20, 2026 meeting minutes ***(Attachment #1)***

Motion to approve: Subha, **seconded by** Nick, **vote:** approved unanimously

III. **Unfinished Business**

a. Research Grants Dashboard

Bhavani Kashyap provided an update

- Creation of an online resource listing grants, scholarships, and funding opportunities.
- Development of an accompanying Standard Operating Procedure (SOP).
- Determination of where the dashboard will ultimately reside.
- Need for committee review before implementation.

The committee agreed the SOP should be redistributed to all members, particularly new committee members, for review prior to discussion at the next meeting. Amy Baxmann requested inclusion on the distribution so the document can be attached to future agendas.
ACTION: Resend the grants/scholarship dashboard SOP and include Amy Baxmann.

b. Survey Priorities

- Insurance and policy advocacy, including coverage for new indications and more equitable access.
- Standardization of clinical protocols and review of the supporting evidence.
- Advanced TMS education and master classes.
- Expansion of research-grant opportunities and improved visibility of available funding.
- International outreach and broader engagement outside the United States.

The committee recognized that several priorities cross committee boundaries. Christina Hughes reported that the Training Committee is already developing a general TMS master class targeted for June 2027, immediately before the annual meeting. The planned course may be

four hours or a full day and is expected to move advanced material out of the introductory PULSES program while adding topics such as advanced neuronavigation, paired-pulse TMS, and recent developments.
Tracy Barbour suggested reporting back to members—potentially through a newsletter or at the next annual meeting—to demonstrate how survey feedback is being acted upon. The full survey results were distributed to committee members for later review.

IV. New Business

a. Review approved committee goals 26-27

Increase Symposium and Poster Abstract Submissions
The committee discussed the successful launch of symposia during the 2026 Annual Meeting.
Feedback included:

- Strong attendance.
- High-quality presentations.
- Several sessions reached room capacity.
- Positive attendee engagement.

Recommendations for future meetings included:

- Larger rooms for popular topics.
- Longer symposium sessions.
- Fewer concurrent sessions.
- Repeat presentations of high-demand content.
- Conversion of highly rated symposium presentations into Grand Rounds.

Members agreed to continue collaborating closely with the Annual Meeting Committee regarding future symposium planning.

Annual Meeting Recordings
The committee discussed recurring requests for recorded symposium presentations and virtual attendance options.
Discussion included:

- High audiovisual production costs.
- Protection of copyrighted educational content.
- Potential virtual registration options.
- Limited recording of selected presentations.
- Recording only high-demand sessions.

- Offering symposium presentations later through Grand Rounds.

ACTION: Compile annual-meeting delivery options (virtual, selected recordings, repeats, longer sessions) for PMG costing and feasibility review.

Symposium & Poster Review SOP

The committee reviewed progress toward implementation of the standardized symposium and poster review process.

Discussion focused on:

- Greater transparency of review criteria.
- Making evaluation standards available to prospective applicants.
- Sharing the approved SOP with new committee members.
- Reviewing whether portions of the SOP should become publicly available.

ACTION: SOP attached to next meeting agenda. The committee agreed to revisit the SOP at the next meeting after members have had an opportunity to review the current document.

ACTION: Bring symposium access/recording options to the Annual Meeting Committee.

Annual Meeting Surveys

The committee reviewed its role in overseeing Society survey activities.

Discussion included:

- Coordinating Annual Meeting survey questions.
- Preventing multiple competing Society surveys.
- Reviewing research survey requests before distribution.
- Managing IRB-related surveys and data-sharing considerations.

ACTION: The co-chairs will identify one or more committee members to help curate and review annual-meeting survey questions.

ACTION: Christina Hughes and Tracy Barbour recommended submitting a formal request through the Committee Submission Form for review by the LBE Committee for a potential revision of Society Policies & Procedures to designate the Research Committee as the centralized review committee for Society surveys.

Journal Club

The committee reviewed progress of the Journal Club initiative.

Current status included:

- Regular presentations highlighting articles from the *Journal of Clinical TMS*.
- Attendance ranging from approximately 30–60 participants.

- Strong member participation.
- Upcoming presentation by Juliana Collier (UCLA).

Discussion focused on:

- Increasing marketing efforts.
- Developing a predictable meeting schedule.
- Providing PMG with at least 30 days' notice for promotional activities.
- Members should send recommended TMS Journal articles to Mehmet Dokucu, Nicholas Trapp, or Andrew Kozel

ACTION: Create a formal Journal Club SOP to improve consistency and planning

b. **Annual Meeting Survey Results**

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c. **Advanced TMS Masterclass**

Christina Hughes provided an update regarding development of a comprehensive TMS Masterclass being led through the Training Committee.

The course is expected to launch in conjunction with the 2027 Annual Meeting and will include:

- Updates on emerging evidence
- Advanced neuronavigation
- Paired-pulse TMS
- Advanced neuropsychiatric applications

- Content beyond the introductory PULSES curriculum

Committee members expressed support and noted opportunities for future collaboration in content development

d. **Research Funding Opportunities**

The committee discussed expanding awareness of research funding opportunities through:

- Enhanced grant resource listings
- Industry partnerships
- FACTMS research grants
- International funding opportunities

Members agreed the Research Grants Dashboard aligns well with these strategic priorities.

V. Task Force, Sub-Committee, and Other Project Updates

a. Finalize any task forces and sub-committee's chairs, members and goals to report to the EC. Reminder that PMG does not support these meetings so any minutes or virtual call planning should be initiated by the Chair.

- Task-force assignments were not finalized. The co-chairs identified three areas where additional member participation may be needed:
  - Symposium and poster solicitation and review.
  - Journal Club planning and article selection.
  - Annual meeting survey question review and curation

VI. **Next Zoom Meeting:** Wednesday, August 19, 2026 @ 3pm ET / 2pm CT / 1pm MT / 12pm PT / 4pm Brazil / 10pm Greece and Thursday, August 20, 2026 @ 5am Australia

ACTION: Verify recurring meeting invitations and add anyone missing.

VII. Adjourn Meeting

2026-2027 Committee Goals:

1. Increase abstract submissions for symposia at the annual meeting. Determine with Annual Meeting Committee agenda/space/time based on meeting location.

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2. Create SOP for symposia and poster review process, define deadlines by October 1, 2026.
3. Solicit and oversee questions to include for the annual meeting survey, coordinating final determinations with the annual meeting committee. Update P&P as needed.
4. Host and maintain journal club including selection of articles for journal club and inviting speakers. Pursue engaging a larger audience, international participation, advertising and marketing membership benefits.