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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 Member Expectations:** All committee members are expected to:
  - Actively participate in at least one committee project or subcommittee.
  - Review the agenda and all associated attachments before the meeting so meeting time can focus on discussion and decisions.
  - Have the agenda packet readily available during the meeting for reference.
  - Understand that subcommittees and task forces should attempt to complete project work between meetings. The full committee will review and refine the resulting work products.

- **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**

Research Committee Roll Call | Attended: X | Did Not Attend: blank

Co-Chair	Andrew Kozel, MD, MSCR, DFAPA, FCTMSS	X	Co-Chair	Nicholas Trapp, MD	
Member	Mehmet Dokucu, PhD, MD, DFAPA	X	Member	Eric Goldwaser, DO, PhD	X
Member	Bhavani Kashyap, MD, MBBS	X	Member	Gerasimos Konstantinou, MD, MSc	X

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Member	Lindsay Oberman, MD, PhD	X	Member	Sabrina Segal, PhD	
Member	Andrew Smith, MD, PhD	X	Member	Subha Subramanian, MD	X
Member	John Tumeh, MD	X*	Member	Daphne Voineskos, MD, PhD, FRCPC	X
Non-Voting Member	Oluremi Adefolarin, MBBS, FRCPsych, FRCPC	X	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	X
President/ Ex-officio	Tracy Barbour, MD		VP/President Elect	Christina Hughes, MD, FCTMSS	

***** Project assignments updated following October 21 meeting *****

Attendance note: "John" is listed in Zoom; identification as John Tumeh requires confirmation. Staff: Janell Roedl (Clinical TMS Society).

Gerasimos Konstantinou reported a temporary patient-care absence in chat. Attendance marks indicate participation, not presence for every vote.

Member	Assigned Tasks
Andrew Kozel, MD, MSCR	Co-Chair, Abstract Review
Nicholas Trapp, MD	Co-Chair; Symposia/poster SOP follow-up (confirmation pending)
Mehmet Dokucu, PhD, MD, DFAPA	Annual meeting survey questions and SOP (co-lead), Abstract Review, Journal Club planning
Eric Goldwaser, DO, PhD	Abstract Review, Journal Club & SOP (lead)
Bhavani Kashyap, MD, MBBS	Research Grants Dashboard and SOP (lead), Abstract Review, Annual Meeting speaker and topic recommendations (point of contact)
Gerasimos Konstantinou, MD, MSc	
Lindsay Oberman, MD, PhD	Child and Adolescent TMS project
Sabrina Segal, PhD	
Andrew Smith, MD, PhD	Monitor abstract submissions (point person), Abstract Review, Joint CTMSS/International OCD Foundation project

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Subha Subramanian, MD	Annual meeting survey questions and SOP (co-lead), November Member Minute
John Tumeh, MD	Abstract Review
Daphne Voineskos, MD, PhD, FRCPC	

M&O collaborators for Annual Meeting survey: Ken Goolsby and Nick Mischel.

I. Call to Order / Establish Quorum

a. Number of voting committee members: 12
b. Number of voting members needed for quorum: 7

Andrew Kozel called the meeting to order after confirming seven voting members present and a quorum. Nicholas Trapp was unable to attend.

II. Review meeting minutes

a. September 16, 2026 meeting minutes ***(Attachment #1)***

Mehmet Dokucu moved to approve the September 16, 2026 minutes; Heather Ward seconded. Approved with all others present in favor and Andrew Kozel abstaining because he had not attended the September meeting.

III. Unfinished Business

a. **Research Grants Dashboard :** Bhavani Kashyap ***(Attachment #2)***

Bhavani Kashyap moved to approve the Research Grants Dashboard SOP; Heather Ward seconded. The motion passed with all present in favor and no opposition or abstentions. The approved SOP will be submitted to the Executive Committee (EC).

Staff reported that the EC had approved posting the dashboard on the new website planned for December. The grant listings had last been refreshed in April and still needed updating.

ACTION: Bhavani will refresh the listings, add FACTMS grant opportunities, and bring the update to the November 18 meeting. Staff will ask Amy about automated six-month review reminders and report back. Interim access and promotion timing remain open.

b. **Survey Ideas – Review priorities for survey development**

Discussion of survey priorities was deferred; the following topics remain forconsideration:

- 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.

c. **Joint CTMSS and International OCD Foundation** – Andrew Smith

Andrew Smith reported that topic presentations were complete, including Daphne Voineskos's final presentation in October. Contributors aim to complete their sections for a full draft in November, then meet to resolve remaining controversies, including targeting when diagnoses overlap.

The task force will make initial inquiries to general psychiatry journals; the Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation journal remains an option. No journal was selected. The previously outlined committee and leadership review pathway remains pending.

d. **Child and Adolescent TMS project** – Lindsay Oberman

Lindsay Oberman reported limited response to the prior Annual Meeting survey. The group plans a symposium submission and is contacting private clinics to examine pediatric/adolescent indications, protocols, and outcomes. Additional outreach is planned at the upcoming child and adolescent psychiatry meeting.

She described work with Phoenix Children's Hospital on a clinical/research TMS program and possible child/adolescent-focused training. The hospital is seeking a medical director; interested contacts may reach out to Lindsay.

e. **External speaking engagements** – Members to report upcoming TMS-related presentations for M&O coordination.

Staff suggested the Committee Submission Form as a possible reporting route.

ACTION: Janell will clarify the purpose and process with Amy and report back. The September M&O request to identify members presenting TMS-related work remains open.

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f. **LBE Statement Audit** ***(Attachment #3)*** – Review deferred from September.
Andrew Kozel reviewed the Research Committee web page, noting a neuromodulation chart dated October 2022 and posted minutes only through April 2026. Members will review the chart and consider additional useful resources at the next meeting; the audit was not completed.
ACTION: Staff will update posted minutes. The Neuromodulation Chart will be included in next month's packet to review and determine fate.

g. **A shared Research Committee directory** for collaborative project work is in development; interested members may contact the co-chairs to help plan access and organization.

IV. New Business

a. **Newsletter**

Member Minute: Subha Subramanian agreed to be the November Member Minute participant. She will answer the four questions and upload a headshot through the Committee Submission Form. The agenda lists November 2 as the submission deadline. Completed until next cycle.

Committee Corner is a separate, optional monthly update of approximately 100 words, due the first Monday of the month. The finalized grants dashboard and instructions for accessing it were suggested as future content; no submission was finalized.

b. **Evaluate committee description**

Committee Description: The Research Committee shall work to review current and past applicable research to keep the Society members informed of new research developments.

No approval vote was taken. The website description differs from the description used on the agenda.
ACTION: Staff will include both versions in the November packet for comparison and possible revision, with any proposed change prepared for the December Board vote.

c. **Research consulting proposal**

Bhavani revisited the idea of grant review and expert feedback. Lindsay offered to help clinicians with grants, data analysis, and manuscripts, particularly in pediatric TMS. An

informal "sit with a researcher" lunch table at the Annual Meeting was suggested. Members will consider the scope and format for discussion and a possible vote in November; no service was approved.

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

Members were asked to check the project-assignment list and email both co-chairs with corrections or interests in additional projects.

- Symposium and poster solicitation and review
    1. **Confirmed abstract reviewers:** Andrew Kozel, Mehmet Dokucu, Eric Goldwaser, Bhavani Kashyap, Andrew Smith, and John Tumeh. Bhavani confirmed her participation.
- Journal Club planning and article selection: Eric Goldwaser and Mehmet Dokucu; update below.
- Annual Meeting survey question review and curation: Subha Subramanian and Mehmet Dokucu; update below.

a. Monitor abstract submissions – Andrew Smith
- Andrew Smith will share the call through his social media. Members noted increasing submissions and potential growth from the journal. The committee agreed to monitor submission trends at relevant points in the cycle rather than discuss active recruitment every month. Coordination with Annual Meeting capacity remains necessary.

b. Symposia and poster SOP – EC submission follow-up
- The September minutes described the SOP work as complete, but the location and EC submission status of the final poster and symposium documents were unclear. Andrew Kozel identified Nicholas Trapp for follow-up while he was absent; confirmation is needed.
- **ACTION**: Staff will check with Amy for the final documents and their EC status, including whether a separate symposium SOP exists. Staff will also obtain the poster and symposium submission deadlines for the minutes/next packet; dates were not stated during the meeting.

c. Annual Meeting survey – Subha Subramanian and Mehmet Dokucu

- Subha had not yet coordinated with Mehmet and will email him after the meeting to develop the process and timeline and reach out to other committees. Ken Goolsby and Nick Mischel remain the previously identified M&O collaborators; their participation was not reconfirmed.

d. Journal Club and SOP – Mehmet Dokucu / Eric Goldwaser

- Jonathan Downar will present the ONE-BD paper on Tuesday, November 10, at 12 p.m.: "Real-world effectiveness of a single-day course of transcranial magnetic stimulation using an Optimized, Neuroplasticity-Enhanced regimen in Bipolar Depression." Eric expects to lead this session; Mehmet's role in the next session remains to be confirmed.
- Eric reported that a Journal Club SOP had been prepared with Mehmet and Josh's input more than a year ago, but its location and approval status were unknown.
  ACTION: Staff will locate it and send it to Eric for any updates; if not formally approved, bring it to the next committee meeting for review.

e. Annual meeting speaker and topic recommendations: Chair: Bhavani Kashyap

- Bhavani reported one speaker acceptance and other invitations pending. Accelerated TMS and neuroplasticity are leading themes. Members may send additional speaker/topic suggestions to Bhavani for Annual Meeting Committee consideration; prior OCD and pediatric/adolescent suggestions remain part of that planning.
- Mehmet reported that symposia were increased to 90 minutes and plenaries retained at 45 minutes. Members recalled eight breakout sessions, with two reserved for committee-selected topics and six for submitted symposia; final slot counts need confirmation for reviewers. More poster space is expected than last year.

VI. **Task Tracker – Will discuss next meeting if adds value or is redundant**

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Confirm project assignments	All members / Co-Chairs	Next meeting	Email additions/corrections; confirm Nicholas Trapp's SOP follow-up	Open
Research Grants Dashboard document shared	Bhavani Kashyap	September 16	Completed milestone; listings refresh tracked below	Yes
Dashboard website approval / posting	Co-Chairs / Staff	EC approval reported Oct 21	Post with December website launch; confirm interim access and promotion	SOP Approval only
Submit approved dashboard SOP to EC	Co-Chairs / Staff	After October 21 approval	Submit approved SOP; confirm EC decision	Open
Refresh grants; add FACTMS	Bhavani Kashyap	November 18	Rerun search; retain prior consideration of award size and career stage fields	Open
Automated six-month dashboard reviews	Janell / Amy	Report back	Confirm reminder mechanism and assigned reviewer	Open
Website traffic metrics	CTMSS Staff	With new website	Prior action retained; no update on tracking availability	Open
Survey feedback report	Owner not confirmed	Not set	Prior action retained; clarify scope with survey leads	Open
Annual Meeting survey SOP / timeline	Subha / Mehmet	Next meeting	Coordinate by email; reach out to committees; confirm Ken Goolsby and Nick Mischel	Open
Monitor abstract/symposium submissions	Andrew Smith / Review team	Relevant submission periods	Share call; compare trends and capacity; no monthly standing discussion needed	Ongoing

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Confirm abstract reviewers	Co-Chairs	October 21	Kozel, Dokucu, Goldwaser, Kashyap, Smith, Tumeh confirmed	Yes
Find final poster/symposium SOPs	Janell / Amy; Nicholas Trapp (confirm)	Next meeting	Check EC submission/approval; locate symposium document	Open
Confirm submission deadlines / slots	Staff / Annual Meeting liaisons	Next packet	Add poster/symposium due dates and final symposium slot count	Open
Future symposium planning / topic suggestions	All members / Bhavani / Mehmet	Ongoing	Coordinate OCD/pediatric topics and capacity; verify speaker invitation list	Open
November Journal Club	Eric / Journal Club team	November 10	Jonathan Downar confirmed; Eric expects to lead	Scheduled
Locate / review Journal Club SOP	Staff / Eric	Next meeting	Find prior version and approval history; update and circulate if needed	Open
Prior Michelle Madore follow-up	Journal Club team	October plan superseded	November Downar session now scheduled; no Madore outcome reported	Superseded
November Member Minute	Subha Subramanian	November 2 (agenda)	Submit four answers and headshot through form	Open
Committee Corner submission	Co-Chairs / Bhavani	First Monday, when ready	Optional 100-word update; dashboard after finalization	Open
External speaker reminder / reporting	Janell / Amy	Report back	Reminder added to agenda; clarify purpose and reporting route	Reminder done

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Statement audit / website resources	Full Committee	November 18	Review 2022 chart and suggest additional content	Open
Update website meeting minutes	CTMSS Staff	Follow-up	Post more recent approved minutes; latest observed was April 2026	Open
Compare committee descriptions	Staff / Full Committee	November; Board in December	Include agenda and website versions; no October approval	Open
Joint CTMSS/IOCDF manuscript	Andrew Smith / Task force	November	Complete draft; resolve controversies; journal inquiries; retain review pathway	Open
Child/adolescent TMS project	Lindsay / Task force	Ongoing	Plan symposium; clinic data outreach and training collaboration	Open
Research consulting proposal	Full Committee; Lindsay interested	November 18	Consider grants/data/manuscripts and lunch-table format; possible vote	Open
Attendance monitoring	Janell / Co-Chairs	Ongoing	Alert co-chairs to nonattendance; confirm Zoom participant “John”	Open
Annual Meeting Recording Chair item	Committee	Removed in September	Outside current committee scope; retained as closed record	Yes

VII. **Next Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, Nov 18, 2026 @ 3pm ET / 2pm CT / 1pm MT / 12pm PT / 5pm Brazil (Brasília) / 10pm Greece and Thursday, Nov 19, 2026 @ 7am Sydney/Melbourne**

VIII. Adjourn Meeting

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A motion to adjourn was made and seconded, and the meeting adjourned following a vote in favor. The recording does not clearly establish the mover, seconder, or clock time.

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.
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.