

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## Medical Technologies Advisory Committee (MTAC)

### 68<sup>th</sup> MTAC Meeting – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Level1A City Tower, Piccadilly Plaza, Manchester M1 4BT

**Committee members  
present:**

Dr Peter Groves (Chair)  
Dr Fiona Denison (Vice-chair)  
Ms Susan Bennett  
Mr Mike Burrows  
Professor Daniel Clark  
Mr Steven Fearn  
Professor Tony Freemont  
Professor Shaheen Hamdy  
Dr Cynthia Iglesias  
Professor Mohammad Ilyas  
Professor Eva Kaltenthaler  
Dr Paul Knox  
Dr Avril McCarthy  
Professor Rory O'Connor  
Mr Andrew Thorpe  
Professor Allan Wailoo  
Mr John Wilkinson  
Mr Alun Williams

**Committee member  
apologies:**

Mr Matthew Campbell – Hill  
Dr Greg Irving  
Dr Jai Patel  
Mr Brian Selman  
Dr Amber Young

**Medical Technologies  
Evaluation Programme  
staff in attendance:**

Mirella Marlow, Programme Director  
Sheryl Warttig, Technical Adviser  
Paul Dimmock, Senior Technical Analyst  
Jo Higgins, Senior Technical Analyst  
Kimberley Carter, Technical Analyst  
Liesl Millar, Technical Analyst  
Abigail Stevenson, Technical Analyst  
Jae Long, Project Manager  
Izabela Syrek, Administrator

**Expert Advisers in  
attendance:**

Mr Sunil Ohri, Consultant Cardiac Surgeon, University  
Hospital Southampton, University Hospital Southampton NHS  
Foundation Trust - **via phone**

Mr Joseph Zacharias, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon and Clinical Director, Lancashire Cardiac Centre, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust - **via phone**

Ms Jacqui Dorney, UK Specialist Services Lead at GenesisCare, Genesis Cancer Care UK Limited - **via phone**

Dr Richard Shaffer, Consultant Clinical Oncologist, Royal Surrey County Hospital, Royal Surrey County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust - **via phone**

Ms Liz Simcock, Lead Clinical Nurse Specialist for Central Venous Access, University College Hospital, University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust – **in person**

**Observers in attendance:**

Alexa Forrester, Medical Technology Implementation Manager, Adoption team, NICE

Elaine Chesworth, Medical Technology Implementation Manager, Adoption team, NICE

Eva Barkauskaite, Technical Analyst, Scientific Advice team, NICE

Kevin Harris, Programme Director and Clinical Adviser, Interventional Procedures and Observational Data Unit, NICE

Ian Mather, Business Analyst, Resource Impact Assessment team, NICE

Jane Lynn, Business Analyst, Resource Impact Assessment team, NICE

Lydia Shears, Public Involvement Adviser, Public Involvement team, NICE

Thomas Walker, Senior Technical Analyst, Diagnostics Assessment team, NICE

**10:00 – Part 2 closed session commenced**

**1. Introduction to the meeting**

The chairman welcomed all members of the committee and other attendees present to the meeting.

**2. Any other business**

No other business was offered.

### **3. Minutes of previous meeting**

The committee deferred agreement of the minutes from the 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017 committee meeting. The chairman confirmed that the minutes of that meeting would be circulated for confirmation via email to members of the committee as soon as they are available.

### **4. MT326 The VEST external stent for coronary artery bypass grafts**

The chairman welcomed the invited experts to the meeting.

The chairman asked all committee members, experts, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.

- Mr Steven Fearn declared a specific personal financial interest as he is employed by St Jude Medical who produce a competitor product to the technology being considered.
  - It was agreed that his declaration would prevent Mr Fearn from participating in this section of the meeting and he was asked to leave the room.

No further conflicts of interest were declared for the technology.

The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology.

The topic was introduced by Prof Rory O'Connor with Mr Sunil Ohri and Mr Joseph Zacharias providing expert advice.

The committee then considered the technology for selection and routing. The selection and routing decision was reached by consensus.

### **5. MT328 AlignRT for intracranial stereotactic radiosurgery of metastatic malignancy**

The chairman welcomed the invited experts to the meeting.

The chairman asked all committee members, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.

- Dr Richard Shaffer declared a specific financial interest as he received paid consultancy work from sponsor/manufacturer for this technology. Dr Shaffer attended and contributed to company annual strategy discussions in 2017, held over a period of two days and he was paid for that but has not been paid before or after by the company, and have no ongoing agreements with the company.
  - It was agreed that his declaration would not prevent Dr Shaffer from participating in this section of the meeting.

No further conflicts of interest were declared for the technology.

The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology.

The topic was introduced by Prof Mohammad Ilyas with Ms Jacqui Dorney and Dr Richard Shaffer providing expert advice.

The committee then considered the technology for selection and routing. The selection and routing decision was reached by consensus.

## **6. MT308 EpiFix for chronic wounds**

The chairman asked all committee members, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.

No conflicts of interest were declared for the technology.

The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology.

The topic was introduced by Mr Alun Williams with expert advice provided in advance of the meeting.

The committee then considered the technology for selection and routing. The selection and routing decision was reached by consensus.

**13:00 – Part 2 closed session ended**

**13:00 – 13:30 – Lunch**

**13:30 – Part 1 open session commenced (company representatives, EAC representatives, Experts and members of the public invited into the meeting).**

## **7. MT291 SecurAcath for securing percutaneous catheters - final guidance recommendations**

The chairman asked all committee members, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.

- Ms Liz Simcock declared a specific personal financial interest and a non-personal interest. She is an adviser to the RCOA and NICE and has presented at both the World Congress of Vascular Access (WoCoVA) in 2014 and at the Gli Accessi Venosi Centrali a Lungo Termine (GAVeCeLT) in 2014. Ms Simcock also ran a skills station at GAVeCeTL on SecurAcath which was sponsored by SEDA who distribute the product in Italy. The manufacturer of the product being considered contributed to Ms Simcock's expenses for the workshop.

- It was agreed that her declaration would not prevent Ms Simcock from acting as an Expert Adviser to the committee.

No further conflicts of interest were declared for the technology.

The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology.

The topic was introduced by Dr Cynthia Iglesias with Ms Liz Simcock providing expert advice.

**14:30 – Part 2 closed session commenced (company representatives, EAC representatives, Expert and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting).**

The committee then proposed final recommendations on the technology and these recommendations were reached by consensus.

#### **8. MT330 Senza Spinal Cord Stimulation (SCS) System for managing chronic pain**

The chairman asked all committee members, NICE staff and observers to declare any relevant interests in relation to the technology being considered.

- Mr Steven Fearn declared a specific personal financial interest as he is employed by St Jude Medical who produce a competitor product to the technology being considered.
  - It was agreed that his declaration would prevent Mr Fearn from participating in this section of the meeting and he was asked to leave the room.
- Dr Cynthia Iglesias declared a specific personal financial interest as she provided advice on a consultancy basis to Mainstay on their ReActive 8 product in 2015 and early 2016.
  - It was agreed that her declaration would prevent Dr Iglesias from participating in this section of the meeting and she was asked to leave the room.
- Mr Andrew Thorpe declared a non-specific personal financial interest as he had an educational grant from Medtronic to attend a meeting on Neuromodulation.
  - It was agreed that his declaration would not prevent Mr Thorpe from participating in this section of the meeting.

No further conflicts of interest were declared for the technology.

The committee was asked if there were any specific equality issues to consider in relation to the technology.

The topic was introduced by Prof Daniel Clark with expert advice provided in advance of the meeting.

The committee then considered the technology for selection and routing. The selection and routing decision was reached by consensus.

**9. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting of the Medical Technologies Advisory Committee will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and will start promptly at 10:00am. The meeting will be held at the NICE Manchester offices, Level 1A City Tower, Piccadilly Plaza, Manchester M1 4BT.

**15:15 – Meeting ended**