

BRITISH TRANSPLANTATION SOCIETY

Minutes

of the Inaugural Meeting held at the Royal Free Hospital on April 12, 1972.

About 80 persons attended.

1. Sir Peter Medawar was invited to take the Chair.
2. A brief account of the events leading up to the Inaugural Meeting was given by L. Brent. The membership of the committees involved had been as follows.

Ad hoc committee set up by members of the British Society for Immunology:

A.D. Barnes, L. Brent, R.Y. Calne, D.A.L. Davies, H. Festenstein and J. Hopewell.

Steering Committee: the above plus J.R. Batchelor, A.J.S. Davies, E.M. Lance, P.B. Medawar (Chairman), J.P. Moorhead, M.G. Mcgeown, S. Peart, D.E. Pegg, K.A. Porter, J. Salaman, R. Shackman, R.A. Sells, M.F.A. Woodruff, G.L. Asherson and J.L. Turk (the last two as representatives of the B.S.I.)

Constitutional Committee: members of the ad hoc committee plus J.R. Batchelor, J.P. Moorhead, and D.E. Pegg. Chairman: J. Hopewell; Secretary: L. Brent. This committee was established by the Steering Committee.

3. The draft Constitution as drawn up by the Constitutional Committee was introduced by J. Hopewell. Several amendments were discussed at length and voted against, the most important of them being concerned with the question of whether the Society should, from its inception, be affiliated to the B.S.I. An amendment from A.R. Sanderson was agreed to as follows:

That the words "Persons having ceased to be members because of subscription arrears shall be eligible for re-election to the Society" be added to Rule 11.

With this addition the draft Constitution was approved.

4. The following officers and committee members were elected:

General Secretary: L. Brent, (Dept. of Immunology, St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, London W2)

Meetings Secretary: A.D. Barnes, (Dept. of Surgery, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Edgbaston, Birmingham 15)

Treasurer: J. Hopewell, (Dept. of Surgery, Royal Free Hospital, Lawn Road, London NW3)

Committee Members: J.R. Batchelor, R.Y. Calne, H. Festenstein, E.M. Lance, P.B. Medawar, J. Salaman. J.L. Turk will be a member of the committee as B.S.I. representative.