



# PTCOG 45 Steering Committee Report

Al Smith, Chairman

# New PTCOG Chairman

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# **Future PTCOG Meetings**

- **PTCOG 46, May 21-23, 2007: Wanjie, China**
- **PTCOG 47, 2008: Jacksonville, Florida, USA**
- **PTCOG 48, 2009: Heidelberg, Germany**

**PTCOG hosts are asked to coordinate a training program with Alejandro Mazal, the PTCOG Training Committee Chairman**

# **Scientific Sessions**

## **Report by Michael Goitein**

- Parallel sessions are highly discouraged
- A PTCOG Scientific Sub-Committee will provide guidelines for scientific sessions and will be available to review abstracts for host institutions.
- Commercial talks and facility status reports should be given the lowest priority for oral presentation. It is recommended that these topics be presented in poster sessions.
- 2 minute poster presentations are encouraged

# Reorganization of PTCOG

- We have achieved the status of a non-profit organization in Switzerland.
- Martin Jermann, acting PTCOG Treasurer, has established a PTCOG bank account in Switzerland and PTCOG funds are being consolidated into that account.
- The draft Statutes and Articles of PTCOG have been developed by Martin Jermann and are on the PTCOG web site for comment.
- We will vote to adopt (or not) these Statutes and Articles during the PTCOG 46 meeting.

# New Facilities

- Dr. Erik Blomquist, Professor, Uppsala University Hospital, Sweden, announced that the Swedish Particle Therapy Center will be built with treatments scheduled to begin in 2011.
- Dr. Christian Schmidt, University Clinical Hospital Schleswig-Holstein, announced that a particle therapy center will be built in Kiel, Germany.