

HRI International Homeopathy Research Conference Rome, 4th-7th June 2015

Pre-Conference Workshop

‘Harmonising proving guidelines’

Thursday 4 June, 14.00-17.00

There is an increasing need for guidelines for homeopathic pathogenetic trials (HPTs) that can facilitate the work of proving coordinators and other stakeholders in this field.

In July 2014, Liga Medicorum Homoeopathica Internationalis (LMHI) and the European Committee for Homeopathy (ECH) decided to harmonise their respective guidelines for provings as a first step towards establishing a best practice document that serves as a basis for further development. Critical comments, suggestions and other feedback on these guidelines are being collected and will inform the revised edition of the guidelines published in 2016.

The workshop will present and discuss the guidelines, especially the main issues around which different opinions exist: duration of proving, placebo control, blinding, etc. Reasons for the choices the committee made will be explained and submitted to discussion. Critical comments that have already been received will also be considered.

The workshop is suited to proving coordinators, officials in the regulatory field, journal editors, educators, researchers and other stakeholders. We hope for an intensive exchange about our common interest:

- *Provings that deliver clinically relevant outcomes*
- *Provings that are ethically conducted*
- *Provings of robust method and rigor*

The workshop will be chaired by **Ashley Ross**, Chair LMHI Provings Working Group and **Jean Pierre Jansen**, Co-ordinator ECH Subcommittee for Provings.

Take advantage of this rare opportunity to learn from the best in the field, in an informal setting.

The harmonised guidelines can be downloaded from:

<http://www.homeopathyeurope.org/publications/guidelines/homeopathic-provings-new/harmonised-guidelines-2014/view>

Comments and/or questions can be sent to the Chair at provings@homeopathyeurope.org before the workshop, so that we can incorporate these into the presentation.

Attendance fee: **Free**

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