The Annual Meeting of the ICRU was held in Odense, Denmark from 14 April until 20 April, 2002. The meeting was hosted and supported by the University of Southern Denmark (The Rector and Faculty of Science and Engineering) with additional support provided by The Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters (Niels Bohr Legatet and Aksel Tovborg Jensens Legat), Ingeniør N.M. Knudsens Fond and the Danish Society for Medical Physics. Dr. Peter Sigmund, with assistance from Ms. Karen Cauthery and Connie Bay, provided outstanding local arrangements support.

The Commission reviewed three draft documents, which were approved for publication:

- Patient Dosimetry for X Rays Used in Medical Imaging
- Prescribing, Recording and Reporting Electron Beam Therapy
- Dosimetry of Beta Rays and Low-Energy Photons for Brachytherapy with Sealed Sources

As part of its examination of the current status of efforts presently underway, the Commission noted the status of the many active or recently completed projects.

Recently Published

- ICRU Report 64, Dosimetry of High-Energy Photon Beams Based on Standards of Absorbed Dose to Water
- ICRU Report 65, Quantities, Units and Terms in Radioecology
- ICRU Report 66, Determination of Operational Dose-Equivalent Quantities for Neutrons

In Press

- ICRU Report 67, Absorbed-Dose Specification in Nuclear Medicine

Preparing Printer’s Manuscript

- ICRU Report 68, Retrospective Assessment of Exposures to Ionizing Radiation
- ICRU Report 69, Direct Determination of the Body Content of Radionuclides
- ICRU Report 70, Image Quality in Chest Radiography

Drafting Work Underway

- Assessment of Image Quality in Nuclear Medicine
- Bone Densitometry
Two insightful seminars were held in the University of Southern Denmark’s auditorium. André Wambersie gave a talk on “New Developments and Expectations in Radiation Therapy” followed by Peter Dawson on “Anatomical and Functional Imaging.”

Discussions on potential work for the future included the following topics:

- Cosmic Ray
- Low Dose
- Basic Dosimetry Data
- CT Imaging
- Proton Harmonization
- Phantoms

Members of the Commission and Elections

Dr. Randall Caswell, Secretary of the Commission, resigned his position after more than 25 years of service. The Commission acted to express its deep appreciation to Dr. Caswell for his unstinting service during the many years he served on the Commission.

Dr. Reinhard Gahbauer from Ohio State University and Dr. Dan Jones from iThema Labs in South Africa were elected as Commission Members for a term of four years.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Commission will be hosted by Drs. Peter Dawson and Barry Michael in the United Kingdom. The date of the meeting was set at 7-13 September 2003.