



# Annual Report

2022

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# WELCOME!



Dear ESGAR friends,

It is my great pleasure to write this introduction for the ESGAR Annual Report from 2022. After two years of an entirely pandemic driven society life, it was great to see many of you again during the ESGAR Annual Meeting, that was held in Lisbon, Portugal! More than 1300 participants from 60 countries took part in the meeting held under the presidency of Luis Curvo-Semedo.

Due to the positive overall feedback received by attendees , ESGAR decided to keep the virtual workshop format also for future workshops in addition to our live events . In fall 2022 we were finally able to also organise an onsite workshop again in Palermo, Italy and we are happy to offer a good balance of virtual and face-to-face teaching in 2023. New topics (Small Bowel workshop) and formats (“five-step approach”, fully scrollable DICOM formats available for workshop attendees) were successfully introduced and appreciated by all the participants. I am also proud to say that ESGAR re-introduced its famous CT Colonography topic in 2022 and there is more to come.

The annual report details the many activities of our very active Research Committee led by Stuart Taylor with the junior research mentorship programme, the speed mentoring during the annual meeting, seed grants and the research fellowships for our members. Also, a new visiting PhD programme was introduced and the research map on the website has been updated. The Guideline Working groups continue to actively publish and work on guidelines. Details can be found on the ESGAR website.

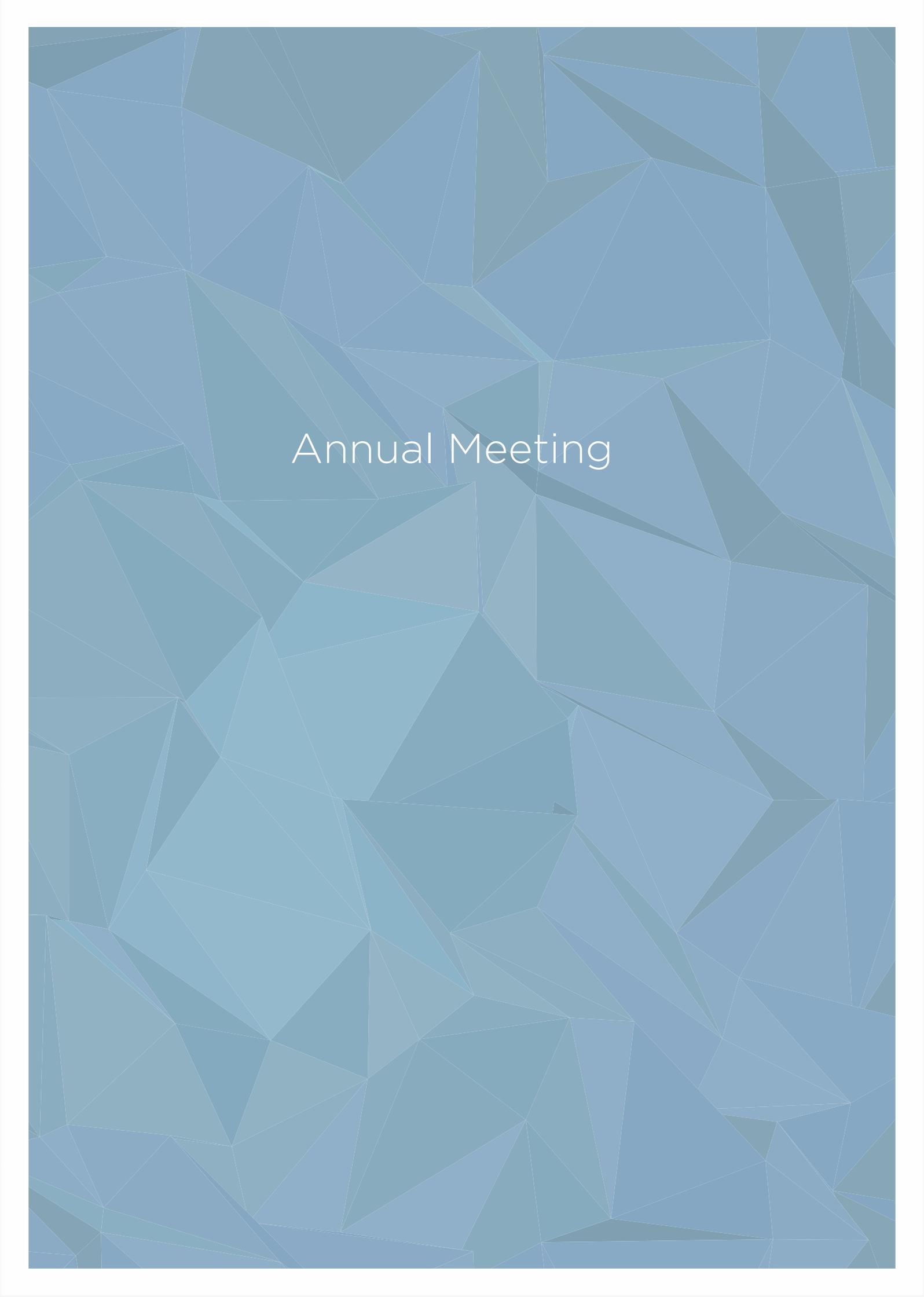
I would also like to highlight the fast growing Young ESGAR group which launched its own webinar series in 2022 (ESGAR e-Academy). Six webinars took place with Young ESGAR members as presenters and a senior ESGAR member as moderator.

Our social media presence is growing fast with several thousand followers on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Many thanks to those actively posting and sharing information on ESGAR activities! If you have not done so, I invite you to follow our society on these social channels and share our news and information.

My thanks go to all ESGAR committee members as well as all ESGAR members that contribute to the success of our society as ESGAR Ambassadors or Representatives in other Societies. Last but not least, I want to thank the Corporate Members for their continuing support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Laghi'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'A' and 'L'.

Andrea Laghi  
ESGAR President



# Annual Meeting

# ESGAR ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## THE ESGAR ANNUAL MEETING

The ESGAR Annual Meeting, the society's most important event, is held in a different European country each year... until COVID-19 changed the congress world.

In 2022, after two years of Virtual Meetings, we were finally able to meet again in person.

The 33<sup>rd</sup> ESGAR Annual Meeting and Postgraduate Course was held in Lisbon, Portugal from May 31 – June 3 under the presidency of Prof. Luis Curvo-Semedo from Coimbra, Portugal.



Yet again, ESGAR 2022 proved to

- ... be a global meeting and the largest and most prestigious GI and abdominal radiology meeting worldwide
- ... attract more than 1000 radiologists, physicians, researchers and academics
- ... be a platform for personal and scientific exchange
- ... offer high standard education and scientific content
- ... be the best place to learn about the latest advances in the fields of gastrointestinal and abdominal radiology

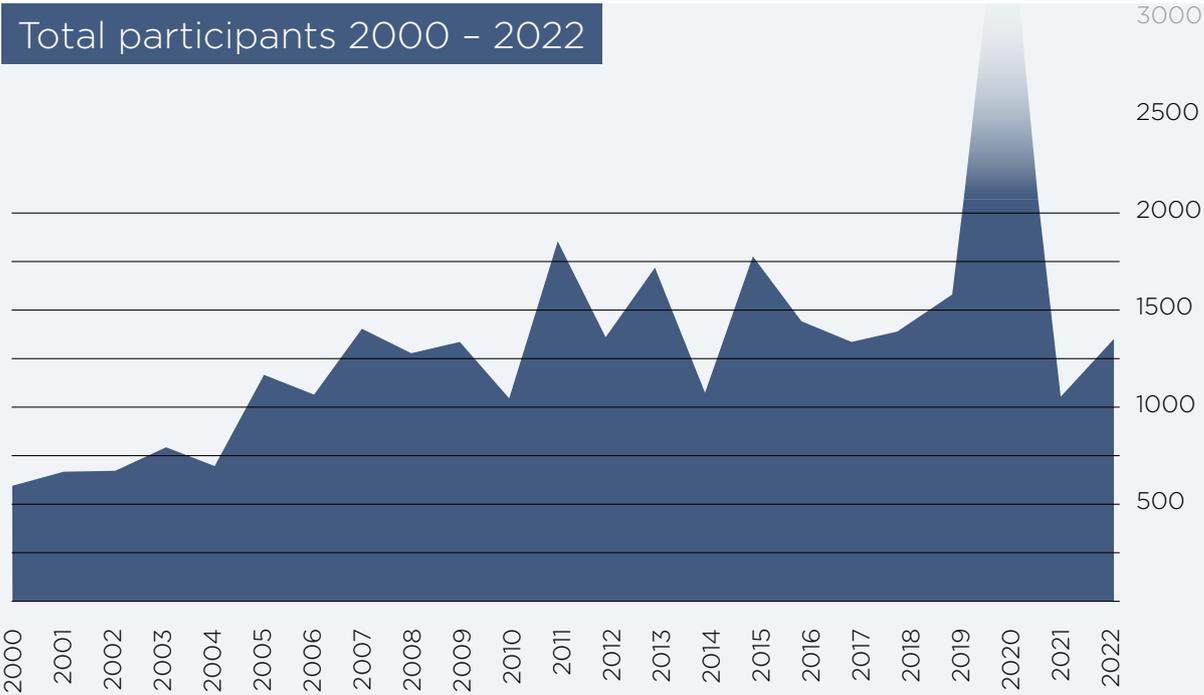
## THE FUTURE SCHEDULE FOR THE ESGAR ANNUAL MEETINGS IS:



**ESGAR 2023**  
Valencia, Spain  
June 13 – 16  
Meeting President 2023:  
Prof. Asunción Torregrosa Andrés, Valencia/ES



**ESGAR 2024**  
Gothenburg, Sweden  
May 28 – 31  
Meeting President 2024:  
Prof. Lennart Blomqvist, Stockholm/SE



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|---|---------------------|
| 2000   La Grande Motte/FR                       | 2011   Venice/IT    |
| 2001   Dublin/IE                                | 2012   Edinburgh/UK |
| 2002   Orlando, FL/US<br>Joint Meeting with SGR | 2013   Barcelona/ES |
| 2003   Budapest/HU                              | 2014   Salzburg/AT  |
| 2004   Geneva/CH                                | 2015   Paris/FR     |
| 2005   Florence/IT                              | 2016   Prague/CZ    |
| 2006   Crete/GR<br>Joint Meeting with SGR       | 2017   Athens/GR    |
| 2007   Lisbon/PT                                | 2018   Dublin/IE    |
| 2008   Istanbul/TR                              | 2019   Rome/IT      |
| 2009   Valencia/ES                              | 2020   Virtual      |
| 2010   Dresden/DE                               | 2021   Virtual      |
|   | 2022   Lisbon/PT    |

# ANNUAL MEETING 2022

33<sup>rd</sup> ESGAR Annual Meeting and Postgraduate Course

May 31 - June 3, 2022

## ESGAR 2022 MEETING PRESIDENT

Prof. Luis Curvo-Semedo, Coimbra, Portugal

## IMPORTANT FACTS

1327 participants from 60 countries worldwide attended the meeting.

- 1 Postgraduate Course:  
Bowel imaging in the spotlight: from diagnosis to patient management
- 36 ESGAR Tutorials
- 3 Research Tutorials
- 3 Image Guided Therapy Sessions
- 19 Case-based Discussions with ESGAR Experts
- 10 Lecture Sessions
- 5 School of ESGAR Sessions
- 1 Clinical Files Session
- 1 One Case Three Lessons Session
- 2 Foundation Courses
- 12 Scientific Sessions

## ESGAR HONORARY FELLOW 2022:

Christoph D. Becker, Geneva/CH

## ESGAR GOLD MEDALLIST 2022:

Celso Matos, Lisbon/PT

- > ESGAR Honorary Lecturer: Vicky Goh, London/UK
- > SAR Honorary Lecturer: Khaled M. Elsayes, Houston, TX/US
- 5 Lunch Symposia organised by: Bayer AG, Bracco, GE Healthcare and Guerbet
- 1 Industry Workshop organised by: Siemens

## Top 10 participating countries at ESGAR 2022

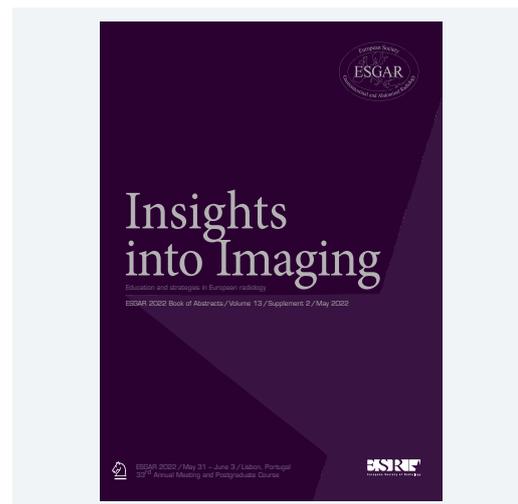


# ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## ESGAR TOP 20

The ESGAR Programme Committee takes great pleasure in congratulating the “ESGAR Top 20” authors. The “ESGAR Top 20” are the best rated abstracts, submitted by residents, who appear as the first author on the respective abstract and actually presented their oral presentation during the Annual Meeting in Lisbon, Portugal:

Dr. Raphael Ambros, Vienna/AT  
 Mr. Daniele Autelitano, Verona/IT  
 Dr. Caterina Cazzella, Bergamo/IT  
 Ms. Petra Custers, Amsterdam/NL  
 Mrs. Anaïs Delagnes, Angers/FR  
 Dr. Antonella Del Gaudio, Rome/IT  
 Dr. Ludovico Dulcetta, Bergamo/IT  
 Dr. Joseph El-Sheikha, Basingstoke/UK  
 Dr. Filippo Fedeli, Florence/IT  
 Mr. Luca Geraci, Verona/IT  
 Mr. Burak Görgeç, Amsterdam/NL  
 Ms. Laura Haefliger, Lausanne/CH  
 Mrs. Maria Katharina Ingenerf, Munich/DE  
 Dr. Shankar Kumar, London/UK  
 Dr. Francesca Mambrin, Verona/IT  
 Dr. Bram Miseur, Leuven/BE  
 Dr. Ilaria Nacci, Rome/IT  
 Dr. Daniele Palatresi, Florence/IT  
 Dr. Luisa Tomaiuolo, Verona/IT  
 Ms. Denise Van der Reijd, Amsterdam/NL



The abstracts of scientific oral presentations are published in “Insights into Imaging”:  
 ESGAR 2022 Book of Abstracts / Volume 13 / Supplement 2 / May 2022  
 doi: 10.1186/s13244-022-01225-4

You can also find the “Book of Abstracts” in your Personal ESGAR Account via [www.esgar.org](http://www.esgar.org).

# ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## Poster Award Winners

The ESGAR Programme Committee is delighted to express their congratulations to the “Poster Presentation Prize” winners. One Magna Cum Laude, four Cum Laude, and six Certificates of Merit have been awarded. The evaluation of the e-Poster presentations was completed in advance of the meeting by a jury and was based on novelty, accuracy, educational value and design:

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Mohamed A. Haouari, Paris/FR

### CUM LAUDE

Mohamed A. Haouari, Paris/FR

João M. Miranda, Sao Paulo/BR

Gwenaël Pagé, Paris/FR

Ana Veron Sanchez, Brussels/BE

### CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Vasco Mendes, Coimbra/PT

Leonardo Marcal, Houston, TX/US

Giorgia Porrello, Palermo/IT

Tiago S. Oliveira, Coimbra/PT

Anisha Bhagwanani, Basingstoke/UK

Ryota Hyodo, Nagoya/JP

# ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## Cases of the Day Winners

Twelve different cases were displayed each day throughout the Annual Meeting, thus giving registrants the opportunity to take part in the quiz and check the results on the following day.

The scientific coordinator of the ESGAR 2022 Cases of the Day competition was Căcilia Reiner, Zurich/CH.

Those participants, that took part in all online quizzes, and solved the most cases were declared the winners:



### FIRST PLACE

Diana Ioana Florian, Cluj-Napoca/RO

Bertine Stehouwer, Utrecht/NL

Congratulations to the winners below! They received a free registration to the next ESGAR Annual meeting:

# ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## European Radiology ESGAR Awards

On the occasion of the ESGAR 2022 Annual Meeting, the following “European Radiology ESGAR Awards 2021” were presented. The articles were chosen by the jury from among 26 papers published by ESGAR Members (first and last author must be an ESGAR member) in the journal “European Radiology” during the calendar year 2021.

The jury was composed of the following persons: the President of ESGAR (A. Laghi), President-elect (M. Zins), Vice-President and Programme Committee Chair (J. Stoker), President of the Annual Meeting (L. Curvo-Semedo), and the European Radiology Editor in Chief (Y. Menu).

### GOLD AWARD

Agnès Fernández-Clotet, Víctor Sapena, Nunzia Capozzi, Sonia Rodríguez, Maria-Carme Masamunt, Elena Ricart, Ingrid Ordás, Julian Panés & Jordi Rimola

for publishing the paper with the title *“Avoiding contrast-enhanced sequences does not compromise the precision of the simplified MaRIA for the assessment of non-penetrating Crohn’s disease activity”*

### SILVER AWARD

Sun Kyung Jeon, Jeong Min Lee, Eun Sun Lee, Mi Hye Yu, Ijin Joo, Jeong Hee Yoon, Jin-Young Jang, Kyoung Bun Lee & Sang Hyup Lee

for publishing the paper with the title *“How to approach pancreatic cancer after neoadjuvant treatment: assessment of resectability using multidetector CT and tumor markers”*

### BRONZE AWARD

Roberto Cannella, Federica Vernuccio, Michela Antonucci, Domenico Salvatore Gagliano, Francesco Matteini, Massimo Midiri & Giuseppe Brancatelli

for publishing the paper with the title *“LI-RADS ancillary features favoring benignity: is there a role in LR-5 observations?”*

# ANNUAL MEETING 2022

## Insights into Imaging Award

On the occasion of the ESGAR 2022 Annual Meeting, the following “Insights into Imaging Award 2021” was presented.

The article was chosen by the jury from among 10 papers published by ESGAR Members (first and last author must be an ESGAR member) in the journal “Insights into Imaging” during the calendar year 2021.

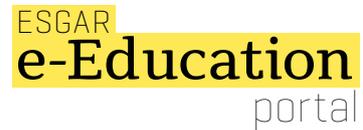
The jury was composed of the following persons: the President of ESGAR (A. Laghi), President-elect (M. Zins), Vice-President and Programme Committee Chair (J. Stoker), and the Insights into Imaging Editor in Chief (L. Martí-Bonmatí)

### THE ESGAR INSIGHTS INTO IMAGING AWARD WAS PRESENTED TO:

Amir H. Davarpanah, Afshar Ghamari Khameneh, Bardia Khosravi, Ali Mir, Hiva Saffar & Amir Reza Radmard

for publishing the paper with the title: *“Many faces of acute bowel ischemia: overview of radiologic staging”*

# ESGAR ONLINE



Your online education resource, just one click away – any time, any day!

The ESGAR e-Education Portal aims at facilitating web-based learning for ESGAR Members and delivering high quality educational material in the fields of gastrointestinal and abdominal radiology. The platform reflects and builds on the longstanding objectives of the Society. One of the major features of the e-Education Portal are topic packages created from recorded content from previous ESGAR Annual Meetings. Other elements include the Case of the Month, e-Posters, and the Journal Watch.

All content is regularly checked and updated.



## CASE OF THE MONTH

Participate in the challenge and try to solve the case!



## RECORDED CONTENT

A selection of recorded lectures from previous Annual Meetings is available online all year round for ESGAR members.



## JOURNAL WATCH

An online source for clinical commentary and review of topical research papers provided monthly by younger radiologists.



## E-POSTER ARCHIVE

The online e-Poster Database includes over 2000 educational and scientific exhibits from ESGAR 2004 – 2017!



## E-POSTERS

All e-Posters from ESGAR 2018 onwards are displayed here!



## ESGAR 2022 – AWARDED POSTERS

Find out more about the awarded e-Posters from the recent Annual Meeting!

Responsible for the content: Education Committee

# ESGAR ONLINE

A word of thanks goes to the great work of the Education Committee and their fellow co-workers in providing monthly journal reviews and case quizzes.

## JOURNAL WATCH AUTHORS

January 2022 (1)	A. Calabrese, Rome/IT
January 2022 (2)	W. Hogg, Leeds/UK
February 2022	A. Boukhoubza, Valencia/ES
March 2022 (1)	A. Babici, Cluj-Napoca/RO
March 2022 (2)	L. Jungblut, Zurich/CH
April 2022 (1)	M. Milazzo, Palermo/IT
April 2022 (2)	F. Mambrin, Verona/IT
May 2022 (1)	S. Arrigo, Msida/MT
May 2022 (2)	V.F. Mendes, Coimbra/PT
June 2022	M. Polici, Rome/IT
July 2022 (1)	E. Bättig Arriagada, Valencia/IT
July 2022 (2)	S. Belcastro, Rome/IT
August 2022 (1)	S. Ruggiero, Rome/IT
August 2022 (2)	V. Valek, Brno/CZ
September 2022 (1)	P. Maganinho, Porto/PT
September 2022 (2)	C. Rucci, Rome/IT
October 2022 (1)	C.-G. Moldovanu, Cluj-Napoca/RO
October 2022 (2)	M. Pace, Palermo/IT
November 2022 (1)	I. Christofilis, Athens/GR
November 2022 (2)	S. Arrigo, Msida/MT
December 2022 (1)	M. Plaikner, Innsbruck/AT
December 2022 (2)	G. Tomelleri, Verona/IT

## CASE OF THE MONTH AUTHORS

January 2022 (1)	D. Mora, A. Batista, A. Torregrosa, Valencia/ES
January 2022 (2)	M. Brenner, D. Tolan, Leeds/UK
February 2022 (1)	F. Salerno, R. Cannella, Palermo/IT
February 2022 (2)	M. Bariani, Verona/IT
March 2022	F. Lima Coelho, M. Barros, J. Maciel, M. França, Porto/PT
April 2022 (1)	C. Terra, Coimbra/PT
April 2022 (2)	C. Reiner, Zurich/CH
July 2022	M. Dea Ippoliti, D. Bellini, Rome/IT
August 2022	B. Henninger, Innsbruck/AT
September 2022	F. Maccioni, L. Busato, A. Longhi, Rome/IT
October 2022	A. Doukopoulou, Athens/GR
November 2022	A.M. Calin-Vainak, Cluj-Napoca/RO
December 2022	B. Masci, M. Zerunian, D. De Santis, D. Caruso, A. Laghi, Rome/IT



# Workshops

# ESGAR WORKSHOPS 2022

For many years workshops have played a key role in education for the ESGAR community.

From a general point of view, the workshops held in 2022 have covered conventional topics that are still very much appreciated by the participants and in parallel there has been a continued effort to offer new topics together with new formats that may be more attractive.

The first half of 2022 was still under the uncertainties following the COVID-19 pandemic, and all the workshop activities were held online.

A Small Bowel workshop was introduced in the first half of 2022 using an interactive format thanks to the integration of a web-based PACS accessible to all participants. The evaluation of the topic as well as the format showed very good results from the participants but also from the speakers and in fall a new “five-step approach” for the Rectal workshop was very successful and appreciated by all the participants.

Moreover, after a two-year break, ESGAR re-introduced its famous CT Colonography topic, for the first time in a virtual format. It was highly appreciated by the participants, especially those outside of Europe.

In the last 12 months, ESGAR organised nine virtual workshops as well as one face-to-face workshop in Palermo, Italy and trained 756 delegates online. Each of the courses is CME accredited, averaging 12 CME credits per workshop.

Due to the positive overall feedback received from attendees, ESGAR decided to keep both formats, online and onsite workshops, in order to offer a good balance of virtual and face-to-face teaching.

## PARTICIPANTS FROM TOP 10 COUNTRIES:



## VIRTUAL SMALL BOWEL WORKSHOP

January 20 - 21, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

Dr. Andrew Plumb, London/UK  
Dr. Isabelle De Kock, Ghent/BE

### PARTICIPANTS

65 participants from 26 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

G. Bhatnagar, Frimley/UK  
I. De Kock, Ghent/BE  
L. Delrue, Ghent/BE  
P. Paolantonio, Rome/IT  
A. Plumb, London/UK  
A.R. Radmard, Tehran/IR  
J. Rimola, Barcelona/ES  
J. Stoker, Amsterdam/NL  
S. A. Taylor, London/UK  
C.J. Zech, Basel/CH

# VIRTUAL SMALL BOWEL WORKSHOP



## VIRTUAL WORKSHOP: All you need to know about Abdominal MRI

February 24 - 25, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

Prof. Maria Antonietta Bali,  
Brussels/BE  
Prof. Dow-Mu Koh, Sutton/UK

### PARTICIPANTS

109 participants from 33 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

M.A. Bali, Brussels/BE  
A. Ba-Ssalamah, Vienna/AT  
D. Boll, Basel/CH  
G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT  
K. De Paepe, London/UK  
M. França, Porto/PT  
E. Godfrey, Cambridge/UK  
S. Gourtsoyianni, Athens/GR  
N. Kartalis, Stockholm/SE  
D.-M. Koh, Sutton/UK  
T. Lauenstein, Dusseldorf/DE  
O. Lucidarme, Paris/FR  
M. Maas, Amsterdam/NL  
C. Matos, Lisbon/PT  
C. Muhl, Maastricht/NL  
G. Morana, Treviso/IT  
M. Rengo, Rome/IT  
V. Vandecaveye, Leuven/BE  
J. Winfield, London/UK

# VIRTUAL MR IMAGING ABDOMEN WORKSHOP



## VIRTUAL LIVER IMAGING WORKSHOP

April 7 - 8, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Prof. Christoph J. Zech, Basel/CH

### PARTICIPANTS

93 participants from 28 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

R. Albazaz, Leeds/UK

I. Bargellini, Pisa/IT

G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT

D. Clevert, Munich/DE

P. Demetter, Brussels/BE

A. Fretland, Oslo/NO

M. Karçaaltıncaba, Ankara/TR

N. Kartalis, Stockholm/SE

Y. Menu, Paris/FR

I.E. Nygård, Oslo/NO

M. Ronot, Paris/FR

V. Vandecaveye, Leuven/BE

G. Zamboni, Verona/IT

C.J. Zech, Basel/CH

# VIRTUAL LIVER IMAGING WORKSHOP



## VIRTUAL PANCREAS IMAGING WORKSHOP

April 28 - 29, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Prof. Maria Antonietta Bali, Brussels/BE

### PARTICIPANTS

91 participants from 33 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

M. Arvanitaki, Brussels/BE

C. Dromain, Lausanne/CH

N. Kartalis, Stockholm/SE

C. Matos, Lisbon/PT

G. Morana, Treviso/IT

M. Pezzullo, Brussels/BE

R. Pozzi-Mucelli, Stockholm/SE

E. Rangelova, Gothenburg/SE

A. Riddell, London/UK

V. Vilgrain, Clichy/FR

M. Zins, Paris/FR

# VIRTUAL PANCREAS WORKSHOP



## HANDS-ON IMAGING – a step-wise approach to understanding rectal MRI

September 26, 2022 & October 17, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

Prof. Regina G.H. Beets-Tan, Amsterdam/NL  
Dr. Doenja Lambregts, Amsterdam/NL

### PARTICIPANTS

69 participants from 26 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

G. Beets, Amsterdam/NL  
R.G.H. Beets-Tan, Amsterdam/NL  
L. Curvo-Semedo, Coimbra/PT  
E. Dresen, Leuven/BE  
N. El Khababi, Amsterdam/NL  
M. Lahaye, Amsterdam/NL  
D. Lambregts, Amsterdam/NL  
M. Maas, Amsterdam/NL  
S. Nougaret, Montpellier/FR  
J. Van Griethuysen, Amsterdam/NL  
B. van Triest, Amsterdam/NL

# VIRTUAL RECTAL MR IMAGING

a stepwise approach to understanding rectal MRI



## LIVER IMAGING WORKSHOP

September 29 - 30, 2022

Palermo, Italy

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Prof. Christoph J. Zech, Basel/CH

### LOCAL ORGANISER

Prof. Giuseppe Brancatelli, Palermo/IT

### PARTICIPANTS

57 participants from 21 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

M.A. Bali, Brussels/BE

T.V. Bartolotta, Palermo/IT

A. Ba-Ssalamah, Vienna/AT

G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT

R. Cannella, Palermo/IT

M. Galia, Palermo/IT

M. Karçaaltıncaba, Ankara/TR

Y. Menu, Paris/FR

G. Porrello, Palermo/IT

F. Vernuccio, Padova/IT

V. Vilgrain, Clichy/FR

C.J. Zech, Basel/CH



## VIRTUAL CT COLONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP - the essentials

October 13 - 14, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Prof. Thomas Mang, Vienna/AT

### PARTICIPANTS

95 participants from 23 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

N. Flor, Milan/IT

F. Iafrate, Rome/IT

A. Laghi, Rome/IT

P. Lefere, Roeselare/BE

T. Mang, Vienna/AT

M. Morrin, Dublin/IE

E. Neri, Pisa/IT

A. Obaro, London/UK

P. Pickhardt, Madison/US

A. Plumb, London/UK

D. Regge, Turin/IT

J. Stoker, Amsterdam/NL

D. Tolan, Leeds/UK

J. Yee, New York/US

# VIRTUAL CT COLONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP



VIRTUAL ESGAR/ESUR ACUTE ABDOMEN WORKSHOP -  
all you need to know  
November 17 - 18, 2022

SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Dr. Marc Zins, Paris/FR

PARTICIPANTS

81 participants from 23 countries

WORKSHOP FACULTY

S. Jackson, Plymouth/UK

H. Lambie, Leeds/UK

I. Millet, Montpellier/FR

V. Panebianco, Rome/IT

J.B.C.M. Puylaert, The Hague/NL

L. Rocher, Clamart/FR

J. Wessling, Münster/DE

M. Zins, Paris/FR

**ESGAR/ESUR  
VIRTUAL  
ACUTE ABDOMEN  
WORKSHOP**



## VIRTUAL LIVER WORKSHOP - a case-based approach

November 24 - 25, 2022

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Prof. Christoph J. Zech, Basel/CH

### PARTICIPANTS

65 participants from 22 countries

### WORKSHOP FACULTY

M.A. Bali, Brussels/BE

I. Bargellini, Pisa/IT

A. Ba-Ssalamah, Vienna/AT

G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT

R. Cannella, Palermo/IT

K. de Paepe, London/UK

N. Kartalis, Stockholm/SE

T. Lauenstein, Essen/DE

M. Karçaaltıncaba, Ankara/TR

M. Maurer, Bern/CH

Y. Menu, Paris/FR

V. Vilgrain, Clichy/FR

G. Zamboni, Verona/IT

C.J. Zech, Basel/CH

# VIRTUAL LIVER IMAGING WORKSHOP



VIRTUAL WORKSHOP –  
optimising the role of CT in abdominal imaging  
December 15 - 16, 2022

SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

Prof. Giulia Zamboni, Verona/IT  
Dr. Casper Muhl, Maastricht/NL

PARTICIPANTS

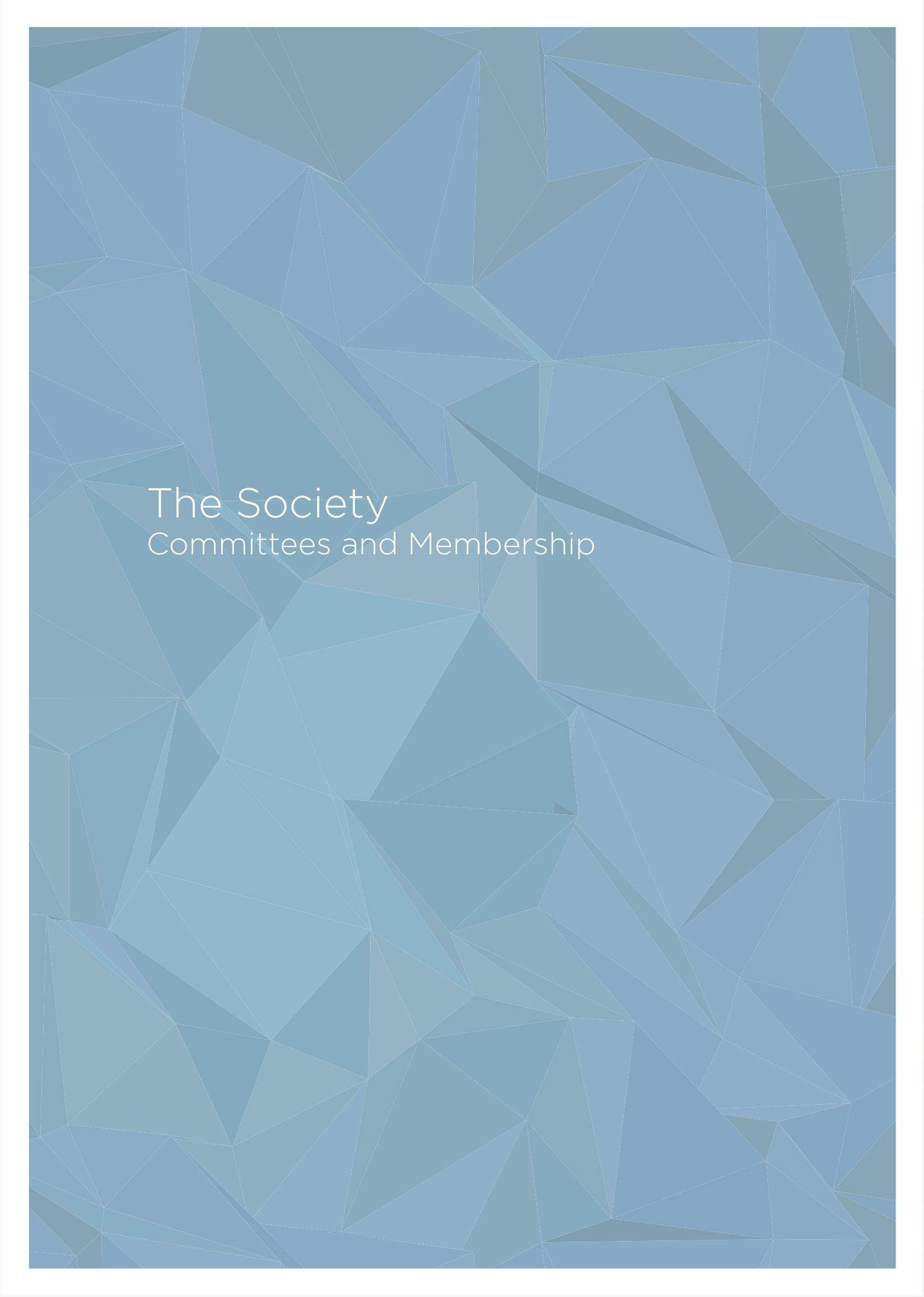
31 participants from 18 countries

WORKSHOP FACULTY

D. Caruso, Rome/IT  
A. Euler, Zurich/CH  
L. Guimaraes, Porto/PT  
K. Horsthuis, Amsterdam/NL  
C. Jeukens, Maastricht/NL  
D. Marin, Durham/US  
B. Martens, Maastricht/NL  
C. Muhl, Maastricht/NL  
A. Persson, Linkoping/SE  
C. Reiner, Zurich/CH  
M. Ronot, Clichy/FR  
G. Zamboni, Verona/IT

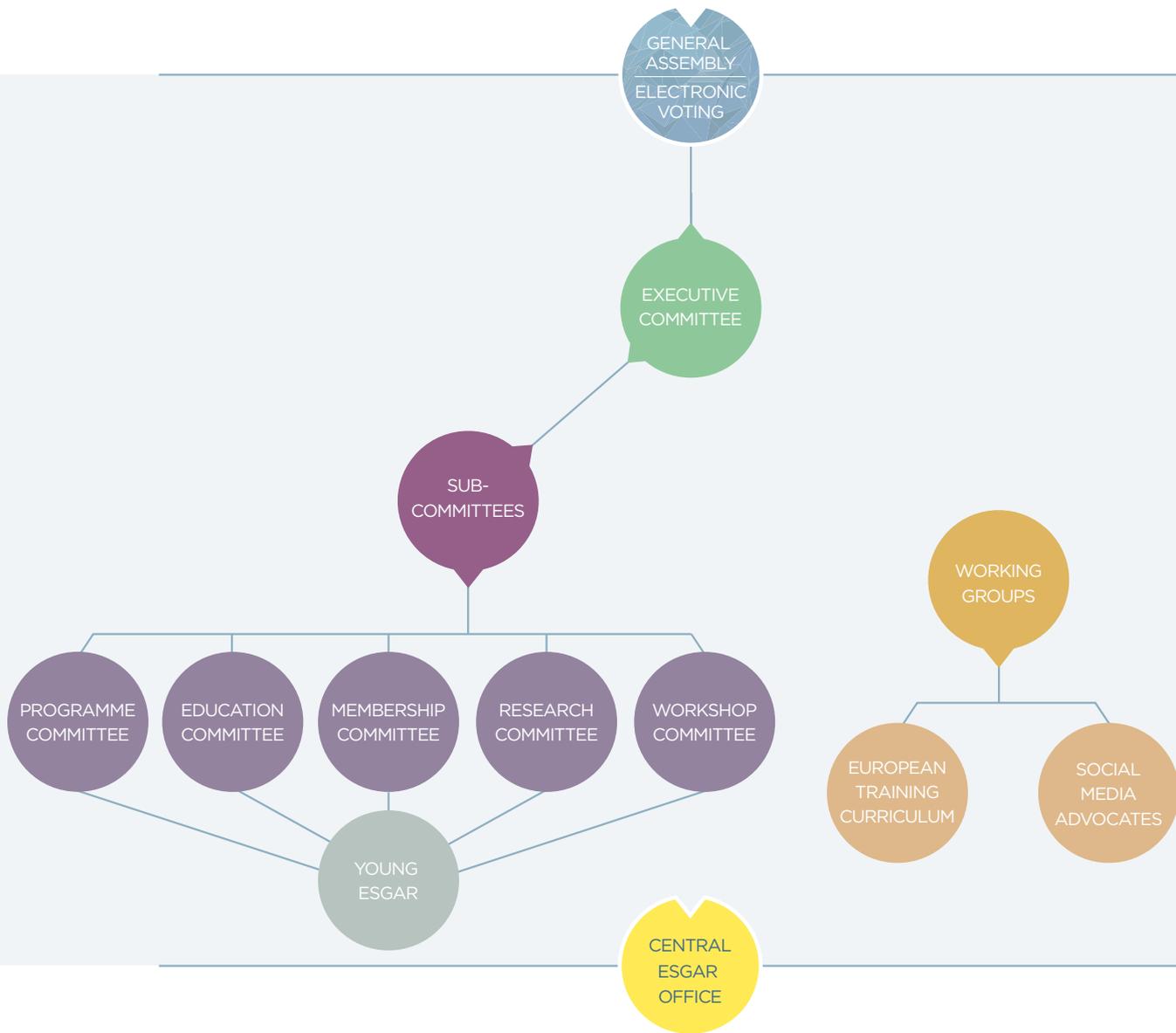
**VIRTUAL**  
**ABDOMEN**  
**WORKSHOP**





The Society  
Committees and Membership

# ORGANIGRAM



# COMMITTEES 2021 - 2023

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2022 - 2023



President  
Andrea Laghi (IT)  
2019



President-Elect  
Marc Zins (FR)  
2019



Vice President  
Jaap Stoker (NL)  
2021



Secretary/Treasurer  
Valerie Vilgrain (FR)  
2021



Education Committee Chair  
Christoph J. Zech (CH)  
2021



Membership Committee Chair  
Giuseppe Brancatelli (IT)  
2019 / 2021



Research Committee Chair  
Stuart A. Taylor (UK)  
2021



Workshop Committee Chair  
Maria A. Bali (BE)  
2019 / 2021



Meeting President  
ESGAR 2022  
Luís Curvo-Semedo (PT)



Pre-Meeting President  
ESGAR 2023  
Asunción Torregrosa Andrés  
(ES)



Pre-Pre Meeting President  
ESGAR 2024  
Lennart Blomqvist (SE)

# COMMITTEES 2021 - 2023

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2022 - 2023



Member at large  
Sofia Gourtsoyianni (GR)  
2019 / 2021



Member at large  
Nikolaos Kartalis (SE)  
2021



Member at large  
Musturay Karçaaltıncaba (TR)  
2021



Member at large  
Maija Radzina (LV)  
2021



Member at large  
Damian Tolan (UK)  
2021

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE ESGAR 2022 = EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE		YEAR ELECTED
Programme Committee Chair	Jaap Stoker (NL)	2021
Young ESGAR	Cäcilia Reiner (CH)	2021
Young ESGAR	Katja De Paepe (UK)	2021
Young ESGAR	Roberto Canella (IT)	2021

## SUB-COMMITTEES 2021 - 2023

EDUCATION COMMITTEE		YEAR ELECTED
Education Committee Chair	Christoph J. Zech (CH)	2021
Members	Kelvin Cortis (MT)	2017/2019/2021
	Manuela França (PT)	2015/2017/2019/2021
	Benjamin Henninger (AT)	2021
	Olivier Lucidarme (FR)	2021
	Francesca Maccioni (IT)	2021
	Căcilia Reiner (CH)	2021
	Stefania Romano (IT)	2021
	Damian Tolan (UK)	2017/2019/2021
	Asunción Torregrosa Andrés (ES)	2017/2019/2021
	Charina Triantopoulou (GR)	2017/2019/2021
Giulia Zamboni (IT)	2019/2021	
Members - Young ESGAR	Damiano Caruso (IT)	2019/2021
	Davide Bellini (IT)	2019/2021
	Alexandre Perez Girbes (ES)	2019/2021
	Carolina Terra (PT)	2021
SOCIAL MEDIA (EDUCATION COMMITTEE)		YEAR ELECTED
	Roberto Cannella (IT)	2019/2021
	Adriana Mirela Calin-Vainak (RO)	2019/2021
	Marta Zerunian (IT)	2021
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE		YEAR ELECTED
Membership Committee Chair	Giuseppe Brancatelli (IT)	2019/2021
Members	Ahmed Ba-Ssalamah (AT)	2019/2021
	Lennart Blomqvist (SE)	2019/2021
	Sukru Mehmet Erturk (TR)	2021
	Sofia Gourtsoyianni (GR)	2019/2021
	Davide Ippolito (IT)	2019/2021
	Max Lahaye (NL)	2017/2019/2021
	Emilio Quaia (IT)	2021
	Maija Radzina (LV)	2019/2021
	Jean-Pierre Tasu (FR)	2021
	Federica Vernuccio (IT)	2019/2021
Members - Young ESGAR	Kalina Chupetlovska (BG)	2019/2021
	Carmelo Sofia (IT)	2019/2021

## SUB-COMMITTEES 2021 - 2023

RESEARCH COMMITTEE		YEAR ELECTED
Research Committee Chair	Stuart A. Taylor (UK)	2021
Members	Isabelle de Kock (BE)	2021
	Doenja Lambregts (NL)	2019 / 2021
	Monique Maas (NL)	2021
	Stephanie Nougaret (FR)	2021
	Andrew Plumb (UK)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
	Soren Rafaelsen (DK)	2021
	Maxime Ronot (FR)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
	Ines Santiago (PT)	2021
	Vincent Vandecaveye (BE)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
Members - Young ESGAR	Milda Dedelaite (DK)	2020 / 2021
	Maira Hameed (UK)	2020 / 2021

WORKSHOP COMMITTEE		YEAR ELECTED
Workshop Committee Chair	Maria Antonietta Bali (BE)	2019 / 2021
Members	Giuseppe Brancatelli (IT)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
	Mirko D'Onofrio (IT)	2019 / 2021
	Christine Hoeffel (FR)	2021
	Simon Jackson (UK)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
	Musturay Karcaaltincaba (TR)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
	Dow-Mu Koh (UK)	2019 / 2021
	Giovanni Morana (IT)	2021
	Andrew Plumb (UK)	2019 / 2021
	Raffaella Pozzi Mucelli (SE)	2019 / 2021
	Marco Rengo (IT)	2021
	Christian Stroszczyński (DE)	2021
	Christoph J. Zech (CH)	2017 / 2019 / 2021
	Marc Zins (FR)	2021
Members - Young ESGAR	Casper Muhl (NL)	2019 / 2021
	Katja De Paepe (UK)	2019 / 2021

# YOUNG ESGAR

Young ESGAR (YE) was founded in 2019 as an initiative to generate an active forum of young ESGAR members to represent the interests of young residents, radiologists and researchers within the ESGAR community. Since its initiation, over 100 people from more than 25 different countries worldwide have joined YE. The Young ESGAR group was very active during the 2022 Annual Meeting where they helped organise the School of ESGAR, the cases of the day quiz, the speed mentoring programme and various social events. In addition, YE maintains a collection of anatomy e-tutorials on the ESGAR website and participates in their own webinars series (Young ESGAR e-Academy) where YE members get the chance to present educational lectures and cases that are moderated by experienced senior ESGAR faculty members.

## ESGAR e-Academy

### Young ESGAR Webinar 1:

LiRADS

January 26, 2022

(154 participants)

Moderator: G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT

Speaker: K. De Paepe, Cambridge/UK

### Young ESGAR Webinar 4:

MRI of focal pancreatic lesions

July 6, 2022

(107 participants)

Moderator: M.A. Bali, Brussels/BE

Speaker: R. Cannella, Palermo/IT

### Young ESGAR Webinar 2:

Imaging after GI surgery

March 23, 2022

(105 participants)

Moderator: D. Tolan, Leeds/UK

Speaker: P. Rodríguez Carnero, Madrid/ES

### Young ESGAR Webinar 5:

Pancreatic cystic lesions

September 21, 2022

(107 participants)

Moderator: C. Triantopoulou, Athens/AT

Speaker: J. Shur, London/UK

### Young ESGAR Webinar 3:

IR procedure of the liver

May 11, 2022

(53 participants)

Moderator: C.J. Zech, Basel/CH

Speaker: C. Terra, Coimbra/PT

### Young ESGAR Webinar 6:

Abdominal tuberculosis

December 7, 2022

(80 participants)

Moderator: S.A. Taylor, London/UK

Speaker: A. Chandramohan, Vellore/IN

## Speed mentoring programme during the ESGAR 2022 Annual Meeting

Tuesday, May 31

12:30 – 13:30

L. Blomqvist

S.A. Taylor

R. Beets-Tan

Wednesday, June 1

13:30 – 14:30

J. Stoker

M. Ronot

G. Brancatelli

Friday, June 3

13:00 – 14:00

F. Vernuccio

C.J. Zech

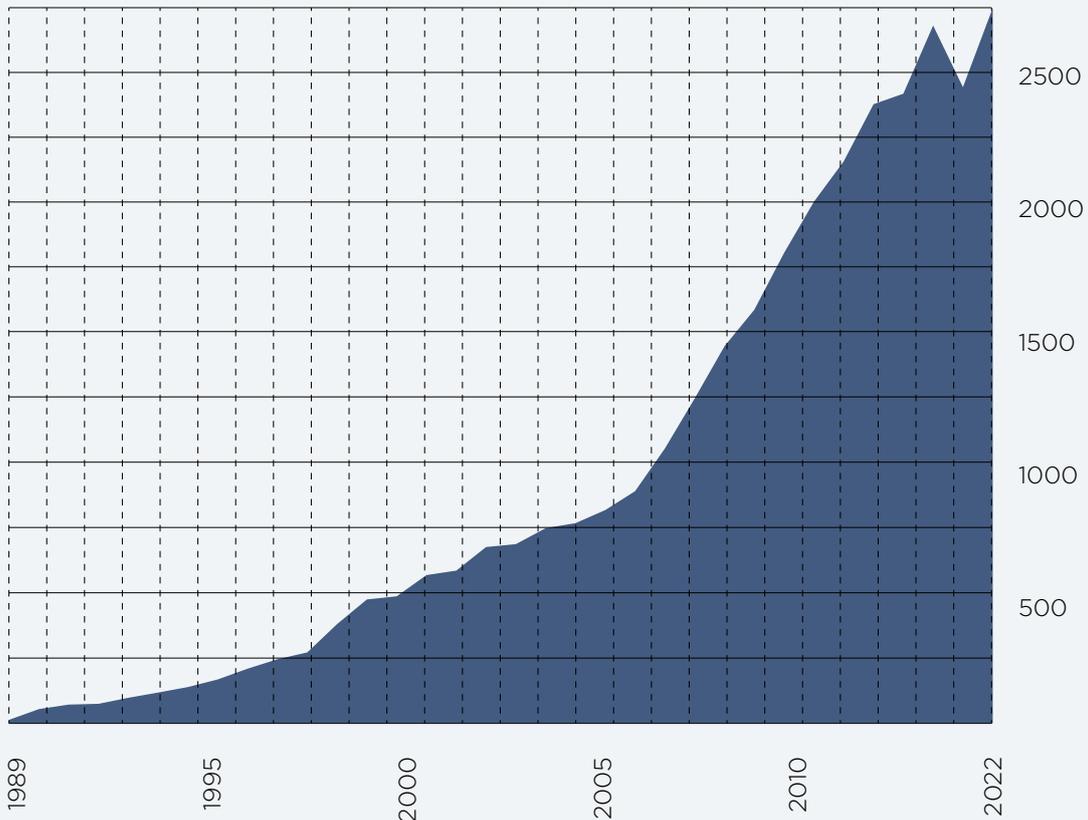
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# MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

as per December 2022

TOTAL number of individual ESGAR Members: 2728 Members  
 New Applicants in year 2022: 344

Members per year

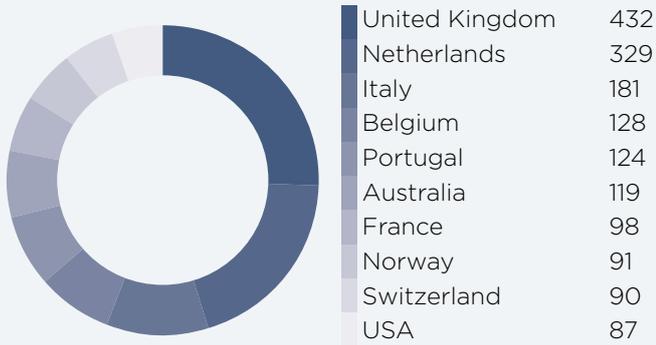


36	Honorary Fellows	504	Corresponding Members
28	Emeritus Fellows	391	Junior Members
186	Fellows	4	Corporate Members
27	Corresponding Fellows		
1556	Active Members		

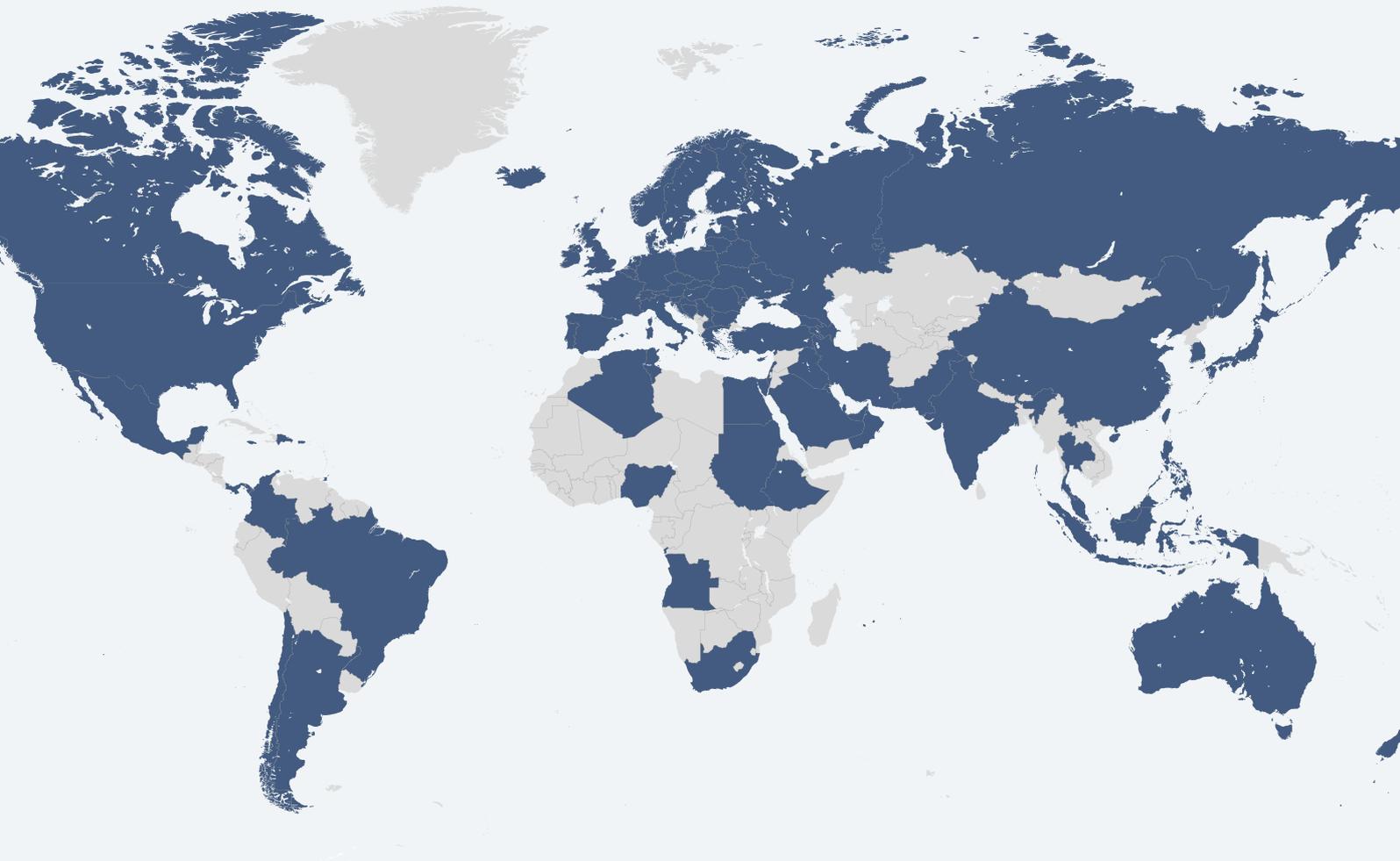
# MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

as per December 2022

## Top 10 Countries



## Top 5 Countries (New Members)



# NEW FELLOWS & CORRESPONDING FELLOW

ESGAR is pleased to announce the newly elected Fellows approved in 2022. Fellows are active members, for at least three years, who have made a significant contribution to Abdominal and Gastrointestinal Radiology and related research areas. A Fellow should be involved in daily practice or teaching or research, predominantly in this field.

## New Fellows

**Nina Bastati-Huber, Vienna/AT**  
 Medical University of Vienna  
 Member since 2017

**Sarah Pötter-Lang, Vienna/AT**  
 Medical University of Vienna  
 Member since 2017

**Carmel Cronin, Dublin/IE**  
 Mater Misericordiae University Hospital  
 Member since 2015

**Philipp Wiggermann, Braunschweig/DE**  
 Städtisches Klinikum Braunschweig GmbH  
 Member since 2016

**Alain Luciani, Paris/FR**  
 Hôpitaux Universitaires Henri-Mondor-  
 Université Est Créteil  
 Member since 2013

ESGAR is pleased to announce the newly elected Corresponding Fellow approved in 2022. Corresponding Fellows are corresponding members, for at least three years, who have made a significant contribution to Abdominal and Gastrointestinal Radiology and related research areas. A Corresponding Fellow should be involved in daily practice or teaching or research, predominantly in his/her field.

## New Corresponding Fellow

**Olga Brook, Boston, MA/US**  
 Harvard Medical School  
 Member since 2016

# SUBSPECIALTY RECOGNITION PROGRAMME

ESGAR is responsible for delivering a high quality of education in gastrointestinal and abdominal radiology. The increasing number of attendees at the ESGAR Annual Meetings and Workshops indicates that there is a growing need for subspecialised education and recognition in gastrointestinal radiology.

Eventually, ESGAR offers the “ESGAR Certificates of Subspecialty Recognition”. These certificates offer a recognition at European level for radiologists who have reached a subspecialised level of knowledge and who are keen to maintain this level in abdominal radiology, actively involved in abdominal radiology practice as well as in education and research.

The ESGAR Certificate of Subspecialty Recognition Programme includes two levels:

ESGAR Certificate of Distinction (Level I) and Certificate of Excellence (Level II).

The certificate is given for a period of five years. After five years, the certificate can be renewed if provided criteria and requirements have been fulfilled.

ESGAR Members certified with Level II can be selected to become ESGAR Fellows after the proposal of the Executive Committee.

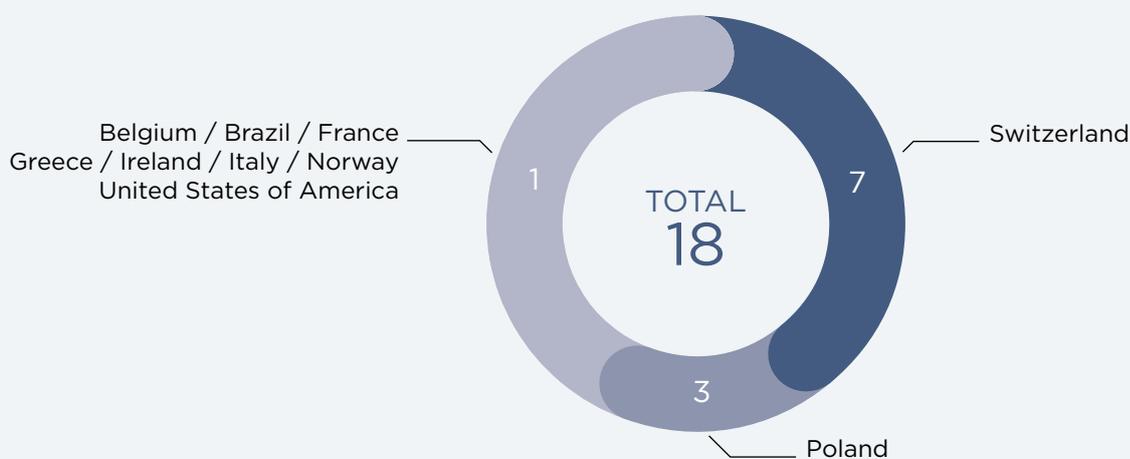
### Who is eligible?

**LEVEL I - ESGAR CERTIFICATE OF DISTINCTION** ESGAR Members (active, corresponding) fulfilling the threshold according to the scoring system of at least 15 points.

**LEVEL II - ESGAR CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE** ESGAR Members (active, corresponding) fulfilling the threshold according to the scoring system of at least 40 points.

In 2022, ESGAR has received 18 applications from the following countries:

## Country Statistic 2021 – 2022



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ESGAR Certificates of Distinction in Abdominal Radiology (Level 1)

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ESGAR Certificates of Excellence in Abdominal Radiology (Level 2)

# ESGAR AMBASSADORS

ESGAR Ambassadors are Fellows of ESGAR, nominated by the Executive Committee for a two-year term, which is renewable. The role of ESGAR Ambassadors can be described as follows:

- to encourage radiologists with a special interest in abdominal radiology to become members of ESGAR
- to encourage ESGAR members to become Fellows of the Society by completing the Subspecialty Recognition Programme
- to advertise ESGAR as a Society, the Annual Meetings and other ESGAR activities at a national and local level

ESGAR is proud to welcome another three new ESGAR Ambassadors in 2022 and thanks all of them for their commitment in serving the Society. If you are an ESGAR member from a country which is not listed below and are interested in becoming Ambassador, please contact the ESGAR Office at [office@esgar.org](mailto:office@esgar.org).

## AUSTRALIA

Dr. Kirsten Gormly  
Dr. Jones and Partners Medical Imaging,  
Adelaide, SA

## CHINA

Prof. Dr. Bin Song  
West China Hospital  
Sichuan University, Chengdu, Sichuan

## AUSTRIA

Dr. Gernot Böhm  
Ordensklinikum Linz, Elisabethinen, Linz

## CZECH REPUBLIC

Prof. Vlastimil Valek  
Masaryk University/University Hospital, Brno

## BALTIC COUNTRIES

Assoc.Prof. Maija Radzina  
Paula Stradina Clinical University Hospital, Riga

## DENMARK

Prof. Soren Rafaelsen  
University of Southern Denmark, Vejle

## BELGIUM

Dr. Bart Op De Beeck  
Universitair Ziekenhuis Antwerpen, Edegem

## FRANCE

Prof. Jean-Pierre Tasu  
Centre Hospitalier Universitaire, Poitiers

## BRAZIL

Prof. Nelson Caserta  
HC Unicamp, Campinas

## GERMANY

Prof. Thomas Lauenstein  
Evangelisches Krankenhaus, Düsseldorf

Dr. Luciana Costa

Brazilian College of Radiology  
Colégio Brasileiro de Radiologia e Diagnóstico  
por Imagem, São Paulo

## GREECE

Dr. Charikleia Triantopoulou  
"Konstantopoulou Agia Olga" General Hospital,  
Athens

## CANADA

Prof. Tae Kyoung Kim  
University Health Network/Mount Sinai  
Hospital/Women's College Hospital, Toronto, ON

## INDIA

Dr. Saugata Sen  
Tata Medical Center, Kolkata

# ESGAR AMBASSADORS

## INDIA

Assoc.Prof. Binit Sureka  
All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS),  
Jodhpur

## IRAN

Dr. Amir Reza Radmard  
Shariati Hospital, Tehran University of Medical  
Sciences, Tehran

## IRELAND

Dr. Carmel Cronin  
Mater Misericordiae University Hospital,  
Dublin

## ISRAEL

Prof. Arye Blachar  
Sourasky Medical Center, Tel Aviv

## ITALY

Dr. Ennio Biscaldi  
Duchess of Galliera Hospital, Genoa

## JAPAN

Prof. Hiromu Mori  
University Faculty of Medicine, Oita

## KOREA, REPUBLIC OF

Dr. Jeong Min Lee  
National University Hospital, Seoul

## MALTA

Dr. Kelvin Cortis  
Mater Dei Hospital, Msida

## NETHERLANDS, THE

Dr. Julien B.C.M. Puylaert  
MCH Westeinde Hospital, The Hague

## NORWAY

Prof. Anne Negård  
Akershus University Hospital and University  
of Oslo, Lørenskog

## POLAND

Prof. Andrzej Cieszanowski  
Medical University, Warsaw

## PORTUGAL

Dr. Jose Venancio  
IPOLFG – Instituto Português de Oncologia,  
Lisbon

## ROMANIA

Prof. Dr. Ioana Gabriela Lupescu  
Fundeni Clinical Institute, University of  
Medicine and Pharmacy Carol Davila,  
Bucharest

## RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Prof. Grigory Karmazanovsky  
A.V. Vishnevsky National Medical Research  
Center of Surgery, Moscow

## SERBIA

Prof. Sanja Stojanovic  
Clinical Centre Novi Sad, Novi Sad

## SPAIN

Dr. Jordi Rimola  
Hospital Clinic Barcelona, Barcelona

## SWEDEN

Dr. Nikolaos Kartalis  
Karolinska University Hospital, Stockholm

## SWITZERLAND

Dr. Cäcilia Reiner  
University Hospital Zurich, Zurich

## TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Dr. Alexander Sinanan  
University of the West Indies, Champs Fleurs

## TURKEY

Prof. Sukru Mehmet Erturk  
Istanbul University School of Medicine, Istanbul

## UNITED KINGDOM

Dr. Emma Helbren  
Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust,  
Cottingham

## UNITED STATES

Prof. Perry J. Pickhardt  
University of Wisconsin, School of Medicine,  
Madison, WI

# ESGAR RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT 2022

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2022 has been a busy year for the research committee as we came out of the current Covid-19 pandemic and finally met face to face again in Lisbon. The mentoring programme included a face-to-face component at the Annual Meeting and will undergo redesign for 2023. We awarded new research seed grants and the ESGAR research fellowship. A new Visiting PhD student programme was introduced. Several guidelines were completed or commenced.

## ESGAR Research Tutorials

Three research tutorials were held at the 2022 Annual Meeting in Lisbon

M. Maas/S. Bipat: Understanding the level of evidence – how to critically review and grade the quality of scientific literature

N. Papanikolaou: Reading another AI paper? – what to really look for

Y. Menu: Writing the perfect paper review

D. Lambregts / A. Plumb also ran an online tutorial about getting an abstract ready for the ESGAR Annual Meeting

## ESGAR Research Mentorship

The individual mentoring programme continued but in addition a series of informal group speed mentoring sessions were held at the Annual Meeting, hosted by senior ESGAR fellows. Following a consultation exercise, the mentorship programme has been updated in collaboration with Young ESGAR and will take the form of peer-to-peer programme following a stepwise approach aiming to complete a small-scale research project and prepare a submission for the Annual Meeting. Informal group mentorship sessions will continue at the Annual Meeting with senior ESGAR fellows.

## ESGAR Research Grants and Fellowship

The first of the new research seed grants were awarded. The winners are Dr. Uli Fehrenbach, Berlin/DE and Dr. Jules Gregory, Clichy/FR.

Also the new ESGAR research fellow was awarded, hosted by The Netherlands Cancer Institute. The winner is Dr. Mohamed Adel Abdelatty Elsayed, Cairo/EG.

## Research map and Visiting PhD student programme

A process of update and renewal of the ESGAR research map is underway, together with the introduction of a Visiting PhD student programme, where institutions can host a visiting PhD student for one or two weeks. The student will gain research experience at the host department and form collaborative networks as their research career develops.

## Guidelines – Recently published

The following guidelines were published between October 2021 to November 2022

- Imaging standardisation in metastatic colorectal cancer: A joint EORTC-ESOI-ESGAR expert consensus recommendation (European Journal of Cancer)
- Management and follow-up of gallbladder polyps: updated joint guidelines between the ESGAR, EAES, EFISDS and ESGE (European Radiology)
- ECCO-ESGAR Topical Review on Optimizing Reporting for Cross-Sectional Imaging in IBD (Journal of Crohn's and Colitis)

## Ongoing guideline developments

- ESGAR/SAR Quantification diffuse liver diseases (L. Martí-Bonmati)
- ESGAR/ESUR Guidelines on CT in Acute Abdomen (M. Zins)
- ESGAR ESUR PSOGI guideline Imaging of peritoneal carcinomatosis (M. Lahaye)
- ESGAR/EANM Consensus Guidelines for Imaging Anal Cancer (V. Goh, M. Maas)
- ESGAR Guidelines for the Diagnostic Cross Sectional Imaging in Primary sclerosing cholangitis and Primary Biliary Cirrhosis (D. Ippolito)
- ESGAR Guideline initiative focused on the imaging protocols and image reporting guidelines for patients with advanced pelvic tumours prior to pelvic exenteration (D. Lambregts, S. Nougaret)
- ESSD/ESGAR Technical performance of videofluoroscopic swallowing studies (VFSS) in patients with swallowing disorders (M. Scharitzer)
- ESGAR guideline for training and quality assurance in CT colonography (A. Plumb, T. Mang)

## Guidelines in collaboration with or supported by ESGAR

UEG ESNM Dysphagia Guidelines - Radiology (M. Scharitzer/O. Ekberg)

European guideline on multidisciplinary management of obstructed defecation – ESCP, UEG, ESGAR, EAGEN and ESGENA Consensus (G. Gallo, C. Reiner)

E-AHPBA, ESSO, ESCP, ESGAR Consensus on the terminology, diagnosis and management of patients with colorectal cancer and synchronous liver metastases (N. Kartalis)

## Committee membership

ESGAR Research Committee (2021 - 2023)

Chair	Stuart A.Taylor, London/UK
Fellows	Isabelle de Kock, Ghent/BE; Doenja Lambregts, Amsterdam/NL; Monique Maas, Amsterdam/NL; Stephanie Nougaret, Montpellier/FR; Andrew Plumb, Esher/UK; Ines Santiago, Lisbon/PT; Soren Rafaelsen, Vejle/DK; Maxime Ronot, Clichy/FR; Vincent Vandecaveye, Leuven/BE
Young ESGAR	Milda Dedelaite, Aalborg/DK; Maira Hameed, London/UK

In 2021 Sofia Gourtsoyianni and Jurgen Runge left the Research Committee. We thank them very much for their hard work.

For further information and download of the guidelines kindly visit the [ESGAR Website](#)

# ESR/ESOR & ESGAR EXCHANGE PROGRAMME FOR ABDOMINAL RADIOLOGY FELLOWSHIP



The trend towards increasing subspecialisation led the European Society of Gastrointestinal and Abdominal Radiology (ESGAR), supported by the European Society of Radiology (ESR) and the European School of Radiology (ESOR), to take the initiative in establishing an exchange programme for fellowships or subspecialisation training in abdominal imaging.

The programme offers the opportunity to complement subspecialisation training in abdominal imaging or an existing structured fellowship programme, through exchange, in this field of radiology. The three-month exchange programme will provide an intense modular training in all areas of abdominal imaging, including conventional radiology and fluoroscopy, sonography, CT, MRI and image-guided biopsies and therapeutic interventions.

The exchange programme is organised through ESOR and exposes trainees to all aspects of abdominal imaging under the supervision of an assigned mentor who is Fellow Member of ESGAR, in a pre-selected European reference training centre.

Congratulations to the successful applicants of 2022!

**Dr. Paulo Pinto, São Paulo/BR**

Leiden University Medical Center, Leiden, NL  
Head of Department and Tutor: Tijmen Korteweg

**Dr. Katharina Lampichler, Vienna/AT**

Hôpital Beaujon, Clichy, FR  
Head of Department: Valerie Vilgrain  
Tutor: Maxime Ronot

**Dr. Kalina Chupetlovska, Sofia/BG**

Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Hospital, The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, NL  
Head of Department: Regina Beets-Tan  
Tutor: Max Lahaye

**Dr. José Weisz, Santiago/CL**

Hospital Universitario y Politécnico La Fe, Valencia, ES  
Head of Department: Luis Martí-Bonmatí  
Tutors: Luis Martí-Bonmatí, Asunción Torregrosa Andrés

# ESGAR AND UEG



ESGAR is an ordinary member of UEG (United European Gastroenterology) and as such ESGAR is represented within all relevant UEG Committees.

These ESGAR activities within UEG rely on the continuous work of nominated delegates representing the Society – THANK YOU!

UEG Education Committee:	C.J. Zech, Basel/CH, 2019 – 2024
UEG Meeting of Members:	M.A. Bali, Brussels/BE, 2019 – 2022 followed by S. Gourtsoyianni, Athens/GR (2023 – 2026) C.J. Zech, Basel/CH, 2021 – 2024 S.A. Taylor, London/UK, 2022 – 2025
UEG Research Committee:	A. Plumb, London/UK, 2020 – 2023
UEG Scientific Committee:	G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT, 2019 – 2022 followed by N. Kartalis, Stockholm/SE (2023 – 2026)
YOUNG UEG/Quality of Care Task Force Member:	D. Lambregts, Amsterdam/NL, 2019 – 2024

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### UEG Education Committee

The Education Committee coordinates training and education in the UEG and among the UEG member societies. Due to the pandemic situation, from 2020 on many traditional formats of learning like hands-on courses or face-to-face workshops have not been possible any longer. This fostered the rapid evolvement of online activities, with webinars, e-learning and other forms of digital learning. However, the committee has also recognised that these formats are not able to cover all aspects of education, and new forms of blended learning as well as resuming to traditional workshops have been done by the UEG, but also by ESGAR and other UEG members.

One flagship project of the Education Committee has been the new concept of the so called MasterClass. This incorporates blended learning with digital and face-to-face activities as well as a true interdisciplinary learning atmosphere and faculty on a very specific, circumscribed topic. The first masterclass took place in 2021 on the topic of Chronic pancreatitis with M.A. Bali as the ESGAR representative and the second just recently in November 2022 on colorectal cancer with Ines Santiago as the ESGAR representative. We are looking forward to new editions on various topics in the future and encourage our eligible ESGAR members to apply for participation.

# ESGAR AND UEG



## Meeting of Members

The UEG meeting of members took place on Saturday Oct 8th 2022 in Vienna. The main business was the election of a new treasurer, approval of minor amendments to the UEG statutes and voting on the membership application from Moldova. The UEG strategic plan was then presented which emphasised the organisation's purpose to, with member societies, inspire and support collaboration by providing services for all health care professionals and researchers in the broad area of digestive health. The 2023 to 2026 strategic plan was discussed, grouped into UEG week, education, research and the UEG journal, quality of care and public affairs. Finally there was discussion around the recently published "White Book 2: Burden of digestive diseases and research priorities", which gives a comprehensive pan-European review of GI disease burden, helping to identify areas for strategic investment

## Research Committee

The Research Committee is a multi-disciplinary group of research-active clinicians and basic science researchers who aim to promote digestive health in Europe and internationally. A key goal is to encourage funders, including governments and European institutions, to invest strategically in digestive health. In conjunction with other arms of the UEG, the committee also advocates for parliamentarians and other legislators to introduce research-based policies. A major output during 2022 has been the development of the White Book 2, a commissioned study to estimate the burden of digestive diseases across Europe, and the associated research gaps. This has shown worrying increases in the prevalence of several digestive diseases since 2000, several of which are significantly under-researched. This will help identify priority areas for research investment and advocacy both across Europe and within individual member nations. It is freely available on the web for all to read - do take a look. As ever, the Research Committee also co-ordinates the UEG Research Fellowship and Research Prize (for early career researchers and established research leaders respectively). Please do take a look on the UEG website and consider applying yourself!

## Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee, entrusted with developing the core programme of UEG Week, is composed of a truly multidisciplinary group of the most renowned scientists and researchers in the field of gastroenterology. The group meets four times a year and is in constant communication with the UEG Secretariat to smooth out the details of the scientific programme. This on-going and dynamic relationship is key to the high-quality programme people have come to expect at UEG Week. In October 2022 the first-ever UEG hybrid congress attracted 10,811 participants from 115 countries, with approximately 80% joining in-person in Vienna. More than 2900 abstracts were submitted, and 430 faculty contributed to the success of the meeting. ESGAR members were involved as speakers and moderators in several sessions, with diverse topics such as diagnosis and management of pancreatic cysts, response evaluation of liver tumours, staging of pancreatic adenocarcinoma and imaging of biliopancreatic diseases, staging of oesophageal neoplasms and the role of interventional radiology in lower GI bleeding. The next UEG week will be held in October 2023 in Copenhagen.

# ESGAR AND UEG



## Quality of Care (QoC) Committee

In close coordination with UEG member societies including ESGAR, the UEG Quality of Care (QoC) Committee (previously named QoC task force) maintains a repository of GI standards and guidelines (accessible via the UEG GI guidelines app that was launched in 2022) and coordinates other initiatives to help promote and disseminate standards of digestive healthcare via the “Activity Grants”. The next call for the activity grant will open in February 2023. In 2022, ESGAR participated in the European guideline on multidisciplinary management of obstructed defecation syndrome, which was granted one of the four activity grants awarded in 2022. Since 2019, Doenja Lambregts is representing ESGAR in the UEG Quality of Care Committee, where she is now also part of a working group focused on developing European quality indicators for GI healthcare.

## Young Talent Group (YTG)

The UEG young talent group (YTG) develops initiatives for young GI specialists and promotes the active participation of junior physicians and researchers within UEG in collaboration with the young GI sections of various national societies (“friends of the YTG”) and UEG member societies including Young ESGAR. YTG initiatives include the Young GI network and mentoring programme and the visiting fellowship programmes. In May 2022, the YTG organised a well-attended friends of YTG networking event in Vienna where young GI specialists from various societies met to share their experiences and ideas and had a lively discussion about potential collaborations. This meeting was attended by Doenja Lambregts who has been representing Young ESGAR within the UEG YTG since 2019.

# ESGAR AND ECCO



ESGAR Liaison officer for ECCO: P. Paolantonio, Rome/IT

The 4<sup>th</sup> ECCO-ESGAR Basic Imaging Workshop was cancelled in 2022 due to the Covid pandemic.

The previous 3 editions reported successful results with overall 118 attendees coming from Europe, North America, South America, Asia and Australia.

The overall satisfaction score was 4,23 on a five-point scale.

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# ESGAR AND OTHER SOCIETIES

ESGAR is proud to collaborate with the following Societies:

**EASL**

European Association for the Study of the Liver

**EPC**

European Pancreatic Club

**ECCO**

European Crohn's and Colitis Organisation

**ESCP**

European Society of Coloproctology

**EDS**

European Digestive Surgery

**ESP**

European Society of Pathology

**ESDO**

European Society of Digestive Oncology

**ESPGHAN**

European Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition

**ESGE**

European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy

**ESPR**

European Society of Paediatric Radiology

**ESSAT**

European Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract

**ESUR**

European Society of Urogenital Radiology

**EORTC**

European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer

**ARGANZ**

Abdominal Radiology Group Australia and New Zealand

**KSAR**

Korean Society of Abdominal Radiology

**ASAR**

Asian Society of Abdominal Radiology

**SAR**

Society of Abdominal Radiology

# ESGAR AND SOCIAL MEDIA

ESGAR maintains an active presence on four main social media sites: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn. These accounts are updated throughout the year by the Central ESGAR Office, ESGAR Social Media Advocates, and Young ESGAR Social Media Advocates. New posts are published on multiple platforms simultaneously and are a convenient way to keep up to date with new announcements, courses and conference deadlines, new ESGAR Journal Watch and Case of the Month, and dedicated Young ESGAR cases.

Here is a summary of the various platforms (updated on December 21, 2022).

## Facebook

@esgarsociety joined Facebook in November 2015 and has the largest number of followers on ESGAR social media channels with 3571 people following the ESGAR page (increase from 2700 in 2021) and with posts reaching 3000 people in the last 90 days.

## Twitter

@esgarsociety joined Twitter in April 2016 and the number of followers has starkly increased in the last two years with 2200 current followers (increase from 1293 in 2021) with a total number of 157 tweets and over 250.000 tweet impressions over the past year. The ESGAR Twitter page actively promotes the activities of the ESGAR members by retweeting most relevant contents. We invite you to tag @EsgarSociety in your tweets on abdominal radiology topics.

## Instagram

@esgarsociety joined Instagram in December 2017 and has now 1493 followers (increase from 1194 in 2021) with 364 post and several Instagram stories published.

## LinkedIn

@esgarsociety joined LinkedIn in 2017 and has now 787 followers (increase from 514 in 2021). We encourage you to add ESGAR to your personal LinkedIn profile as a company you are involved in, and link to our page.

In 2023 we are looking to enrich the social media contents with a weekly programme of educational material and ESGAR activities, including updates of future ESGAR meeting, Case of the Month, Journal Watch, and exclusive online Young ESGAR cases. We invite you to follow ESGAR on your favorite social media channel and interact with our social profiles!

### Social Media Advocates:

Roberto Cannella, Palermo/IT; Adriana Mirela Calin, Cluj-Napoca/RO

### Young ESGAR Social Media Advocate:

Marta Zerunian, Rome/IT



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