

EUREOS Annual Report 2017/18

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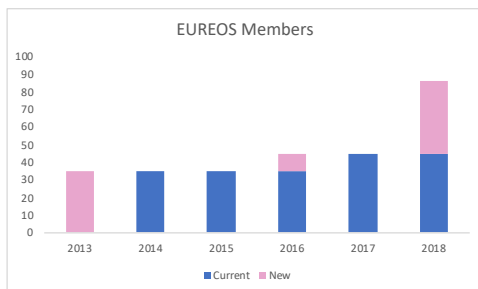
ABOUT EUREOS

EUREOS is the meeting point for clinicians and researchers to share knowledge on EoE. The objective of the Corporation is to establish and maintain a network and a communication platform for physicians and researchers with a specific interest in eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE) and eosinophilic gastro-enteritis and/or eosinophilic colitis in Europe.

Steering Committee

The EUREOS steering committee 2017-2018 consists of Arjan Bredenoord (President 2017-2019), Alfredo Lucendo (Vice-President 2017-2019), Stephan Miehke (Treasurer) and Luc Biedermann (Secretary).

Members



EUREOS is currently supported by 82 members from 16 different European countries. We invite all physicians and scientist interested in EoE or wanting to support our work to become a member. Members can participate in the annual general assembly and play an active role in deciding about future activities of EUREOS.

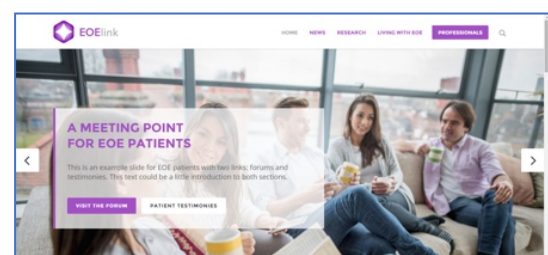
Communication Platform



EUREOS has designed and built two web platform to spread knowledge on EoE, as a reference resource to provide patients, caregivers and physicians with information regarding the disease.

The corporate website <http://eureos.online/> is mainly targeted to physicians and corporate partners.

EoE LINK aims to become a multilingual reference tool for EoE patients, their families and caregivers, but also for healthcare professionals and researchers involved in EoE. It puts forward to become the meeting point for everyone involved with EoE. The site and contents comply with the HONcode standards for trustworthy health: www.eoelink.eu



PAST & CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Research

EoE CONNECT

European Registry of Clinical, Environmental and Genetic Determinants in Eosinophilic Esophagitis

EUREOS has created an advanced multilingual EoE registry with the goal to improve knowledge on epidemiology, its evolving trends, and on its burden to the health systems across Europe. The registry will serve as a base for implementation of further prospective collaborative studies and is open to patients from all Europe. To date about 300 patients have been registered in EoE CONNECT.

Detailed research objectives are the following:

- To describe the socio-demographical and clinical characteristics as well as personal antecedents of EoE patients.
- To examine the relationship between time of disease onset, length of diagnostic delay, and disease phenotypes.
- To determine the influence of environmental and genetic factors on the time of onset, natural history and course of EoE.
- To analyse the use, effectiveness, and safety of the different therapeutic interventions in EoE, both in short and long term, using the standardized set of outcomes.
- To examine the burden of disease costs associated with EoE in adults.

EoE CONNECT is run under the patronage of EUREOS with a scientific committee of ten international EoE experts. Contributors that have added more than 30 patients in the EoE registry can submit a study request to the scientific committee using the data in the EoE registry.

Industry-driven clinical trials

EUREOS has been approached by several companies to collaborate in their next trials. If you are interested in participation as a study centre and you have the facilities please contact us.

Education

International events

The international Dr. Falk Foundation Symposium on Eosinophilic Esophagitis took place in Berlin in 2017 and was visited by close to 700 attendees.

National events

- January 2018 – Amsterdam
A local evening symposium in Amsterdam on Dysphagia and EoE in January 2018 was well visited, showing growing interest in EoE.
- June 8-9th, 2018 – Madrid
The Spanish Association of Gastroenterology (AEG) hosted a two-day symposium hosted by Dr. Falk. The symposium was video-streamed and is accessible on the AEG-website (talks in Spanish).
- September 14th 2018 - Munich
During the Annual Meeting of the German Gastroenterology Society, a Dr. Falk Satellite Symposium on EoE was conducted.
- November 2nd, 2018 - Hamburg
A State-of-the-Art lecture on EoE will be given during the Endoclub Nord Meeting, which is traditionally visited by more than 2500 attendees.

Expert recommendations

PPI-Responsive Esophageal Eosinophilia (PPI-REE)

Under the patronage of EUREOS a position statement on PPI-REE was developed:

Proton Pump Inhibitor-Responsive Oesophageal Eosinophilia: An Entity Challenging Current Diagnostic Criteria for Eosinophilic Oesophagitis. Molina-Infante et al., Gut 2016 Mar;65(3):524-31

Diagnostic criteria for eosinophilic esophagitis

Updated international consensus diagnostic criteria for eosinophilic esophagitis: Proceedings of the AGREE conference. Dellon et al., Gastroenterology. 2018 Jul 12.

Summary of the updated international consensus diagnostic criteria for eosinophilic esophagitis: AGREE conference. Spergel et al., Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol. 2018 Jul 17.

Food hypersensitivity

In collaboration with EAACI the following work was possible:

Eosinophilic esophagitis is characterized by a non-IgE-mediated food hypersensitivity. Simon et al., Allergy. 2016 May;71(5):611-20.

Patient Advocacy

Collaboration with ADESEO

A collaboration agreement has been recently signed between EUREOS, the European Society of Eosinophilic Esophagitis, and ADESEO, the Spanish Association of Patients with EoE, to promote knowledge about this disease among patients affected, their families and caregivers throughout Europe. The agreement also pursues the development and sharing of educational resources and exchanging contents from their respective webpages, in benefit of the EoE community.

National events

A national patient educational event organized by the Swiss EoE Network in Zurich attracted more than 100 participants.

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