



EACS Newsletter - July 2020

HIV NEWS



Interview with Dr. Cristiana Oprea on the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

On the occasion of the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, which aims to foster a global action to counter drug abuse, the EACS secretariat interviewed Dr. Cristiana Oprea, the Head of the HIV Department at Victor Babes Clinical Hospital for Infectious and Tropical Diseases in Bucharest, Romania. Dr. Cristiana Oprea's work is focused on HIV and opportunistic infections (tuberculosis and neurological complications), co-infections with viral hepatitis in people who inject drugs (PWIDs), and standards of care for HIV and co-infections in Eastern and Central Europe.

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AFRAVIH issued a new book on "HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health"

"HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health", supervised by Prof Christine Katlama (France), Dr. Jade Ghosn (France), and Prof Gilles Wandeler (Switzerland), is a collective work by AFRAVIH's network of over 190 experts spanning 17 countries. This comprehensive work geared at all French-speaking healthcare professionals and community actors offers updated insights on treatment and prevention strategies for HIV and hepatitis, and also covers sexual health as a fundamental aspect of human health.

You can find a short video presentation of the book [here](#). Moreover, it is available in paper format from publisher EDP Sciences (livres@edpsciences.org) and is also downloadable free of charge as an ebook from [here](#).

EACS European Regional Elections coming up!

This October, the EACS European Regional Elections will take place. All European members who have paid their membership fee before 14 September 2020 will be able to vote.

Don't miss the opportunity to participate in these elections. Your voice counts!

[Renew your membership here](#)

EACS new Articles of Association

On 14 May 2020, EACS held an extraordinary General Assembly during which the Articles of Association were amended. These new Articles of Association are finally implemented after in-depth consideration and following the principle of good governance.

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Best practices in the management of women living with HIV- 18 & 22 July 2020

Recently, the United Conference of Hepatogastroenterology and Infectious Diseases (UCHID) and Kasr Al-Aini HIV and Viral Hepatitis Fighting Group have decided to go virtual for their medical education plans in 2020. The first topic "Women Living with HIV" was initially planned as one face-to-face scientific day earlier in March but based on the current situation it will be held as two separate virtual meetings on Saturday 18th & Wednesday 22nd of July 2020. The meetings will discuss recent medical recommendations for women living with HIV in limited-resources settings, social & economic challenges that women face, highlights from CROI & AIDS 2020, and also recent guidance for supporting women in the time of COVID-19 pandemic.

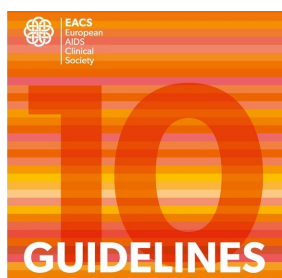
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EACS Resource Library

You can access below all the materials and information related to the European AIDS Conference and the EACS core activities.

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EACS Guidelines version 10.0 Website

Have a look at the new interactive website of the latest version of the European Guidelines for the treatment of PLWH in Europe; you can find it in the link below.

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EACS Social Media Accounts

Don't forget to check EACS social media accounts to stay updated on the most important news related to HIV care. We are on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Youtube](#).

Meet EACS Vice President



Sanjay Bhagani

Dr. **Sanjay Bhagani** is a **Consultant Physician** in Infectious Diseases/HIV Medicine at the Royal Free London Foundation Trust and an honorary Senior Lecturer in the Research Department of Infection at UCL, London. Born and brought up in Kenya, he went to Medical School in the UK and trained in Infectious Diseases and HIV Medicine in London.

He has a busy and varied clinical practice with a particular interest in the management of opportunistic infections, mycobacterial disease, viral hepatitis, and solid organ transplantation in HIV-infected patients. He leads a large multidisciplinary tertiary referral **HIV/hepatitis co-infection** service which is intricately linked to the regional viral hepatitis service and transplant centre.

He is the current **Chair** of the **BHIVA Hepatitis Committee** and has served on the anti-infective expert advisory group of the MHRA. He is also a current **member** of the **EACS HIV/hepatitis management guidelines committee** and the **BHIVA HIV/hepatitis guidelines group**. He has contributed to the BHIVA renal transplant guidelines in HIV-infected patients and the WHO European region guidelines on the management of HBV/HIV co-infection.



CALENDAR

EACS Events:

- **22 July-12 August 2020:** Nomination EACS European Regional Elections
- **12 October-3 November 2020:** Voting EACS European Regional Elections
- **22-23 October 2020:** Standard of Care for HIV and Coinfections in Europe meeting.
- **11-12 December 2020:** EACS Young Investigators (YING). [More info.](#)
- **Q3 2021:** HIV Summer School. [More info.](#)

Other Events:

- **18 and 22 July 2020:** Best practices in the management of women living with HIV. [More info.](#)
- **7-10 September 2020:** Fast-Track Cities 2020. [More info.](#)
- **4-7 October 2020:** Virtual HIV Glasgow 2020. [More info.](#)
- **14-16 October 2020:** PENTA course in Rome, Italy. [More info.](#)
- **1 December 2020:** World AIDS Day



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