



EACS Newsletter - March 2021

NEWS



18th European AIDS Conference

The 18th European AIDS Conference will be organised in London in a hybrid format from **27-30 October 2021**.

The main sessions will be translated into Russian. We are confident that this will give Eastern-Central European countries the opportunity to increase their participation.

Registration, abstract and clinical cases submission will open soon.

A reduced fee is available for allied professionals, students and community members.

[For more information](#)

European Hector Research Award in HIV 2021

The H.W. & J. Hector Foundation, Weinheim, is announcing a prize for European HIV research, which will be awarded for the best scientific achievements in the HIV research area in 2020.

Any paper on an HIV-related topic that has been accepted or published in a peer-reviewed journal within the last 24 months (i.e. from October 27, 2019) before the start of the 18th European AIDS Conference can be submitted.

[More information](#)

EACS Live! Journal Club by YING

YING is launching their monthly Journal Club!

The first session entitled *"Preprints in the COVID era: lifesaving or hazardous?"* will take place online on **14 April 2021** at 16:00 CET.

It will consist of a pro-con debate with illustrative examples on how preprints can either shape or distort our understanding of COVID-19, and will discuss the role of peer-review for evidence-based medical practice. It will be chaired by Dr Oana Sandulescu.

Presenters: Dr Victor Daniel Miron and Dr Rocio Montejano Sanchez.

Scientific panel: Dr José I. Bernardino.

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WAVE Workshop in Ukraine 2021

The next WAVE Workshop in Ukraine will be held online on **19-20 May 2021** and **9-10 June 2021**.

[More information coming soon](#)

EACS at ECCMID 2021

EACS will co-organise two sessions at the 31st European Congress of Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases (ECCMID), taking place in Vienna, Austria from **9-12 July 2021**.

HIV in Europe: getting to zero (1-hour symposium)

- Innovative approaches to increase uptake of HIV testing
- Strategies for HIV prevention: TasP, PrEP and PEP

Standards of care in HIV management: where are we? (Educational workshop)

- European standards of care: where are we?
- HIV and hepatitis audit: final results
- PrEP in Europe: how is implementation and equity of access moving ahead

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HepHIV 2021

The next HepHIV conference will take place **5-7 May 2021** in a mixed face-to-face and virtual format involving participants from across community, public health and the health system. The conference will focus on the latest evidence, best practices, achievements and challenges in the field of viral hepatitis, HIV, tuberculosis (TB) and sexually transmitted infections (STI) prevention, testing and care, highlighting progress achieved in testing policy implementation since the ECDC integrated testing guidance was released in 2018. The conference will also specifically address the impact of and lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic on the availability and provision of testing and other health services.

[For more information](#)

First WEEPI-funded projects being rolled-out

The Western-Eastern European Partnership Initiative on HIV, viral hepatitis and tuberculosis (WEEPI) awarded its first grants in late summer 2020. Seven 'stage 1' projects, covering a range of clinical and implementation research topics across the three disease, have been initiated and are being implemented by project teams in four countries in dialogue with WEEPI-affiliated researchers. The projects are at various stages of implementation but all are in progress despite of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

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EATG PROMS in HIV Research

EATG did research into the use of PROMs for the development of new HIV medicines. Led by the community, the work comprised of a literature review, a survey with people living with HIV taking treatment and stakeholder interviews. The purpose of the work is to describe the current use of PROMs in HIV research and development as well as to inform an advocacy agenda to guide the use and development of PROMs, highlighting the role of communities living with or affected by HIV. It provides a concrete set of recommendations for people living with HIV, pharmaceutical companies, researchers/clinicians and regulatory bodies/HTAs.

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Health Evidence Network Synthesis Report (HEN Report)

WHO/Regional Office for Europe and a team of researchers are conducting a Health Evidence Network Synthesis Report (HEN Report) in which they aim to identify national policies, strategies and guidelines in the WHO European Region on TB, HIV and viral hepatitis services for migrant populations. As part of this work, WHO has carried out a review of the academic, policy, and grey literature in this area through a search of key databases and policy documents. However, WHO is aware that there may be ongoing work or approaches that are not captured in publicly available published documents and reports.

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Call for submission of good practices on response to TB, HIV and viral Hepatitis during the COVID-19 pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has had negative impact on health service delivery and the response to many diseases including TB, HIV and viral Hepatitis. Since the beginning of the pandemic, countries, territories, partners and communities have put all efforts to adapt services to the situation. In order to document and disseminate successful examples in response to the three diseases during the pandemic, WHO/Europe is issuing a call to Member States, partners and community organizations across the European Region to submit their good practices.

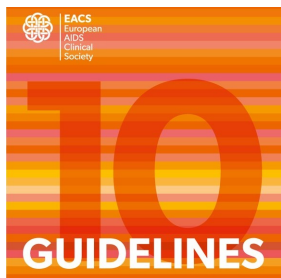
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You can access below all the materials and information related to the European AIDS Conference and the EACS core activities.

[More info](#)



EACS Guidelines version 10.1 Website

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

[More info](#)



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](#).



CALENDAR

EACS Events:

- **14 April 2021:** EACS Live! Journal Club. [More info](#)
- **19-20 May 2021:** WAVE Workshop in Ukraine.
- **9-10 June 2021:** WAVE Workshop in Ukraine.
- **27-30 October 2021:** 18th European AIDS Conference. [More info](#)

Other Events:

- **5-7 May 2021:** HepHIV 2021. [More info](#)
- **17-20 May 2021:** ISHEID 2021. [More info](#)
- **9-12 July 2021:** ECCMID 2021. [More info](#)



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