

EACS Newsletter - November 2024



Guidelines update v12.1 is now available!

EACS produces the European Guidelines for the treatment of people living with HIV. The English version is regularly updated by the guidelines panels. The new version 12.1 was presented at HIV Glasgow on Wednesday, 13 November and is now available!

Consult the new Guidelines here.

Governing Board Updates: new members and departures

The new EACS Governing Board members elected in November 2024, will begin their 4year term on 1 January 2025. We're pleased to introduce the new Governing Board below:



We also extend our heartfelt thanks to the outgoing Board members for their dedication and contributions:

- Juan Berenguer, Spain
- Antonella Castagna, Italy
- Jens D. Lundgren, Denmark
- Jean-Michel Molina, France
- Cristina Mussini, Italy
- Cristian Oprea, Romania
- · Jürgen Rockstroh, Germany

Register for the EACS Live! Journal Club on nonsuppressible viraemia

The upcoming Journal Club will take place on **Monday**, **16 December at 14:00-15:00 CET**. Our experts will focus on non-suppressible viraemia.

Low level viraemia is one of the most challenging situations in the clinical care of people with HIV. Non-suppressible viraemia is a special situation where low level viraemia is not attributed to drug resistance or low drug levels to drug-drug interactions or suboptimal adherence. In this new Journal Club we will discuss the pathophysiological mechanisms,

clinical implications and management of non-suppressive viraemia with **Romain Palich**, **Jesper Damsgaard Gunst**, **Maria Mazzitelli** and more YINGers joining the conversation.

Register now!

EACS to join EU Parliament Roundtable on HIV priorities

On 17 December 2024, a Roundtable will be held at the EU-Parliament in Strasbourg, co-organised by MEP Vytenis Andriukaitis (S&D, Lithuania) & MEP Tomislav Sokol (EPP, Croatia) and in collaboration with the European AIDS Clinical Society, UNITE Parliamentarians Network for Global Health and HIV Outcomes.

This invitation-only event will focus on prioritising HIV-related issues in the new European Parliament and European Commission. It aims to raise awareness among MEPs about HIV-related issues across the European landscape. EACS Vice President, Miłosz Parczewski and Treasurer, Christoph Boesecke, will represent EACS, emphasising the need for greater political engagement, and addressing the main roadblocks Europe faces to achieve the 95-95-95 UNAIDS' targets by 2030.

Learn more.

Results from the EACS/ECDC survey presented at the Standard of Care meeting

At the recent EACS Standard of Care meeting in Athens in October 2024, findings from the previously published EACS/ECDC survey were presented highlighting gaps in knowledge about HIV among healthcare workers across Europe. The survey revealed that many were unaware of key facts about HIV prevention, such as the effectiveness of PrEP and the non-transmissibility of HIV with an undetectable viral load. The survey results also shed light on stigmatising in healthcare settings, emphasising the need for continued education and training.

Read the full article.

Answer the WAVE survey on HPV and HIV

The WAVE team invites healthcare professionals across Europe to participate in a survey on anal cancer screening practices for women living with HIV.

This survey aims to gather insights into the clinical protocols followed by nurses, doctors, and allied healthcare professionals in various international settings, with the goal of expanding knowledge on anal cancer screening and improving European guidelines for best practice.

If you are a healthcare professional working with women living with HIV in Europe, please take a few minutes to share your experiences in this survey, open until 6 December 2024.

Click here for more information

Knowledge of HIV testing among medical students in Warsaw: survey results now available

In 2023, a survey study was conducted at the Medical University of Warsaw during the 19th European AIDS Conference in Warsaw. The study, as part of the HIV_week@WUM project, aimed to gather insights into medical students' knowledge of HIV testing and their personal testing experiences. A total of 545 students were surveyed, providing valuable data on this important issue. The results of this study are now available and published.

Click here to read the full article.

Highlights from HIV Glasgow 2024: Key articles and reports now online

The HIV Glasgow Conference took place from 10 to 13 November 2024. It brought together international experts to discuss the latest advancements in HIV treatment, prevention, and care. Multiple reports and articles from the conference are now available.

<u>Click here</u> to explore all the published content.

Join European Testing week!- 18-25 November 2024

European Testing Week is a biannual campaign that encourages organisations across Europe—including those in community, healthcare, and policy sectors—to unite for one week to boost testing efforts and promote early testing for HIV and hepatitis. Since its launch in 2013, it has become a widely recognised event, with hundreds of organisations participating each year.

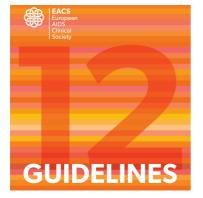
Participants volunteer to organise activities for Testing Week, showing a strong commitment to increasing testing awareness and accessibility.

Organisations support testing access in various ways, including:

- Advocating for free, confidential HIV, hepatitis, and STI testing
- Raising awareness among at-risk populations
- Providing outreach testing services
- Training healthcare staff and students
- · Hosting policy meetings and engaging with the media

Click here to see what you can do





EACS Guidelines version 12.1

Have a look at the website of the latest version of the European Guidelines for the treatment of people living with HIV in Europe.

More info



Free Management of HIV and Coinfections Online Course

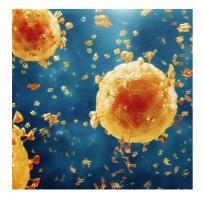
Follow the practical and comprehensive course on management of HIV, including: the latest findings and guidelines on how to manage, treat and prevent HIV and related diseases; optimisation of HIV treatment programmes and other related topics.





Follow us on social media

Don't forget to check EACS social media accounts to stay updated on the most important news related to HIV care. We are on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Youtube</u>.



EACS Resource Library

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

More info



CALENDAR

EACS Activities

- 16 December 2024: EACS Live! Journal Club. Click here
- 17 December 2024: EU Parliament Roundtable

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