

## ESCMID Online News 21 May 2008

### Dear ESCMID and Affiliated Society Member

This year's ECCMID in Barcelona has been an enormous success for our society: with 3655 submitted abstracts and a total of 7965 attendees from 107 countries, the 18th ECCMID has broken all records. Further details will be published in the next issue of ESCMID News. In this edition of Online News, we concentrate on the publication of a few congress highlights and advertise the forthcoming ESCMID Conferences in 2008.

1. **ESCMID Conference on Viral Haemorrhagic Fevers, Istanbul, Turkey, 27-28 June 2008**

Check out the scientific programme and the outstanding faculty of this conference. You can still register online. → [more](#)

2. **ESCMID/FEMS Conference on New Frontiers in Microbiology and Infection: Clostridia: from Old Diseases to New Threats - Basic Science Meets Infectious Diseases, Villar-sur-Ollon, Switzerland, 5-9 October 2008**

This conference will be the fourth of this successful series of joint conferences between ESCMID and FEMS. → [more](#)

3. **The First European Day of Fighting Infection**



On the occasion of ESCMID's 25th anniversary, the "First European Day of Fighting Infection" was launched with a symposium on the historical and sociological impact of infectious diseases. Download the presentations from the ESCMID website. → [more](#)

4. **Major Topics at 18th ECCMID in Barcelona**

Read the ESCMID press releases on important issues and key developments reported. → [more](#)

5. **EU Information Session at 18th ECCMID**

Experienced experts gave practical guidance about the development and submission of successful proposals to the Framework Programme 7. Their presentations are published on the ESCMID website. → [more](#)

6. **Educational Workshops at 18th ECCMID**

All workshops were very well visited. The handouts are now available for download. → [more](#)

7. **EUCAST has recently published "Expert Rules in Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing"**

The document is available for download on the EUCAST website. → [more](#)

8. **European Funding Opportunities, Studies and Reports**



### Forthcoming ESCMID Events

[29-31 May 2008](#)

Fighting Infections due to MDR Gram-positives, ESCMID Conference, Venice, Italy

[9-10 June 2008](#)

Antimicrobial Resistance among Bacterial Pathogens, ASM / ESCMID Workshop, Mexico City, Mexico  
Registration deadline: 31 May 2008

[27-28 June 2008](#)

Viral Haemorrhagic Fevers, ESCMID Conference, Istanbul, Turkey  
Registration deadline: 1 June 2008

[19-25 July 2008](#)

ESCMID Summer School 2008, Regensburg, Germany  
Registration deadline: 5 June 2008

[18-20 September 2008](#)

The Science, Practice and Challenges of LRTI in Primary Care, 3rd GRACE Workshop, Cambridge, UK  
Early registration deadline: 6 June 2008

[4 October 2008](#)

Antibiotics or Not: from Acute Bronchitis to Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Bronchitis, 5th GRACE Postgraduate Course, Berlin, Germany  
Registration via ERS Annual Congress

[5-9 October 2008](#)

Clostridia: from Old Diseases to New Threats - Basic Science Meets Infectious Diseases, ESCMID / FEMS Conference, Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland  
Registration deadline: 21 July 2008

[9-10 October 2008](#)

Moving Forward in Cooperation, ESCMID Workshop on Professional Affairs in Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, Rome, Italy

[5-7 November 2008](#)

Invasive Fungal Diseases: Epidemiology, Diagnosis, Therapy and Antifungal Susceptibility Testing, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course, Nijmegen, The Netherlands

FP7: 3rd Health Call will presumably be published in July 2008. Your National Contact Point (NCP) will be able to provide you with further information. → [more](#)

The Innovative Medicine Initiative (IMI), a public-private research initiative to diminish bottlenecks in the development of new medicines, has launched its first call for proposals. Infectious Diseases is not a topic in the first call but will be included in future calls. → [more](#)

European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP):  
New calls have been published. Please check the website if you are interested in the development of HIV vaccines, etc. → [more](#)

Registration deadline:  
1 September 2008

[8-12 November 2008](#)  
ESCMID / SHEA Training Course in  
Hospital Epidemiology 2008,  
ESCMID Postgraduate Education  
Course,  
Oisterwijk, The Netherlands

[16-19 May 2009](#)  
19th ECCMID  
Helsinki, Finland

Best regards,  
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