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ESCMID STUDY GROUP
FOR ANTIMICROBIAL
RESISTANCE SURVEILLANCE

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ESGARS Annual Report 2010/2011

1) Past Activities:

a. Publications, guidelines and consensus documents

- Giske CG, Cornaglia G. Supranational surveillance of antimicrobial resistance: The legacy of the last decade and proposals for the future. *Drug Resist Updat.* 2010 Aug-Oct;13(4-5):93-8.
- Miriagou V, Cornaglia G, Edelstein M, Galani I, Giske CG, Gniadkowski M, Malamou-Lada E, Martinez-Martinez L, Navarro F, Nordmann P, Peixe L, Pournaras S, Rossolini GM, Tsakris A, Vatopoulos A, Cantón R. Acquired carbapenemases in Gram-negative bacterial pathogens: detection and surveillance issues. *Clin Microbiol Infect.* 2010 Feb;16(2):112-22.
- Carmeli Y, Akova M, Cornaglia G, Daikos GL, Garau J, Harbarth S, Rossolini GM, Souli M, Giamarellou H. Controlling the spread of carbapenemase-producing Gram-negatives: therapeutic approach and infection control. *Clin Microbiol Infect.* 2010 Feb;16(2):102-11.

b. Presentations on behalf of the Study Group at scientific meetings

- (none)

c. Organization of scientific sessions at ECCMID

- Official symposium on: "Antibacterial susceptibility testing and implications for resistance surveillance and treatment" at the 20th ECCMID, 10th April 2010

d. Organization of educational workshops at ECCMID

- Educational Workshop on: "Microbiological methods for screening of MRSA, VRE and ESBL" at the 20th ECCMID, 10th April 2010

e. Organization of scientific meetings and workshops outside ECCMID

- Symposium at the 5th Asian Congress of Pediatric Infectious Diseases (ACPID), Taipei, Taiwan, on 23-26 September 2010
- Workshop at the 4th Ditan International Conference on Infectious Diseases (DICID), Beijing, China, on 15-18 July 2010

f. Organization of educational activities outside ECCMID

- ESCMID post-graduate education course on "Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing and Surveillance: from Laboratory to Clinic - the EUCAST and ESGARS Perspective", Madrid, Spain, September 2010 (co-organized with EUCAST)
- ESGARS/EUCAST Postgraduate Education Courses in Italian Language, Venice 25-26 March 2010. This was the first PGEC in another language than English. The second one was held in Italy in October 2010.



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g. Research projects

- Retrieval of antimicrobial susceptibility data from invasive infections, urinary tract infections and lower respiratory tract infections – a pilot project involving Turkey and Israel. The project has been funded (30,000 EUR), and the aim for 2011 is to establish an interactive database.

2) Planned Activities (please include one sentence stating the main topic/objective/aim of the coming year)

One major objective is to enhance interaction and promote joint activities of ESGARS with EUCAST, other ESCMID Study Groups and other institutions. A further major objective is to produce consensus documents on resistance surveillance methodology and priorities

Another major objective is the establishing of an interactive database for antimicrobial susceptibility data from Turkey and Israel (see above).

Some planned activities:

- ESGARS/EUCAST joint symposium at the 21th ECCMID (Milan, 2011); Surveillance of resistance in *M. tuberculosis* and potential impact of epidemiological cut-off values
- Postgraduate course on quinolone resistance (to be organized in Santander in 2011) – format: a practical course for approximately 30 participants

3) Administration:

a. Number of current members

- NOT COMPUTABLE BECAUSE OF THE CHANGED REGISTRATION SYSTEM

b. Agenda for the General Assembly / Business Meeting

1. Activity report: 2010
2. Future activities:
 - Courses and other educational activities
 - Proposals for scientific initiatives
 - Editorial activities
3. Interaction with EUCAST and other ESCMID Study Groups
4. General Assembly meeting 2010
5. Any other business



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4) Finances:

Year	Date	Project	Debitor / Kreditor	Currency	Debit	Credit	Saldo €
2010	1/01/10	Saldovortrag ESGARS	Apobank	EUR		4.396,18*	4.396,18
2010	31/03/10	Zinsen	Apobank	EUR		2,75	4.398,93
2010	27/04/10	Zinsen ESGARS	Apobank	EUR		0,61	4.399,54
2010	5/05/10	Poster Printing	Giske Christian	EUR	132,53	4.267,01	
2010	7/06/10	ESCMID SG contribution		EUR		2.000,00	6.267,01
2010	31/12/10	Research Grant 2010	Giske Christian	EUR		30.000,00	36.267,01

*20,000 Euros from ESCMID for organizing the Consensus Conference in Athens (spent aprox. 15,600).