

EFISG mission and objectives

The advent of modern medicine with the high volume of immunosuppressed patients has greatly increased the susceptible population for fungal infections world-wide. Autopsy studies in Europe have shown striking increases in invasive fungal infections, many of which are undiagnosed at death. New antifungal drugs are available, some with better safety profiles than amphotericin B, others with better efficacy but none with uniformly high cure rates. Multiple questions abound – including issues of pharmacodynamics, genetic predisposition, optimal diagnostics, altering epidemiology, combination therapy, and many more.

This ESCMID Fungal Study Group brings together not only Europe's top clinicians, diagnosticians and researchers in invasive fungal infections but also the growing body of interested young physicians and researchers to create a geographically dispersed critical mass of expertise to address many of these questions.

The EFISG Executive Committee

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4th Meeting of the ECMM/ISHAM Working Group on Fungal Respiratory Infections in Cystic Fibrosis (Fri-CF), Osuna- Spain, 5-6 June 2017
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EFISG activities

Our idea is to promote specific topics within mycology, to increase the visibility of fungal diseases, to support both the education and training of mycologists at all stages of their careers, to develop guidelines and to position statements in mycology:

- Organisation of scientific sessions at ECCMID
- Organisation of educational workshops at ECCMID
- Organisation of educational activities all around the world
- Organisation of scientific meetings and workshops all around the world

Major research projects are:

Mixed Yeast infections

Emerging fungal infections

Azole resistance in *Aspergillus*

Scedosporium Lung - practice survey

Guidelines related to fungal topics

Participation to our Study Group is open to ESCMID members with interest in fungal diseases!

It will be a great pleasure to cooperate with you-join us!

Questions?

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EFISG Business Meeting:

April 14 @11.00 h Room G106/107, Amsterdam RAI

EFISG website

http://www.escmid.org/research_projects/study_groups/fungal_infection/