



## Newsletter IV; November 2025

### Message from the Study group Executive Committee (EC)

#### Dear ESGCP members

ESGCP currently has over 1000 active members and would especially like to welcome new members. We hope that as our heterogeneous group is growing, we can help and inspire each other further in the field of parasitology.

In this Newsletter we would like to present the following news:

- Google group for ESGCP communications
- General ews from ESCMID
  - Webinars
  - Winners of the Top-up funding.
- ESCMID Global 2026, accepted parasitology sessions
- Study Group publication guidelines

#### Google group for ESGCP communications:

As mentioned, ESGCP currently has more than 1000 members. We are very happy about it, though this makes communication by mail difficult, due to limitations concerning the maximum number of recipients that the sender is allowed to mail within a defined time-period before being labeled as a spam-mailer. To overcome this, we have created an ESGCP google group called: Study Group for Clinical Parasitology (ESGCP). Hanne Brekke has sent invitations to all members, but not all have joined so far. Please let us know if you have not received the invitation to the google group, and we will re-send it (but look in spam mail box also).

Send all queries to: [hanne\\_brekke@hotmail.com](mailto:hanne_brekke@hotmail.com) or [habrek2@ous-hf.no](mailto:habrek2@ous-hf.no)

If your work email provider does not allow you joining the google group, please let us know and indicate a private email address, so we can send a new invitation to the private mail address.

#### News from ESCMID:

Next year's ESCMID Global will be in Munich, Germany, from 17-21 April 2026. Abstract submission for ESCMID Global 2026 is open until 26 November 2025. Information about abstract submission and template can be found on the congress website (<https://www.escmid.org/congress-events/escmid-global/munich-2026/>)



Young clinicians (in clinical microbiology or infectious diseases training) are also invited to submit cases for the Clinical Grand Round (CGR) session at ESCMID-Global. Application is done by:

- A. Submitting an abstract as a case report/series (category 13)
- B. Indicating interest in the CGR session at ESCMID Global
- C. Uploading proof of enrolment in a clinical microbiology/infectious diseases training program

Registration for ESCMID Global 2026 is open, and we hope to see as many as possible there. We already know of at least five sessions in the field of parasitology that will be held in Munich. See below for further details.

Please always refer to [www.escmid.org](http://www.escmid.org) for the full and updated set of news from the Society!

### **WEBINARS:**

On 30th October 2025, the Parasite Morphology Hub (PMH) held its first Webinar on  
**“Parasite morphology masterclass”.**

The webinar included talks from the following parasitology specialists: Dr Bobbi Pritt (Rochester, Minnesota, USA), Dr Blaine Mathison (Salt Lake City, USA), Dr Richard Bradbury (Townsville, Australia) and Dr Charlotte Sriruttan (Johannesburg, South Africa).

More than 500 people joined in for the Webinar, and it was a great success.

Both this webinar and the webinar held on the 4 June 2025:

**“Leishmaniasis in the face of internal unrest and conflicts in Syria”**

are recorded and available in the ESCMID Library after login into ESCMID website.

### **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FROM ESGCP**

ESGCP strives to support its members to attend ESCMID Global and to pursue their research.

Because of this, ESGCP is proud to provide financial support to its members. Please note, importantly, that this study group financial support is distinct from other funding opportunities through ESCMID, and have a look at our Webpage for information  
**(<https://www.escmid.org/esgcp/>)**

One of the funding opportunities ESGCP is offering is the **Top- up funding for ongoing research in parasitology.**

Deadline for application are 31 st March and 31<sup>st</sup> October, and we are proud to announce that Dr Salvatore Scarso (Italy) Dr Lynn Peters (Germany) received a Top-up grant for their research projects for the 2025 calls. Congratulations to both! 😊



## **ESCMID -Global 2026 Accepted Parasitology sessions**

### **A. Session title: Clinical challenges in tropical medicine: lessons for global health (2 hour)**

Talks:

1. Clinical impact of hybrid Leishmania strains.
2. Hybrid Schistosoma: what`s the real picture?
3. Therapeutic challenges for nematode and trematode infections.
4. Imported tropical diseases: clinical dilemmas.

### **B. Session title Your attention, please! Parasitic infections in immunocompromised patients (2 hour)**

Talks:

1. A deadly duo: immunosuppression and alveolar echinococcosis.
2. Please, do not forget: Strongyloides and immunosuppression.
3. How to manage visceral leishmaniasis in the immunocompromised.
4. 4. Double challenge: Chagas disease and immunosuppression.

### **C. Detecting parasites using metagenomics and proteomics (1 hour)**

Talks:

1. Unmasking hidden worlds: the mower of metagenomics in parasitology.
2. From proteomics to the bench.

### **D. Top papers in imported tropical diseases and diagnosis of parasitic infections (1 hour)**

Talks:

1. Top papers in tropical diseases.
2. Top papers in diagnosis of imported parasitic diseases.

### **E. The returned traveller with eosinophilia: clinical, diagnostic and therapeutic approaches (Meet the expert)**

Speakers: Martin Montes (Peru) and Diana Ayoola (UK).



## **Just a reminder: Publication guidelines**

ESGCP will receive points for Study Group publications, but there are defined and strict requirements for publishing on behalf of a study group: (i) at least 3 study group members have to be involved from at least 2 different countries, and (ii) the study group has to be mentioned in the title, “on behalf of ESGCP” should be inserted among the authors.

If any of our members know of publications in which ESGCP is actively involved and credited, please do not hesitate to let us know for future Newsletters.

ESGCP at ESCMID-Global 2025





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If you have information or suggestions about the ESGCP group, please look at the guidelines for the Google Group and preferably use this for communication with the group.

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