



Newsletter December 2025

Message from the Study group Executive Committee

Happy holidays to everyone. We hope you all get some time to relax over the festive season and reflect on another great year for ESGLI that has included webinars, accepted ECCMID Global submissions and the largest ESGLI conference ever in Sicily. It is hoped that next year, we will continue to grow with at least two ESGLI affiliated publications due to be released in 2026.

We will also start 2026 with the election of a new ESGLI EC for 2026-2028. Two current EC members are not eligible for re-election so there will be vacant spaces for those that wish to stand or nominate colleagues. Please remember we can only accept one nomination per country and Maria Luisa Ricci and Valeria Gaia have kindly accepted to oversee the election process.

The new committee will be in post from April 2026 until April 2028. I, as departing chair, would encourage as many as possible to stand for election and continue to develop and grow the ESGLI community.

ESGLI EC

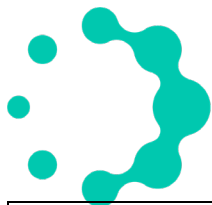
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Welcome to new members!

We complete 2025 with 785 members from 94 countries! Please remember to renew your ESCMID Membership every two years to continue to access all ESGLI activities!

Also, we encourage you to inform your colleagues, and other scientists, who might be working in the field to join our group and share their knowledge and ideas.

Study group travel grants for ECCMID Global will be available from January 2026. Eligibility criteria will include relevance and quality of the submitted abstract, age of the applicant, country of applicant, duration of membership with the study group and motivation to attend the conference. More information on how to apply will be available soon

Educational activities

All ESGLI webinars from 2025 can be accessed online using the link <https://www.escmid.org/esgli/>

We will continue the webinar series in the new year and hope to have at least four in 2026.

As previously agreed by members, in person ESGLI meetings will only happen every 2 years but it is hoped to have a smaller virtual meeting in 2026.

The 11th International conference on Legionella will take place in Zurich, Switzerland from the 7th to the 11th of September 2026. [Legionella 2026 | 11th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEGIONELLA](#)

Research and development grants

Please remember to contact the EC regarding any proposals for individual study group grants and collaborative grants prior to submission as they must be approved by the EC [ESCMID: Research Grants](#)

Publications

ESGLI accredited publications have to meet these criteria:

At least **three study group members** (coming from at least **two different countries**) are in the authors' list with affiliation to the Study Group stated in the section "Author information".

The sentence "**from the Study Group...**" or "**on behalf of the Study Group**" has to be present in the authors' list. Alternatively, the name of the Study group is clearly mentioned in the title.

The most recent publications can be accessed using the link <https://www.escmid.org/esgli/> where they can be downloaded.