Welcome to our June 2018 TAE Newsletter!

Dear friends and colleagues,

We would like to thank you for your attendance and active participation at the TAE Day 2018 in Madrid! We truly appreciate your excellent support!
Please find below information that might be of great interest to you.

Best wishes,
TAE Steering committee

TAE Day 2018

This year, TAE day has received special attention! Approximately 100 attendees and 15 mentors spent two constructive hours discussing issues concerning career development.

See more pictures from TAE Day 2018 in the gallery!
Collaboration with other societies

TAE President David Ong and TAE President-elect Aleksandra Barac met Elena Schneider-Futschik, Young Ambassador for Australia and member of the Young Leaders’ Circle (YLC) of the American Society of Microbiology (ASM) during ECCMID 2018 in Madrid. We are very excited to start a fruitful collaboration between YLC and TAE!
ESCMID Summer School is a one-week course dedicated to postgraduate and continuing medical education. The programme covers a broad range of topics in clinical microbiology and infectious diseases and will be of interest to young MDs at the end of their speciality training as well as to biologists, pharmacists, PhD students and postdoctoral fellows working in the field of infection. By attending the ESCMID Summer School, you will not only widen your scientific network, but also you will get the opportunity to personally discuss topics with the experts in the field of infectious diseases and clinical microbiology! Join and see how a Summer School may change your perspective! Find more about Summer school in Paris here.

Events

Check out the upcoming ESCMID Courses and Workshops!

Conference on antimicrobial resistance, 26-28 September 2018, Havana, Cuba
ESCMID/ASID Course on Infectious Diseases in Pregnant Women, Fetuses and Newborns  
14-16 September, Sydney, Australia

Antifungal Resistance in Candida and Aspergillus: from Clinic to Clinical Laboratory  
19-21 September, Delhi, India

Find [here](#) more about current ESCMID Courses and Workshops!

ESCMID offers attendance grants for educational and scientific events

ESCMID supports young European scientists who wish to attend an educational and scientific event organised or endorsed by ESCMID and provide free tuition and/or travel. If you are interested, please check the ESCMID webpage.

ESCMID Observership

Second ESCMID Observership applications period is open until 30 June!
Now you can apply for one of the 50 funded observerships available. Don’t forget to pay attention to the updated criteria and ensure you have all the necessary documents enclosed with your application. You could apply for funded and unfunded observerships via [this link](#).
ESCMID publication of the month

Diagnosis and management of Aspergillus diseases: executive summary of the 2017 ESCMID-ECMM-ERS guideline

The European Society for Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, the European Confederation of Medical Mycology and the European Respiratory Society Joint Clinical Guidelines focus on diagnosis and management of aspergillosis. Of the numerous recommendations, a few are summarized here. This executive summary is a comprehensive guideline covering many aspects of Aspergillus diseases. It provides guidance for clinicians on prevention of disease, diagnostic procedures, resistance issues and treatment of IA as well as CPA. The guideline group intends to provide additional publications supporting the rationale of the recommendations given.

How does it look like to be a TAE member?

Read more about the experience of the TAE President Dr David Ong:

My story in the Trainee Association of ESCMID (TAE) began three years ago when I met former TAE president Joana Cortez who was visiting one of the clinical microbiology laboratory departments in the Netherlands as part of her ESCMID observership. At that time, I was a trainee working in the same department, and I had the opportunity to get to know her. She was very enthusiastic regarding the aims and activities of TAE, which has inspired me to apply for a TAE Steering Committee position during the elections in September 2015. Among several Clinical Microbiology candidates, I was elected by the majority, and I joined my first TAE Steering Committee Meeting in Madrid (Spain) in December 2015. It is a real honour for me to fulfil my current role as the TAE president. I work with a very enthusiastic team of young professionals to achieve our aims. Over the last three years, I witnessed TAE becoming more professional, extending its reach of influence, conducting trainee-led research in topics mattering for trainees and disseminating these results by publication and presentation both nationally and internationally. Furthermore, TAE has been more active in several ESCMID study groups and ESCMID events including its annual congress (ECCMID), postgraduate educational courses organised throughout the year, and ESCMID Summer School. It has been very gratifying for me to see that our work within TAE is very much appreciated by different members ranging from medical students, trainees to senior leaders in the fields of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases. The TAE thankfully receives a lot of support and various opportunities from the ESCMID Executive Committee and study groups to unroll our activities. It is a great experience to travel and visit many countries in the role of Steering Committee member. I get to meet and collaborate with many new colleagues all over the world. I am honoured to represent the interests of more than 2500 trainees, PhD students and other young professionals on different platforms at an international stage. I am also very proud of what all previous and current TAE members have achieved collectively. I recommend everyone who is prepared to work hard, who can collaborate in a team and is willing to overcome cultural barriers, and who would like to contribute to the improvement of training in Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases to become active within TAE. ESCMID offers many opportunities for younger professionals to get involved. Finally, you will unwittingly end up with everlasting friendships and an extensive professional international network. Therefore, don’t miss these opportunities!
The first announcement for TAE Steering committee elections that will be held in September 2018

In December 2018, some of the TAE Steering Committee (TAE SC) members will complete their term within the committee, resulting in two vacancies for a three-year term (January 2019 – December 2021) steering committee position. We are looking for trainees in Clinical Microbiology. The **call for candidates** will be open in late August 2018. Any ESCMID member who is still in training and 35 years old or younger or under 40 years-of-age and in training is entitled to submit application. More details to follow.

Job/research opportunities for ESCMID young scientist members

Are you looking for a new job or research opportunity? Check out this open call for Post-doctoral associated Researcher position in CIBERES -- Vall d'Hebron Barcelona Hospital Campus, Barcelona, Spain.

More info...