Dear colleagues,

Welcome to our December 2019 TAE Newsletter!

In this refreshed issue, we will keep you updated about TAE activities and other ESCMID groups' initiatives that might be of your great interest.

TAE community is made up of trainees and young scientist members who are passionate about Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases. If you have an idea about a project we should initiate or if you want to get involved in TAE projects and activities we highly encourage you to communicate with us either on Twitter, Facebook or email us at tae@escmid.org.

Finally, we would like to thank Zaira Palacios, Cansu Çimen and Caroline Rönnberg for their excellent work and commitment within the TAE SC for the past three years.

TAE Steering Committee

More info on our website.
TAE Trainees Day 2020
Sunday 19 April 2020, Afternoon

In the upcoming ECCMID, join us for the TAE Trainees Day on the second day of the congress. During the session, we will present the preliminary results of the last TAE Survey on research activities during CM and ID training, and we will host the ceremony of the TAE Outstanding Trainee Award.

The highlight of the Trainees Day is the Round Table Session. Every year young professionals have the opportunity to informally interact with renowned experts in the field of CM and ID career. Participants have the opportunity to get inspiration from experts, discuss the main challenges and decisions during clinical and/or research career, get career advice, learn about career/research opportunities and strengthen their network.

Registration for Round Table Session will open in February/March 2020 at ECCMID website.

**TAE will take part in the following sessions at ECCMID:**
- Bacteriophages in current clinical practice
- Challenges in using PK/PD and TDM for dose optimisation
- What's new with dermatophytes?
- PK/PD in special populations: do we need to approach neonates, children and pregnant women differently?

**Talk to your TAE Representatives**
We would be pleased to hear your suggestions and ideas for the TAE community. Get involved, talk to TAE SC members during and after the TAE Trainees Day, send us an email to tae@escmid.org or communicate via social media!
ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course

We are delighted to invite you to participate in the two ESCMID Postgraduate Education Courses organised and co-organised by TAE in 2020.

The first TAE/ESCMID Leadership Academy is aimed to level-up the personal and professional skills of early-career scientists and young specialists in CM and ID. The programme content includes basic skills in epidemiology, critical appraisal of journal articles, manuscript writing, development of leadership and management skills.

The Postgraduate Course on Antimicrobial Stewardship: A competency based approach, co-organised with ESGAP, is aimed to provide a comprehensive knowledge and strength practical skills in Antimicrobial Stewardship through interactive sessions and knowledge sharing.

A number of attendance grants to cover registration fee will be provided for ESCMID Young Scientist Members. Please apply via the ESCMID website.

WHAT IS IT LIKE TO BE A TAE SC MEMBER?

My time in the TAE Steering Committee is coming to an end. It has been three wonderfully busy years filled with positive challenges and valuable experience.

I have learned the workings of a large and influential non-profit organization and seen the fruitful outcome of international collaboration on a number of levels. I am in awe over the innovative ideas and unprecedented commitment and enthusiasm of all members of the TAE SC. During my time in the SC, the TAE has made significant progress in showing the differences and similarities among CM and ID trainees in Europe through a number of surveys, and kept a sustained effort to strengthen the network of peers globally. If networking starts at an early stage in ones career, I believe that the subsequent result is a strong network into which all members can reach for help, ideas, education, collaborative projects and more. Microbes know no borders and so effective communication between colleagues across countries is a prerequisite for learning from each other and applying sustainable interventions.

The TAE has provided me with a unique experience and leaves me enriched with knowledge, experience and importantly, fantastic friendships!
Publications highlighted at TAE social media in the last month


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EUCIC is launching its second intake of the European Infection Prevention and Control training programme. The first cohort of trainees will successfully finish in April 2020. With the EUCIC Infection Prevention and Control Certificate, EUCIC aims to provide a unique European perspective on infection prevention and control. It does this by sharing expertise and competencies within training centres, countries and professions. This collaborative effort will result in the training of a new generation of IPC specialists.

The training programme is organised in specialised centres across Europe, and in close collaboration with the multidisciplinary joint section on Infection Control of the UEMS (European Union of Medical Specialists) and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC).

There are still 18 places available for interested trainees. Please check the website for more detailed information if you are interested. Join and be a part of the EUCIC community!!