



ESGCP members in ECCMID-Copenhagen, 2015

Parasitic infections have a world-wide distribution with high prevalence in tropical settings. Europe clinicians have to deal with both endemic parasitic infections in Europe and imported parasitic diseases. In daily practice diagnostics and treatment of intestinal parasites, malaria and toxoplasmosis are of main importance. Immunosuppression and changes of prevalence of parasites due to different factors, like global warming, increased the awareness of parasites and this process with probably continue.

The ESCMID study group for clinical parasitology has been founded in 2007 and has now more than 50 members of 30 different countries.

The study group aims to provide information and shed light on the following subjects:

1. Provide information about the prevalence of parasitic infections in different parts of Europe;
2. Provide information on clinical policies and practices within Europe;
3. Provide comparisons of diagnostic performances of different assays including quality control
4. Provide information on parasitic infections in immunocompromised patients

Activities:

In **2015** organized,
 • Laboratory Diagnosis of Human Parasitic Infections, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course **26-30 January, Leiden, Netherlands**

• Indigenous Parasitic Diseases in Europe, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course. **6- 8 May, Pavia, Italy**

• Improving Patient Safety: the Neglected Impact of Age and Gender, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course. **2- 4 September, Barcelona, Spain.**

• Microbiology for diagnosis of Infectious Diseases: ABC and XYZ, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course. **20 - 22 November Beijing, China.**

In **2016** organizes,
 • Parasitic Infections of the Arabian Peninsula - Theoretical and Practical Update, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course. **17-19 March, Al Ain, United Arab Emirates.**

• Infectious diseases in pregnant women, fetuses and newborns, ESCMID Postgraduate Education Course. **25-29 September, Bertinoro, Italy.**

Research projects presented to be funded:

• Molecular epidemiology of *Plasmodium vivax* in the Sultanate of Oman (E. Petersen, S. Picot, 2016)

The ESGCP started

6 subgroups with the topics:

- **Intestinal Parasites**
- **Malaria**
- **Leishmania**
- **Echinococcus**
- **Toxoplasma**
- **Chagas**

If you want to join our study group and/or one of these subgroups please contact the secretary malvarez@clinic.ub.es

For more information about the studygroup

www.escmid.org/esgcp



Participants PGTW course Al Ain, UAE, March 2016



Participants PGTW course Barcelona, Spain, September 2015

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