



# ESGIAI

ESCMID STUDY GROUP  
FOR IMPLANT-ASSOCIATED  
INFECTIONS

European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases

## Objectives

- Encourage the study and improvement of the knowledge on **implant associated infection**
- Contribute to studies about prevention, diagnosis and treatment of these **infections**
- Provide a **united forum** for health care providers and scientists such as Orthopedic Surgery, Surgical Pathology, Infectious Diseases, Clinical Microbiology, Infection Control and everybody actively involved or interested in this area
- Promote **awareness** of the importance of exposure/effect relationships and thus optimal dosing for efficacy, clinical outcome and resistance prevention.
- Offer opportunities for **training** and encourage **interdisciplinary communication** between scientists/physicians and related groups by means of educational workshops, special symposia, and publications.
- Offer advice and the opportunity for **sharing expertise** among colleagues, other ESCMID study groups and international societies, e.g. EBJIS.



## Members

- 78 Members from: 18 European countries as well as Brazil, Australia, New Zealand, Argentina, Singapore and United Arab Emirates

### Executive committee (since 2015)

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### Inaugural committee (Founded 2010)

Javier Ariza, Anthony Berendt, Olivier Borens, Emilio Bouza, Silvano Esposito, Efthymia Giannitsioti, Helen Giamarellou, Antonios Papadopoulos, Eric Senneville, Alex Soriano, Andrej Trampuz, Werner Zimmerli

## Past

### Highlights 2015

ESCMID postgraduate educational workshop:  
Update on implant-associated infections: Diagnosis and Management. Budapest, Hungary, 12 - 14 Feb 2015.

#### Publications:

Characteristics of prosthetic joint infections due to Enterococcus spp. and predictors of failure: a multi-national study. Clin. Microbiol. Infect. 2015; 21 (5): e43-e44

## Present

### Current Projects

- Gram negative multi-drug and extensively drug resistant in chronic osteomyelitis & prosthetic joint infections (multi-center study)
- Suppressive antibiotic therapy for PJI (multi-center study, collaboration with Spanish network of orthopedic implant infections)
- PJI due to Streptococci (multi-center study, collaboration with Spanish network of orthopedic implant infections)

### ESGIAI@ECCMID 2016

- Update in diagnosis and clinical management of implant-associated infections; Organized by ESGIAI in cooperation with the Royal College of Pathologists (UK)
- Business meeting: ECCMID, 10/4/16 at 13:15-14:15, room E104/105

## Join

ESGIAI is **open to everybody** interested in Implant-associated Infections (orthopedics, cardio-vascular, and any other!)

**We would be glad to welcome you.**

### How to join:

If not already, become a member of ESCMID  
Log in and join ESGIAI (no additional membership fee)