

Allied Health and Primary Care Section - AGM

25th October 2023





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Welcome

- The meeting is being recorded to help with the minutes
- Please keep yourself on mute if you are not speaking
- Put your hand up if you have a question

OR

- Enter questions into the chat
- Minutes will be taken from the meeting

Agenda

18:00 –	Welcome	Chair (Rosan Meyer)
18:05 –	Update on Section Activities	All section members
18.25 –	Exploring Immune-Enhancing Diet in Allergy	Berber Vlieg-Boerstra
18.40 –	How to make allergy research and audit happening	Audrey Dunn Galvin
18:55 –	Closing Remarks	Rosan Meyer
18.55-19.00		

Section Allied Health & Primary Care

Total members: **2869**

Female members: **1562**

Male members: **992**

2022: 2307
active members

Top 10 Countries:

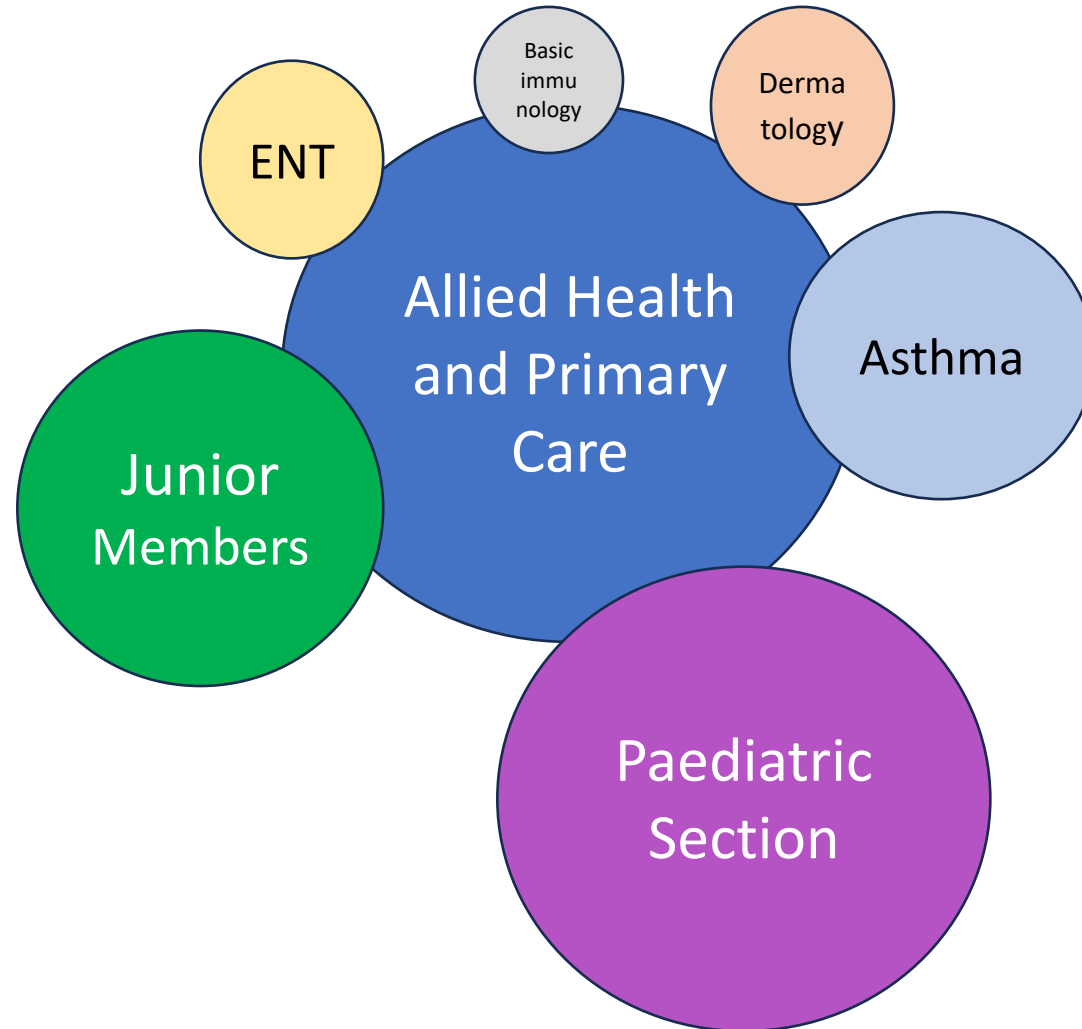
- Italy
- UK
- Spain
- Germany
- Russian Federation
- Turkey
- The Netherlands
- USA
- France
- Romania

Junior Membership

- **298 are Juniors**
 - **Nurses and Dietitians - 65**

For who	For individuals aged 35 or under who are scientifically or clinically interested in allergy and/or clinical immunology
Benefits	Possibility to apply for the Clinical Fellowship Award, Research Fellowship Award and travel grants to EAACI events.
Requirements	When registering as an EAACI Junior Member, you must provide a copy of your passport for age verification.
Price	Free

EAACI Section Collaborations 2022-2023



Update on Group Activities – Highlights

- EAACI 2023 Congress in Hamburg - 9 Allied Health and Primary Care members presented in various capacity at this congress
- PAAM 2023 – planning committee and presenters from Allied Health and Primary Care
- 4 position papers with section member as chair.
- 10 other publications, including systematic reviews, survey papers, opinion pieces and one unique paper proposing for the first an immune-supportive diet for allergy. In all papers, outside of 1, section members were first/last author
- 10 ongoing Task Forces with many of them leading to publications and 10 new task forces, of which 3 are submitting publications

- Events
- Allergy and Winter Schools
- Allergy School in Taormina 2023

Allergy School in Taormina 2023

 23 - 25 March 2023

 Taormina, Italy

Update on Group Activities – Highlights

- Immunomodulation and Nutrition Working Group is being led by Dr. Carina Venter a member of our section and the WG is ongoing
- ROC Food Allergy Group under leadership of Prof. Alex and Dr. Isabel Skypala.
 - Leading or involved with OIT, prevention and diagnosis
- EAACI TF Complementary Feeding (Dr. Emilia Vasilopoulou) survey to be sent out
- One Health WG and Immunomodulation and Nutrition collaboration:

Diagnosis of IgE mediated food Allergy – just published



Sustainable diet meets immune health
A joint-Webinar of the WG One Health, WG Immunomodulation & Nutrition, and Section Allied Health & Primary Care. In collaboration with the Knowledge Hub.

📅 16 October 2023
📍 Knowledge Hub
🕒 6- 8:30 pm CET

 EAACI
#WorldFoodDay

Coming soon on hub.eaaci.org

Update on Group Activities – Highlights

Preliminary global assessment of the knowledge and confidence in managing allergic disorders amongst primary care paediatricians across Europe

M. Cabrera¹; D. Ryan²; M. Erlewyn-Lajeunesse³; M. Levin⁴;
A. Martínez-Cañavate⁵; C. Villaizán Pérez⁶; E. Angier⁷;
J. Trujillo⁸; JM. Cárdenas-Rebollo⁹; L. Losappio¹⁰; L. Reali¹¹

Final respondents included of 1,991 PCPs

61.7% had awareness of guidelines for onward allergy referral in their countries but only 22.3% were aware of the EAACI competencies document for allied health professionals for allergy.

Respondents felt most confident in the management of eczema/atopic dermatitis (87.4%) and rhinitis/asthma (86.2%), and least confident in latex allergy (30.8%). 8

908 (45.7%) and 906 (45.5%) prefer traditional and e-Learning and assessment, respectively.

Update on Group Activities - Highlights

- TF - MILK FORMULA INDUSTRY SPONSORSHIP
- Guidelines have been developed – voted by both EAACI Ex com
- Presented at PAAM 2023 – and published after this



Maria J Torres (Chair)



Markus Ollert



Marek Jutel



Stefania Arasi



Ibon Eguiluz



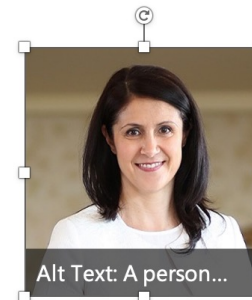
Jean Christoph Caubet



Asli Akkor



Rosan Meyer



Ozlem Ceylan (Patients organization representative)

Planned Activities - 2024

- 16 ongoing or new Task Forces (that we as a committee are aware of)
- Ongoing support for current ROC projects on food allergy and OIT
- Ongoing support for WG (Immunomodulation and Nutrition and One Health)
- Local anaesthetic hypersensitivity and de-labelling - the survey has been sent out, but only 40 responses, the objective is to aim for 100 response
- Submission of joint Allergy School with JM on Multi-disciplinary working together
- Submission for funding for Allied Health Care Knowledge Exam – similar to the one for Physicians
- Submission for funding for 10 Allied Health Care member for financial support to attend EAACI with a successful abstract application
- PR project on advertising the benefits of being both JM and Allied Health and Primary Care Member
- Ongoing support for Knowledge Hub webinars/resources



Exploring Immune-Enhancing Diet in Allergy - Dr. Berber Vlieg-Boerstra

- Allergy specialist dietitian
- Senior researcher affiliated to OLVG Hospital, department of Paediatrics in Amsterdam and the Allergy Center at Rijnstate Hospital in Arnhem, the Netherlands.

How to make allergy research and audit happening – Prof. Audrey DunnGalvin

- Senior Lecturer/Associate Professor Applied Psychology, University College Cork
- Programme Director Early Years & Childhood Studies
- Strategic Lead for Internationalisation & Community Engagement
- Course Director Reflective Practice for Health Care Professionals
- Allergy Research Network, Ireland.





Discussion and closing

18.55 – **Closing**
19.00 **Remarks**

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