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Note from the President

Dear EAA Members,



According to the tradition, this Newsletter closes the EAA activities of the year. The second half of 2021 was still affected by the never-ending COVID-19 crisis, but the EAA Council and Office have remained active. We were also present at a few andrology events, including the European Fertility Week (online) and the first since 2019 onsite meeting of the Italian Society of Andrology & Sexual Medicine (SIAMS) in Bologna. Since 2021 we started a close collaboration with ESHRE Special group of interest in andrology through participation in campus activities.

Despite difficulties with meetings, we have managed to organize the 2nd Budapest School and the EAA clinical andrologist exam in late summer, with face-to-face participation. I warmly thank the Hungarian hosts and extend my congratulations to 14 new EAA-certified Clinical Andrologists! I am happy to announce that in 2022 all EAA Schools are returning to action and are planned to be held onsite, starting from the EAA Ultrasound School (Florence/Rome) and the the 3rd edition of the Budapest School and Clinical Andrologist exam in early March! The EAA continues to reinforce the old partnership with ESAU through the joint ESAU/EAA session at the EAU congress in March. The EAA initiated a close collaboration with the International Consortium dedicated to Male Contraception (ICMC) and we will be present at the 3rd ICMCs congress in May. The 2022 calendar is brimming with meetings and will culminate in October in Barcelona. You can take advantage of available travel grants to attend the schools and all other meetings!

The EAA-initiated ANDRONET COST-action has formally started with the kick-off Management Committee meeting. I take the opportunity to thank Rafael Oliva for his hard work as the ANDRONET's Coordinator.

The mandate of our Chief Editor, Manuela Simoni, ends in 2021. On behalf of the EAA, I would like to thank Manuela for her extraordinary work.

Finally, we have performed a comprehensive internal and external review of the EAA structure and strategy. Although we already changed our rules for membership (with the aim of attracting also young researchers and basic scientists), we need more targeted actions. After a consensus has been found, we shall summon a dedicated General Assembly during the year. Stay tuned!

I wish you all a warm and healthy Christmas and Holidays, and a happy and productive Year 2022. Hope to meet you all at ECA2022!

Csilla Krausz

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Report from the 2nd Budapest School



The second edition of the EAA Budapest School held on 31 August-2 September 2021, was organized by the EAA Office and directed by Zsolt Kopa (Budapest) and Csilla Krausz (Florence). The additional faculty members, and participants in a meeting of the EAA Executive Council, included: Giovanni Corona, Davor Ježek, Andrea M. Isidori, Eduard Ruiz-Castañé, Ewa Rajpert-De Meyts and Rafael Oliva.

Due to the travel limitations, the programme was limited to general andrology aspects, which were selected to prepare fellows for the EAA Clinical Andrologist examination. In total, 31 participants (candidates and faculty) from 13 countries were present at the meeting. A more detailed report is available on the EAA website: https://www.andrologyacademy.net/eaa-budapest-school. The third edition is planned to be held in Budapest on 1-3 March 2022, travel restrictions permitting. If you plan to attend, please check the EAA website frequently.

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New EAA-certified Clinical Andrologists

In conjunction with the EAA Budapest School, the 23rd EAA Clinical Andrologist examination was held. Fourteeen fellows from 11 different countries passed successfully the written and oral examinations: **Maurizio DE ROCCO PONCE** (Italy), **Tomasz DRABAREK** (Poland), **Angel ELENKOV** (Sweden/Bulgaria), **Panagiotis LEVIS** (Greece), **Przemysław MŁODOZENIEC** (Poland), **José Antonio MORENO** (Spain), **Efstathios PAPAEFSTATHIOU** (Greece), **Aleksandr PECHERKIN** (Russia), **Yousif RASSAM** (Germany), **Bettina SCHEFFER** (Germany), **Tamás TAKÁCS** (Hungary), **Doron VANTMAN** (Spain/Mexico), **Yuran VANWONTERGHEM** (Belgium), and **Margot WYRWOLL** (Germany). Congratulations!



The candidates and faculty of the “EAA-certified Clinical Andrologist” exam

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New members of the EAA



A warm welcome to our new members, who have joined the EAA or changed their membership status during the second half of 2021:

Academicians:
Prof. **Leen Antonio** (Leuven, Belgium), Prof. **Christopher Barratt** (Dundee, UK), Prof. **Christopher De Jonge** (Minneapolis, MN, USA), Prof. **Adelheid Soubry** (Leuven, Belgium)
Regular Members:
Jetske van Breda (Utrecht/The Netherlands), **Egita Deine** (Riga, Latvia), **Angel Elenkov** (Malmö, Sweden/Bulgaria), **Alberto de la Iglesia** (Barcelona, Spain), **Maciej Jarosz** (Gdansk, Poland), **Aleksandr Pecherkin** (Moscow, Russia), **Sara Di Persio** (Münster, Germany/Italy), **Usmain Sajjad** (Heswall, UK), **Dorón Vantman** (Barcelona, Spain)

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News from the Journal

At the end of 2021, the transition between the Chief Editors will formally take place. The newly elected Deputy Editor of *Andrology*, **Aleksander Giwercman** (Sweden) will take over from the current Chief Editor, **Manuela Simoni** (Italy). We take this opportunity to extend our thanks to Manuela (*pictured*) for her tireless service for *Andrology* since January 2017.



She has been a true leader, with attention to the scientific quality of the content, promoting relevant thematic issues and rapid processing of submissions. She has significantly improved the Journal, which now boasts a much higher impact factor than that she had inherited.

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ANDRONET news

As we have informed you earlier, the European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) has approved the EAA-initiated proposal ANDRONET, which has been coordinated by **Rafael Oliva** (Barcelona, Spain).

ANDRONET has three main objectives:
- Improving research coordination and transfer of knowledge in the field of andrology
- Supporting professional education of andrologists
- Enhancing public awareness of male health and its specific problems

The first kick-off meeting of the Management Committee (MC), composed of 1-2 representatives of participating countries, was held online on 27-28 October 2021, and this date marked the official start of the Action which will last four years (until 27-10-2025).
The leaders of the Action and all Working Groups were elected at the mee
Action Chair: Rafael Oliva (Spain) whose institution (*Fundacio Clinic per a la Recerca Biomedica* (FCRB) in Barcelona is the Action Grant Holder and will provide administration of the Action
Action Vice-Chair: Csilla Krausz (Italy)
Grant Awarding Coordinator: Davor Ježek (Croatia), Co-Coordinators: **Alberto de la Iglesia** (Spain), **Jolanta Slowikowska-Hilczer** (Poland), **Zsolt Kopa** (Hungary)
Science Communication Coordinator: Ewa Rajpert-De Meyts (Denmark), Vice-Coordinator: **Sandra Laurentino** (Germany), Co-Coordinators: **Aleksander Giwercman** (Sweden) and **João Ramalho-Santos** (Portugal)

Working Group (WG) Leaders:
WG1- Research Coordination: Leader: **Frank Tüttelmann** (Germany), Vice-Leader: **Judit Castillo** (Spain), Co-Leaders: **Kristian Almstrup** (Denmark), **Ana Katusic-Bojanac** (Croatia), **Katerina Komrskova** (Czech Rep.), **Antoni Riera Escamilla** (Spain)
WG2 - Professional Education: Leader: **Leen Antonio** (Belgium), Vice-Leader: **Csilla Krausz** (Italy), Co-Leaders: **Lars Björndahl** (Sweden), **Rosita Condorelli** (Italy), **Josanne Vassallo** (Malta)

WG3 - Public Awareness: Leader: **Andrea Sansone** (Italy), Vice-Leader: **Chris Barratt** (UK), Co-Leaders: **Eduard Ruiz-Castañe** (Spain), **Viktoria Rosta** (Hungary)

ANDRONET is open to any professionals and researchers in the field of andrology. If you or members of your group want to join one of the working groups, please apply through the webpage: https://www.cost.eu/actions/CA20119/ in the Working Groups section. We look forward to building a great network of andrologists and everyone interested in promoting male health!

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EAA-endorsed educational events

All EAA-endorsed meetings are listed in the Calendar at the end of this Newsletter and on our Website. Most of these events are planned as face-to-face meetings, some will be also available for participants joining online as hybrid events.

EAA Schools
We remind the Directors of EAA Training Centre and aspiring andrologists that all three recurrent EAA Schools will be held in 2022:

- The 3rd EAA Budapest School in Clinical Andrology, 1-3 March 2022, Budapest, Hungary (*on-site*)
- The 2nd EAA School in Genetics, 4 - 6 May 2022, Tartu, Estonia (*on-site*)
- The EAA Zagreb Summer School in Testis Histology and Pathology, 27 June - 2 July 2022, Zagreb, Croatia (*on-site*)

Andrology courses
The EAA President, Csilla Krausz, is organising a pre-Congress Course in Andrological Endocrinology at the upcoming European Congress of Endocrinology (ECE2022) in Milan, Italy. The Course will be focused on male infertility and will take place on 21 May 2022. The detailed programme will be announced in a separate newsletter.

Webinars
The EAA has started a series of educational webinars, some organized jointly with other organisations.
Webinars in collaboration with the American Society of Andrology (ASA):

- **Francesco Lotti** (Florence, Italy): “Male genital tract ultrasound” (17 November 2021)
- **Lars Björndahl** (Stockholm, Sweden): “The VI edition of the WHO manual for semen analysis” **Reserve the date: 18 January 2022**

Webinars in collaboration between the EAA and Omnicuris (medical education portal based in India):

- **Emmanuele Jannini** (Rome, Italy): “Guideline recommendations for the diagnosis and management of erectile dysfunction” – the webinar will be free to download (coming soon on www.omnicuris.com)

The previously announced webinars on “**Basic Semen Examination**”, “**Disturbances of androgen action during fetal development**” and “**Psychological and medical issues of non-binary trans people**” will be advertised separately when the dates have been set. Stay tuned!

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Travel grants

It is our pleasure to announce that travel grants for EAA Members are again available! The grants will support participation in all EEA-endorsed events and meetings, regardless of the member’s age. The youngest members will though be prioritised for educational events (EAA Schools and courses). Travel grants for scientific meetings will be only available to the members presenting abstracts. Please note the deadlines! The application forms are available on the EAA website:
https://www.andrologyacademy.net/application-forms.

- **EAA Budapest School (Budapest, Hungary)**
  Grants available: 5 x max. €350
  Application deadline: 1 February 2022

- **EAA School in Genetics (Tartu, Estonia)**
  Grants available: 5 x max. €350
  Application deadline: 6 March 2022

- **EAA Zagreb Summer School (Zagreb, Croatia)**
  Grants available: 5 x max. €350
  Application deadline: 20 May 2022

- **Ultrasound School (Rome/Florence, Italy)**
  Grants available: 5 x max. €350
  Application deadline: 6 weeks before the starting date

- **12th ECA (Barcelona, Spain)**
  Grants available: 10 x max. €500
  Application deadline: TBA

- **Other EAA-endorsed meetings**
  TBA (max. €500 each)
  Application deadline: 20 February, 20 June, 20 October 2022

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Event calendar



17-19 February 2022
23rd Congress of the European Society for Sexual Medicine (ESSM)
Rotterdam, The Netherlands (on-site)

Information: https://www.essm-congress.org/



1-3 March 2022
The 3rd EAA Budapest School in Clinical Andrology
Budapest, Hungary (on-site)

Information: https://eaaschool.eu/

EAU22 | AMSTERDAM 18-21 March 2022

18-21 March 2022
EAU22
Including EAA-ESAU joint session: Male reproductive health is a guard for general health in the man
Amsterdam, The Netherlands (hybrid)

Information:
https://scientific-programme.uroweb.org/EAU22#



23-25 March 2022
3rd International Workshop on Klinefelter Syndrome, Trisomy X and XYY
Leiden, The Netherlands (hybrid)

Information: https://www.nve.nl/3rd-international-workshop-on-klinefelter-syndrome-trisomy-x-and-xyy/

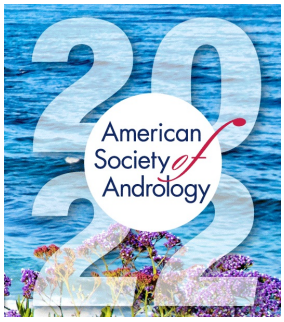
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4-6 May 2022
The 2nd EAA School in Genetics
Tartu, Estonia (on-site)

Information: https://www.andrologyacademy.net/eaa-school-in-genetics

4-10 May 2022
The North American Testis Workshop (NATW) and the 47th ASA Annual Conference,
La Jolla, California, USA (hybrid)

Information: https://andrologysociety.org/testis-workshop/





21-24 May 2022
24th European Congress of Endocrinology (ECE2022)
Milan, Italy (hybrid)

Information: https://www.ese-hormones.org/events-deadlines/european-congress-of-endocrinology/ece-2022/



23 May 2022
3rd ICMC International Congress
Paris, France (hybrid)

Information: https://www.ic-mc.info/3rd-icmc-international-congress-paris-2020/



27 June-2 July 2022
The EAA Zagreb Summer School in Testis Histology and Pathology,
Zagreb, Croatia (on-site)

Information: https://www.andrologyacademy.net/eaa-zagreb-school



4-7 September 2022
The 8th International Epidydimis Workshop
Giessen, Germany

Information: http://www.epididymis2022.de



19-21 September 2022
14th NYRA Meeting
Norwich, United Kingdom (on-site)

Information: https://nyra-youngresearch.eu/



6-7 October 2022
ESHRE Campus: Male reproductive health
Budapest, Hungary (on-site)

Information: https://www.eshre.eu/Education/Calendar-Campus-events/Male-Reproductive-Health



19-21 October 2022
12th European Congress of Andrology (ECA2022)
Barcelona, Spain (on-site)

Information: https://eca2022.com

Postponed (from 23-26 March to October



2022, Dates TBA
The 45th European Symposium on Hormones and Cell Regulation: “Sex and signalling:
The molecular basis of sex and gender medicine”
Mont Ste Odile, France (on-site)

Information: hormones-cell-regulation.eu



30 November - 2 December 2022
Symposium on the Genetic Landscape of Male Reproductive Health
Münster, Germany (on-site)

Information: malegenetics2022@ukmuenster.de

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