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ESCMID Onsite Postgraduate Course 2023

Hot topics of infectious diseases and clinical microbiology in Central and Eastern Europe

Pécs, Hungary
31 May – 2 June 2023



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Organisers

ESCMID Parity Commission

Other Organising Group(s)

Hungarian Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases

Course Coordinator

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Course Objectives

The aim of the course is to give a comprehensive overview of challenging topics of infectious diseases currently emerging or continuously present in Central and Eastern Europe, from diagnostic and therapeutic perspectives. These include viral, parasitic, fungal diseases and antimicrobial resistance of bacteria. The course also aims to create a forum for networking and discussion on these topics between experts invited from various regions of Europe.

Target Audience

Clinical microbiologists / microbiologists, infectious diseases doctors

Course Venue

University of Pécs, Medical School
Szigeti út 12. Pécs
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<https://aok.pte.hu/en>

Course Programme

Wednesday, 31 May 2023

12:00 – 13:00 **Registration**

13:00 – 13:30 **Welcome and housekeeping notes**
TBA and Ágnes Sonnevend

13:30 – 14:15 **Emerging zoonotic viral infections in Central and Eastern Europe**
Ferenc Jakab

14:15 – 15:00 **Emerging viral hepatitis in Central and Eastern Europe**
Robert Flisiak

15:00 – 15:45 **Emerging poxvirus infections in humans in Central and Eastern Europe**
Norbert Nowotny

15:45 – 16:15 **Coffee break**

16:15 – 17:00 **Trends in HIV infections in Central and Eastern Europe**
Botond Lakatos

17:00 – 17:45 **Tuberculosis in Central and Eastern Europe – implications for diagnostic and susceptibility tests**
Emmanuelle Cambau

17:45 – 18:30 **Emerging parasitic infections in Central and Eastern Europe**
Eskild Petersen

Thursday, 1 June 2023

08:45 – 09:30 **How EUCAST clinical breakpoints are set?**
Christian Giske

09:30 – 10:15 **Antifungal susceptibility testing – the reality in Central and Eastern Europe**
Birgit Willinger

10:15 – 10:45 **Coffee break**

10:45 – 11:30 **Antibiotic resistance and persistence - Implications for testing and treatment**
Annelies Zinkernagel

11:30 – 12:15 **Emerging resistance to new beta lactam agents**
Giulia de Angelis

12:15 – 13:00 **Contribution of travel to the spread of antimicrobial resistance**
Anu Kantele

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 14:45 **High risk clones of Gram-negative bacteria – regional differences in Europe**
Jaroslav Hrabak

14:45 – 15:30 **Use of whole-genome sequencing in outbreak investigations**
Ágnes Sonnevend

15:30 – 16:15 **Practical approach to antimicrobial stewardship in Central and Eastern Europe**
Arjana Tambic-Andrasevic

16:15 – 16:45 **Coffee break**

16:45 – 17:30 **The role of sepsis markers in antimicrobial therapy**
Zsolt Molnár

17:30 – 18:15 **Guidelines for the treatment of MDR Gram negative bacterial infections**
János Sinkó

19:00 – 22:00 **Dinner with wine tasting**

Friday, 2 June 2023

08:45 – 09:30 ***Clostridioides difficile* in Central and Eastern Europe**
Maja Rupnik

09:30 – 10:15 **Pro-s and con-s for using syndrome based molecular tests**
Onya Opota

10:15 – 10:45 **Coffee break**

10:45 – 11:30 **Challenges in treatment of invasive fungal infections**
János Sinkó

11:30 – 12:15 **Refugees, vaccinations and infectious diseases**
Darota Zarębska-Michaluk

12:15 – 13:45 **Evaluation of the course – closing remarks**
Ágnes Sonnevend

Organisation

Registration Procedure

Register on the ESCMID website at www.escmid.org/education by 30 April 2023

Registration fee

EUR 400 for ESCMID members
EUR 500 for all others

ESCMID provides a number of attendance grants for ESCMID Young Scientist Members/ those from LMICs.

Notes for Ticket cost: on average an airticket from major cities of Europe to Budapest costs 300 EUR. Pécs can be reached from Budapest by train or bus (return ticket approx. 20 EUR.)

The registration fee includes educational materials, 3-day-pass for the public transport within Pécs, coffee breaks, two lunches, and the dinner with wine tasting.