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Note from the President

Dear Colleagues,

I hope that my letter finds all of you in good health. Since the last EAA Newsletter we all went through a hard period due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our personal and professional lives have been severely affected but despite the difficulties, the European Academy of Andrology (EAA) continued to be active. In this edition of the Newsletter, you will find a report from the Budapest EAA School, held just at the beginning of the pandemic on 3-7 March 2020. This new EAA School was a great success and was attended by participants from 22 countries. During the meeting, we held an examination for the title of the EAA Clinical Andrologist and it is my pleasure to congratulate the 13 candidates from 6 countries who obtained this title.

Our Academy is growing and we have recently welcomed a number of new EAA members. We are planning to propose changes in the EAA Statutes in order to facilitate the membership rules, especially for young physicians and basic scientists interested in andrology. You will receive further information in due time.

The international network of the EAA Training Centres continues to expand. The EAA Executive Council has recently accredited two new EAA Training centres: in Riga (Latvia) - directed by Dr Juris Erenpreiss, and in London (UK) - directed by Dr Suks Minhas.

I also would like to inform you that the results of the EAA ultrasound multicentre project have been published recently in our official journal *Andrology*. I would like to thank Dr Lotti for his great efforts in coordinating the study and all the participating EAA members for their important contribution. It is also my pleasure to inform you that a new EAA Guideline on functional hypogonadism has recently been published in *Andrology*.

Unfortunately, COVID-19 pandemic wreaked havoc in our meeting calendar and several events have been cancelled or postponed until 2021. Fortunately, Europe is coming out of the lockdown, hence there is a good chance that we all will be able to meet again in December 2020 in Münster (Germany) at our biennial European Congress (ECA2020) and general assembly. The preparations continue as planned and the abstract submission for ECA2020 has started, please check the congress website.

Although it will be an unusual summer, I wish you all the very best to enjoy it as much as possible.

Csilla Krausz

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Event Report

Course modules

- **EAA School on Basic Andrology for Clinical Andrologists**
(3-5 March 2020)
- **EAA School on Androgen Therapies**
(5-7 March 2020)



The new EAA event was organized and directed by Csilla Krausz (Florence) and Zsolt Kopa (Budapest), who also served as lecturers. The additional faculty members included European experts in various areas of andrology: G. Corona, A. Isidori, D. Ježek, M. Maggi, E. Rajpert-De Meyts, Y. Reisman, E. Ruiz-Castañé, M. Simoni, N. Szücs, J. Toppari, F. Tüttelmann, D. Vanderschueren.

The first part of the School aimed at preparing fellows to the written part of the EAA Clinical Andrologist exam, while the second provided an update on androgen therapies. 40 participants from 22 countries were registered, but a few participants and lecturers could not attend due to the pandemics. Thanks to on-line streaming everyone could participate.

The course was highly evaluated by the participants. You can read a more detailed report from the Budapest School on our EAA website: www.andrologyacademy.net/getdoc.aspx?id=200.

We are planning the second edition in 2021 with a similar format, in which the second module will focus on hormonal therapies in andrology.

New EAA-certified Clinical Andrologists

In conjunction with the 1st EAA Budapest School, the 22nd EAA Clinical Andrologist examination was held on 5-7 March 2020. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 outbreak some fellows were not able to attend the exam. Fortunately, 13 fellows from 6 different countries were present and successfully passed the written and oral exam. We congratulate the new "EAA certified clinical andrologists":

Mohamed Ahmed **Abd El Salam** (EGYPT), Lise **Aksglaede** (DENMARK), András **Balló** (HUNGARY), Rossella **Cannarella** (ITALY), Francesco **Carlomagno** (ITALY), Settimio **D'Andrea** (ITALY), Vincenza **Di Stasi** (ITALY), Márton **Keszthelyi** (HUNGARY), Boaz **Meijer** (NETHERLANDS), Edoardo **Pescatori** (ITALY), Kristjan **Pomm** (ESTONIA), Matteo **Spaziani** (ITALY) and Balázs **Szabó** (HUNGARY).

We thank the examiners, C. Krausz, Z. Kopa, E. Ruiz-Castañé and D. Ježek for their effort.



The newly certified clinical andrologists and the examiners in Budapest



New Members of the EAA

We extend a warm welcome to our new members, who have joined the EAA since December 2019 as Affiliated Members or have been promoted to Academicians:

Academician: Dr. Andrea Sansone (ITALY)

Affiliated Members: Dr. Biagio Cangiano (Milan, ITALY), Dr. Vincenza Di Stasi (Florence, ITALY), Dr. Nikolay Likhonosov (Saint Petersburg, RUSSIA), Prof. Rosario Pivonello (Napoli, ITALY), Prof. Birute Zilaitiene (Kaunas, LITHUANIA).



New EAA Honorary Members

It is our pleasure to announce that the EAA Executive Council has nominated for the Honorary Membership three Academicians with outstanding contributions to basic and clinical andrology and a long-standing service to the EAA: Prof. Niels E. Skakkebaek (Denmark), Prof. Ilpo Huhtaniemi (Finland) and Prof. Wolfgang Weidner (Germany).

New EAA Training Centres

We are very happy to announce that the European map of the EAA Andrology Training Centres has been extended by two new centers; in Riga, Latvia and in London, United Kingdom.

Riga Andrology Centre



Riga Andrology Centre has been accredited as an EAA Training Centre at the beginning of 2020, after a site-visit conducted by Jorma Toppari and Niels Jørgensen. This is the first EAA Centre in Latvia. The Centre is led by EAA Academician **Dr. Juris Erenpreiss** (pictured). Andrology is a recognized medical sub-specialty in Latvia since 2009, and since 2020 a 2-year full-time study program in andrology is implemented at the Faculty of Medicine at Riga Stradins University.

Imperial Andrology Centre, London, UK



The Imperial Andrology Centre in London has been accredited as an EAA Training Centre at the beginning of 2020, after a site-visit conducted by Csilla Krausz. The Centre is directed by **Dr. Suks Minhas** and consists of four integrated sub-specialty units (in andrology, reproductive endocrinology, urology and sexual medicine) at the Hammersmith and St Mary's hospital campus.



Since January 2020 Manuela Simoni (Modena, Italy), representing the EAA, is leading *Andrology* as the Editor-in-Chief together with Deputy Editor, Marie-Claude Hofmann (Houston, TX, USA), who was appointed by the American Society of Andrology (ASA). She replaced Douglas Carrell (Salt Lake City, UT, USA), who completed his term at the end of 2019. The journal has recently experienced a dramatic increase in the number of submissions, probably because of the lab lockdowns caused by the COVID-19 pandemics. The Editors called for research on the andrological aspects of COVID-19 infection, so if you have a relevant study, consider publishing it in *Andrology*.

New EAA publications

We are pleased to announce the first publication of the EAA-promoted international multicentre study on "Standardization of the male-genital colour-Doppler (MGT-CDUS) parameters in healthy, fertile men" (shortened to "**EAA ultrasound study**"). The study has been coordinated since late 2012 by Francesco Lotti and Mario Maggi (Florence, Italy). You can read the article here: onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/andr.12808

The EAA has also been promoting publication of high-quality Clinical Guidelines for andrologists. A new paper from this series on **the management of functional male hypogonadism** has recently been published. The article was written by a group of Academicians, with Giovanni Corona and Fred Wu as lead authors, and have been approved by the EAA and ESE. You can download the paper here: onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/andr.12770

Another guidelines paper on management of Klinefelter Syndrome is just around the corner. The article is currently circulating among the EAA-Centres directors for comments and it will be the second EAA guidelines endorsed by ESE.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

ANDROLOGY WILEY

The European Academy of Andrology (EAA) ultrasound study on healthy, fertile men: clinical, seminal and biochemical characteristics

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REVIEW ARTICLE

ANDROLOGY WILEY

European Academy of Andrology (EAA) guidelines on investigation, treatment and monitoring of functional hypogonadism in males

Endorsing organization: European Society of Endocrinology

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News from Chile



The EAA has members who are active outside Europe. It is our pleasure to announce that in September 2019 an EAA member, **Dr Jose I. Vinay** (pictured) was elected the President of the Chilean Andrological Society (Sociedad de Andrología y Gametología de Chile, SAGACH, website: www.sagach.org). We look forward to collaborating with our Chilean colleagues.

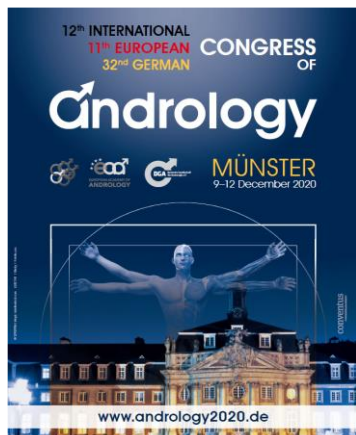
In memoriam: Rune Eliasson 1927-2020



We are very sad that Rune Eliasson has passed away on 31 January 2020. He was one of the founders of the EAA and the first EAA Honorary Member. He was active in the fields of andrology, physiology and integrative medicine. Rune promoted scientific standards and research integrity, and pushed for rigorous guidelines in the field of laboratory methods in andrology. His work contributed to the establishment of the International Society of Andrology as well as the International Journal of Andrology, the forerunner of *Andrology*. More about his career: onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/andr.12798.



Event Calendar



9-12 December 2020

11th European Congress of Andrology (ECA 2020), the 12th International Congress of Andrology (ICA), and the 32nd Annual Meeting of the German Society of Andrology, Münster, Germany

Organizers: Stefan Schlatt, Sabine Kliesch (Centre of Reproductive Medicine & Andrology, Münster)

More information: www.andrology2020.de



30 May - 3 June 2021

The 21st European Testis Workshop, Sant Feliu de Guíxols, Catalonia, Spain

Organizers: Rafael Oliva, Judit Castillo and Josep Lluís Ballescà

More information: etw2020.org/



6- 9 October 2021

The 45th European Symposium on Hormones and Cell Regulation, Mount St Odile, France

Sex and signalling: The molecular basis of sex and gender medicine

Organizers: Ilpo Huhtaniemi and Adriana Maggi

More information: hormones-cell-regulation.eu



2021 – Dates to be announced

Symposium on the Genetic Landscape of Male Reproductive Health, Münster, Germany

Organizers: Jörg Gromoll & Frank Tüttelmann

More info: www.medin.uni-muenster.de/malegenetics2020

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