

# EACR Profile



## The European Association for Cancer Research

### Information about EACR and a membership invitation to non-members attending EACR-21

With over 8,500 members, the 'European Association for Cancer Research' is Europe's largest member society for cancer research. As an EACR-21 participant we invite you to join the Association and be part of its further development and success.

### EACR: At the centre of cancer research in Europe

Founded in 1968, EACR enjoys strong links with other European cancer societies: the Association was not only a Founding Member of the Federation of European Cancer Societies (FECS) but now maintains its central position in European activities as a Founder Member of ECCO – the European CanCer Organisation.

### Aims for the Advancement of Cancer Research

EACR has 'The Advancement of Cancer Research' as its guiding aim. The Association presents educational, training and scientific meeting opportunities, and facilitates communication, interaction and collaboration between the cancer researchers who make up its membership. EACR membership is mainly European but presently extends to 90 countries worldwide.

### Takes an inclusive approach to membership

The size and range of membership reflects the fact that EACR sets out to be an inclusive, multi-disciplinary organisation and maintains a low membership subscription to ensure that cost does not discourage participation. Post graduate students may obtain free membership for up to four years and the annual subscription rate for active members is just 30 Euros. Many senior researchers who support post graduate students, 'post docs' and those in the early years of their career recommend EACR membership as part of support for professional development.

### Works with a growing number of National Member Societies

EACR is delighted to have a strong relationship with national cancer societies and associations across Europe. Researchers who are members of EACR affiliated 'National Societies' in Germany (AEK), Spain (ASEICA), Belgium (BACR), Britain (BACR), Croatia (HDIR), Ireland (IACR), Israel (ICS), Turkey (MOKAD), Hungary (MOT), France (SFC) and Italy (SIC) automatically become individual members of EACR as part of the wider benefits of belonging to their national society.

### Offers opportunities for Travel Fellowships

EACR Travel Fellowships, co-funded by the 'Association for International Cancer Research' (AICR), have become increasingly popular over the last two years and the quality of applications is particularly high. Reports from fellowship winners are published in the EACR Year Book each April and can be read by visitors to the EACR website [www.eacr.org](http://www.eacr.org). The Mike Price Fellowship (co-funded by ECCO) is one of the Association's most significant awards and reports can also be read of the longer projects that this fellowship supports. There is no doubt that a period working in a new context, in a centre of excellence, is both powerful and of great encouragement to researchers.

### Supports members with Meeting Bursaries and Awards

The Association also offers support and encouragement through Meeting Bursaries and Awards. Forty-five students and early-career researchers have received support through the Association's Bursary

scheme to attend EACR-21. ‘Poster Awards’ are supported by the Pezcoller Foundation and the ‘Carcinogenesis Awards’ are presented by Oxford University Press. EACR’s most prestigious award is the Cancer Researcher Award Lecture which is presented annually at EACR and ECCO meetings.

**Offers meetings in the EACR and ECCO-ESMO conference series**

As well as providing members with its biennial meeting, now in its 21<sup>st</sup> edition, EACR also makes a powerful contribution to the scientific programme of the ECCO/ESMO conference. This biennial multi-disciplinary congress will be held in Stockholm next September and will offer a programme of great interest to members as well as an EACR Special Session. EACR will be making Meeting Bursaries available for the first time to support the participation of student members and early-career researchers in Stockholm.

**Sponsors meetings and presents workshops and symposia**

As a sponsoring agency, EACR supports important scientific meetings and symposia organised in Europe, publicises the meetings and ultimately carries informative follow-up reports in the annual newsletter. The Association has also presented three very successful meetings as part of a developing symposia programme.

**Has the European Journal of Cancer (EJC) as its journal**

The Association’s journal, The European Journal of Cancer (EJC), will carry a detailed report of the EACR-21 Conference. Members enjoy a special subscription rate to the online version of EJC.

**Would like you to find out everything about EACR while in Oslo**

Visit the EACR stand in the Exhibition Area to learn more about the Association and to pick up a free copy of the Association’s 2010 Year Book. You can also learn more about EACR and cancer research activities in Europe by visiting **[www.eacr.org](http://www.eacr.org)**. The Association’s website is not only an excellent source of information but also carries application forms for fellowships, bursaries and other member benefits. An informative e-News bulletin is regularly sent to members and links to the website. The bulletin carries advance notices and links ranging from those highlighting focused scientific meetings to those listing job and study opportunities.

**And invites you to join the Association**

Applications to join EACR are managed through the Association’s office in Nottingham and can be made online at any time: **[www.eacr.org](http://www.eacr.org)**.

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