

Newsletters, circulated in the spring and autumn every year, provide the membership with information about the Association's activities as well as details of many other events and initiatives relating to cancer research in Europe. Our fellowship programmes (the EACR Travel Fellowship Programme and EACR-Italian Fellowship Programme) are intended to promote the exchange of information and acquisition of knowledge and technical skills in cancer research.

As part of the EACR's contribution to the activities of the Federation of European Cancer Societies (FECS), efforts are being made to co-ordinate our future meetings with the biennial European Conferences on Clinical Oncology (ECCO). These are organized by the member European cancer societies comprising the Federation, of which the EACR is among the founding members. In 1991, our XIth EACR meeting in Genoa (3–6 November 1991) will be held in the week after the ECCO meeting in Florence (27–31 October 1991). Our meeting in Genoa will then be followed by a joint symposium with the American Association for Cancer Research to be held in Santa Margherita in Italy (7–9 November 1991). This co-ordination of activities is an exciting development in cancer research in Europe since it fosters the integration of basic and applied research and emphasises the importance of a multidisciplinary approach to resolve the cancer problem. The new *European Journal of Cancer* is clearly the natural vehicle to carry the reports and information about these various activities and the EACR is pleased to continue its support of this, our official journal.

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of oncology and seminars on advanced or controversial topics. Courses in English were held at the University of Athens in Greece, Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Memorial Cancer Center in Poland, N.N. Petrov Institute of Oncology in Russia, and University of Zagreb in Yugoslavia. Six courses were held in the mother tongue in Argentina, Brazil, France, Italy, and Spain. ESO collaborated with the European Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology to arrange courses in Belgium, England, France, and Spain and with the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and the Medical Research Council in Oxford, UK (a colloquium on long-term clinical trial strategies). Four courses were organized with the European Oncology Nursing Society — 92 nurses attended these courses, which were held in the mother tongue in England, France, Germany, and Switzerland.

Last year ESO's advisory division organized 12 special task forces in collaboration with industry. Topics included diet and cancer, drug delivery, nuclear magnetic resonance, interferons, growth factors, psychosocial oncology, and air pollution. As part of its 'Europe Against Cancer' programme the Commission of the European Communities (CEC) asked the school to organize four advisory groups on controversial issues: passive smoking, vegetable fibre, 'Haemoccult' test and early diagnosis of colorectal cancers, and risk of cancer after repeat mammographies. Reports on each topic were presented in May, 1989. Again on behalf of the CEC, a textbook for general practitioners on breast cancer was published in every language of the Community.

ESO's editorial division prepared 850 course/seminar books last year, with abstracts, papers, and copies of slides. ESO task forces edited nine monographs on their subject areas (published by Springer-Verlag, Heidelberg). In addition this division of ESO has so far produced 18 videotapes on the main diagnostic and surgical techniques. Subjects include chemotherapy, cancer pain, Hodgkin's disease, and breast, head and neck, ovarian, bladder, and oesophageal cancer.

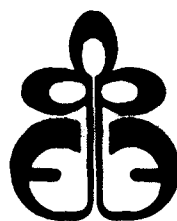
ESO runs an alumni club, whose members receive a newsletter and bibliographic research and are invited to refresher days. Last year two such days were arranged: interferons in onco-haematology (Zürich) and drug resistance in oncology (London).

Since 1983, 4992 people have participated in ESO's activities. Just over half were from EC countries, the remainder coming about equally from other European countries, Eastern Europe, and South America. The participants were most commonly (about a third) at senior assistant level; about a fifth were residents.

*European School of Oncology. Seventh Annual Report. Milan: ESO, 1990.

European School of Oncology

The seventh annual report of the European School of Oncology (ESO) was published in March, 1990.* An important aim of ESO is to reduce cancer mortality by training health professionals to avoid late diagnosis and inadequate treatment. During 1989, ESO continued and expended its educational, advisory, and editorial roles. 1480 participants from 35 countries attended courses organized by the teaching division. The programme included five-day residential courses on basic aspects



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CONGRESS
BRUSSELS**

EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

**Brussels, Belgium
October 17-20, 1990**

Wednesday October 17	Thursday October 18	Friday October 19	Saturday October 20
	Hepatic metastases — Lymph node dissection	Bladder tumors — Digestive lymphomas	Rectal tumors — Breast tumors
Registration — Opening Ceremony — Technical and ethical aspects of surgical clinical trials — Reception	Intra- operative radiotherapy — Pulmonary tumors Extrahepatic biliary vessels tumors — Melanoma	Gynecolo- gical tumors (I) — Head & Neck tumors Gynecolo- gical tumors (II) — Primary and secondary bone tumors	Farewell cocktails

Deadline for Abstract Submission: June 30 1990

**Abstract forms and further details from Ms F Pilkiewicz, ESSO
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EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR THERAPEUTIC RADIOLOGY AND ONCOLOGY

9th Annual Meeting

September 12-15 1990
Montecatini Terme - Italy
at the
Centro Congressi

President of the Society: E van der Schueren (Leuven)
Chairman Local Organising Committee: L Cionini (Firenze)
Chairman Scientific Committee: H Bartelink (Amsterdam)

The annual meeting of the ESTRO is structured with 3 parallel teaching sessions and symposia on specific topics covering clinical radiotherapy, physics and biology in the mornings.

Clinical Symposia

Hodgkin's disease
Combination radiotherapy
and surgery
Prostate cancer
Thyroid cancer

Biology Symposia

Volume effects
The biological basis of the α/β ratio
The time factor in radiobiology
Hyperthermia as an adjunct to
radiotherapy and chemotherapy

Physics Symposia

Megavoltage imaging
Dosimetry intercomparison
Targeting of radiolabeled compounds
Basic dosimetry
Optimization of external beam therapy
Special treatment modalities
External beam dose calculations
Quality assurance in treatment planning
systems

For full information please contact the ESTRO Secretariat, Department of Radiotherapy, University Hospital St Rafael, Capucijnenvoer 35, 3000 Leuven, Belgium. Tel 32/16/212231 Fax 32/16/212228

ESTRO TEACHING COURSES IN 1991

Modern Brachytherapy Techniques, 7-11 April

Chairman: A Gerbaulet Venue: Scandinavia Deadline for early registration: 1.12.90

Principles and Technical Aspects in Clinical Radiotherapy, 9-13 June

Chairman: J W H Leer Venue: University of Tübingen, Germany Deadline for early registration: 1.2.91

Radiotherapy Dosimetry, 9-13 September

Organised jointly by the ESTRO and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

Chairman: H Svensson Venue: Huis van Chievres, Leuven, Belgium Deadline for early registration: 15.5.91

Radiation Physics for Clinical Radiotherapy, 16-22 September

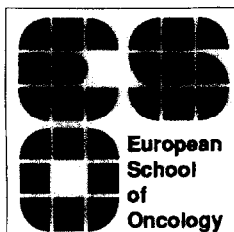
Chairman: H Svensson Venue: Huis van Chievres, Leuven, Belgium Deadline for early registration: 15.5.91

Basic Clinical Radiobiology, 5-9 October

Chairman: G G Steel Venue: Hotel Armonia, Vouliagmeni (Athens), Greece Deadline for early registration: 1.6.91

The Role of Radiotherapy in the Management of Cancer, 11-17 November

Chairman: T Landberg Venue: Faculty of Medicine, University of Granada, Spain Deadline for early registration: 15.7.91



The European School of Oncology

1990 FORTHCOMING EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

28th May-1st June

Residential Course: Site: Warsaw, Poland

Psychosocial Oncology and Palliative Care

R.G.Twycross (UK), R.Zittoun (F),
A.Kulakowski (PL)

11th-15th June

Residential Course: Site: Lugano, Switzerland

Radiotherapy 2000: Research Strategies for the Next Decade

J.Yarnold (UK) and K.Sikora (UK)

11th-15th June

Residential Course: Site: Visegrad, Hungary

Paediatric Oncology

P.A. Voute (NL), D. Schuler (H)

20th-22nd June

Residential Course: Site: Moscow, USSR

Modern Aspects of Clinical Oncology

J.Einhorn (S), N.Trapeznikov (USSR)

21st-23rd June

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Breast Reconstruction

M.Lejour (B)

26th-27th June

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Pain Treatment in Oncology

E.Alon (CH) and M.Slevin (UK)

3rd-5th July

Training: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Scientific Writing and Editing

M. O'Connor (UK)

10th-13th July

Training: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Cancer Screening

M.Roselli del Turco (I)

27th-28th August

Residential Course: Site: Buenos Aires, Argentina

Plastic Surgery

J.Petit (F), L.McLean (RA)

30th-31st August

Residential Course: Site: Santos, Brazil

Plastic Surgery

J.Petit (F), E. De Souza Pinto (BR)

10th-14th September

Residential Course: Site: Orta San Giulio, Lake Orta, Italy

Methodology of Clinical Trials

R.Flamant (F), M.Buyse (B)

11th-13th September

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Cancer, Occurrence & Causes

P.Boyle (F)

20th-21st September

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Lymphohematopoietic Growth Factors in

Cancer Therapy

R.Mertelsmann (D)

24th-28th September

Residential Course: Site: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Gynaecological Oncology

J.G.Aalders (NL), J.B. Vermorken (NL)

25th-26th September

Seminar: Site: San Servolo Island, Venice, Italy

Radiolabelled Antibodies in Clinical

Oncology

G.L.Buraggi (I)

For Residential Courses held in Italy and Switzerland the registration fee is 500 ECU.

For Seminars held in Italy the registration fee is 400 ECU.

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