

Dear PRES EMERGE members,

Welcome to the latest PRES EMERGE newsletter and a particularly warm welcome to our new members. We are delighted to now have over 100 members from 31 different countries!

### **PRES EMERGE FELLOWSHIP WINNERS**

We are delighted to announce the 2018 PRES EMERGE Fellowship winners. Dr Anna Glaser, currently working in the UK, was awarded the basic scientist Fellowship and will undertake a project in JIA at the University Medical Center in Utrecht, Holland. Dr Narendra Bagri, currently working in India, was awarded the clinical Fellowship and will undertake a project in JIA at Bristol Royal Hospital for Children, UK.

### **PEER REVIEW MENTORING PROGRAM NOW OPEN TO APPLICATIONS**

Peer-review mentoring is going live. This will be a structured program to provide training in peer review. Click here to enroll as a mentee: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3D732G8>. For more information about the programme go to our website at: <https://www.pres.eu/activities/young-investigators/mentoring-programs.html>

### **EMERGE WORKING PARTIES GROUP – survey of EMERGE members**

Dr Ezgi Deniz Batu is leading the EMERGE working parties subgroup and is currently undertaking a survey of EMERGE members regarding their current and intended involvement with the PRES working parties. We hope to provide opportunity to EMERGE members to be included in a research, creation of guidelines, and in authorship of important publications. The results of this survey will be used to inform development of initiatives to increase opportunities and support for EMERGE members to become involved in the PRES working parties. Further information is provided at the end of this newsletter. Please do complete the survey using the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YWC5S85>

### **SUPPORT TOWARDS CARRA MEETING ATTENDANCE**

We are keen to continue strengthening our relationship with other young professional groups in the field of rheumatology. To support this there are three €400 PRES bursaries available to support PRES EMERGE members in attending the next CARRA meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2019. If you receive the bursary you will need to provide evidence of attendance as well as a short report on your experience and how you have helped to develop connections / collaborations between PRES and CARRA. If you are interested in this opportunity please email us at [emerge.pres@gmail.com](mailto:emerge.pres@gmail.com) for further information and to apply.

Additionally there will be bursaries available through CARRA. Details of how to apply for the financial support will be available in due course on the CARRA website <https://carragroup.org/annual-meetings/2019-annual-meeting>. You must be a CARRA member to apply for this bursary. You can apply for CARRA membership here: [carragroup.org/join-or-renew](https://carragroup.org/join-or-renew). Membership for Fellows is free

### **PRES/EULAR YIM 2019**

EMERGE are working closely with EMEUNET to bring a joint YIM at this year's joint PRES/EULAR meeting. Further information regarding this will be available in the New Year. This will be an exciting step forward in adult and paediatric rheumatologists working together.

## **PMM INTERNATIONAL**

Paediatric Musculoskeletal Matters (PMM) International is now live! PMM is endorsed by PReS as a teaching and learning resource and as foundation for the online course or PReS Basic Course. PReS are very supportive of PMM International and you can find the link to PMM on the PReS website.

<https://www.pres.eu/activities/scientific-and-clinical/educational-instruments-and-tools.html> or visit [www.pmmonline.org](http://www.pmmonline.org)



## **WORLD YOUNG RHEUMATIC DISEASES DAY (WORD DAY): 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019**



**WORD Day** will be an annual event that will take place on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March from 2019 onwards. The ultimate aim of WORD Day is to raise the awareness and knowledge level of parents, doctors, primary practitioners, teachers, and the general public to help first and foremost in **early diagnoses, and a quick referral to specialized pediatric rheumatologists**. We would encourage all EMERGE members to start thinking about how they can celebrate WORD Day, through local events and by contributing to the social media campaign. If you are aware of any patients or patient organisations that would like to get involved in WORD Day please ask them to contact [worldyoungrheumaticdiseaseday@gmail.com](mailto:worldyoungrheumaticdiseaseday@gmail.com) See the end of this newsletter for further information.

## **EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES AND TRAINING FOR PAEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY IN EUROPE**

This is a recent publication summarizing the current portfolio of PReS educational activities and training opportunities which may be of interest to our members:

<https://ped-rheum.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12969-018-0289-y>

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership is free and all young paediatric rheumatologists or scientists are welcome to join. If you know anyone who would like to join please forward them this newsletter and advise them to email us at [emerge.pres@gmail.com](mailto:emerge.pres@gmail.com) to join the group

## **GET INVOLVED!**

We also welcome more EMERGE members to get actively involved with running and developing our initiatives. Please email us at [emerge.pres@gmail.com](mailto:emerge.pres@gmail.com) if you would like to get involved!

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Finally, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Your PRES EMERGE TEAM



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**SEE BELOW FOR SOME EXCITING COURSES AND MEETINGS COMING UP SOON**  
**SAVE THE DATE!**



## 2019 Annual Meeting

Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance

**CARRA**   
2019 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING



## JIR Winter School Auto-inflammatory Disease

**Switzerland, Villars**  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2019



**India, Mumbai**  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> of January 2019



Lectures / Workshops / Case studies  
Local and common sessions

International experts: Ivona Aksentijevich, Isabelle Kone-Paut, Helen Lachmann among others

More information on:

**[www.jirws.org](http://www.jirws.org)**

**FOREUM**  
Foundation for Research in Rheumatology

FOREUM International Fellowships are intended to fund excellent research projects in the field of RMDs that address any basic, translational or clinical aspects of these conditions. Applications are now open and further information is available on their website: [http://www.foreum.org/apply\\_now.cfm](http://www.foreum.org/apply_now.cfm)

## **LETTER FROM DR EZGI DENIZ BATU REGARDING EMERGE WORKING PARTIES GROUP SURVEY**

Dear EMERGE members,

The “Working Parties (WPs)” group is a new initiative of EMERGE with the primary aim of involving more EMERGE members in the PReS WPs 2.0, while improving the functioning of the WPs. We also hope to provide opportunity to EMERGE members to be included in a research, creation of guidelines, and finally in authorship of important publications.

Currently, there are nine WPs in PReS as Auto-inflammatory, Imaging, JDM, Lupus, MAS, Scleroderma, Uveitis, Vasculitis, and Vaccinations WPs. The roles and activities of the PreS working parties have been updated and now, each WP is represented by WP Chair, WP secretary, and the leads of three pillars as clinical care, science&research, and training&education.

We would like to have your opinion on how we can foster collaboration between the PReS WPs and EMERGE. We are keen to hear from EMERGE members who are already involved with the WPs or keen to get involved with them in the future. Please take two minutes to complete the below PReS-EMERGE WP survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YWC5S85>

Thank You!

**SAVE THE DATE for World young Rheumatic Diseases Day (WORD day)**  
**March 18<sup>th</sup> 2019**



**PLEASE GET INVOLVED IN HELPING US TO SPREAD THE WORD THAT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE GET RHEUMATIC DISEASES TOO**

**WORD Day** will be an annual event that will take place on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March from 2019 onwards. Through the international networks of PReS, ENCA and Young Pare (People with Arthritis network linked to EULAR), we hope that diverse local events will be designed and implemented by a local organizing committees in each country, to be run in hospital, universities and public areas (e.g. schools, museums, town centres). These are anticipated to include information stalls, talks and performances given by patients, information and training events for healthcare professionals, 'peer education' workshops involving medical student organisations. WORD Day will also involve a number of assertive social media campaigns including the patient voice, patient organisations and charities, promotional educational videos, radio and TV interviews with patients and doctors will accompany these events, each directed at a specific audience. In particular, WORD day will target doctors who are the first clinicians to come into contact with these patients (e.g. general pediatricians), parents, other health practitioners, educators. Materials to support the running of these events will be available through the PReS and ENCA websites in due course.

The ultimate aim of WORD Day is to raise the awareness and knowledge level of parents, doctors, primary practitioners, teachers, and the general public to help first and foremost in **early diagnoses, and a quick referral to specialized pediatric rheumatologists**. We hope that awareness will have a ripple effect on all levels of practitioners who come in contact with these children, improving the level of treatment they receive and their prognosis worldwide. **We would encourage all EMERGE members to start thinking about how they can celebrate WORD Day, through local events and by contributing to the social media campaign.** If you are aware of any patients or patient organisations that would like to get involved in WORD Day please ask them to contact [worldyoungrheumaticdiseaseday@gmail.com](mailto:worldyoungrheumaticdiseaseday@gmail.com) for further information. EMERGE members are also encourages to make contact with the WORD Day organisers with their ideas and plans.