

Dear PReS EMERGE members,

Welcome to the latest PReS EMERGE newsletter and a particularly warm welcome to our new members. We are working closely with PReS and other groups to create as many opportunities as we can for young paediatric rheumatologists and researchers. We encourage you all to use the opportunities available through PReS EMERGE and to get actively involved in developing our initiatives.

### **PRES/EULAR Young Investigator Meeting 2019**

We are excited to announce this year's YIM will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> (afternoon) to Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June (morning) at Ramon Y Cajal Hospital in Madrid, Spain. It will happen just before the EULAR/PRES joint congress and will include a networking event with young adult rheumatologists on Tuesday evening. You can find more information and register for the YIM here: [https://esor.eular.org/theme/lc\\_eular/layout/enrol.php?id=68](https://esor.eular.org/theme/lc_eular/layout/enrol.php?id=68). Abstract submission is not required but is encouraged! **Deadline for abstract submission is 24<sup>th</sup> March.**

### **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 CARRA offer travel reimbursements. Details of how to apply for the financial support are 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.

Please note **registration for CARRA closes on 15<sup>th</sup> March.**

### **TRANSLATIONAL MEDICINE COURSE BURSARY – APPLY NOW!**

The PRES council has kindly agreed to fund two places for EMERGE members to attend the Eureka translational medicine summer school in Utrecht 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2019. Further information about the summer school is provided on their website <https://www.utrechtsummerschool.nl/courses/life-sciences/translational-medicine-doing-the-right-research-right>

If you wish to apply for the sponsored places you will need to provide two short essays (up to 1000 characters without spaces) about the two following topics:

1. Describe a research project that you are / were involved in that has the potential to provide benefit for patients.
2. Explain why attending a translational medicine course would benefit you at this stage of your career.

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. The **application deadline is 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.**

## **EMERGE WORKING PARTIES GROUP**

We are keen for as many EMERGE members as possible to get involved with the PReS working parties (WP). Thank you to those who completed the WP survey, we will use the findings to help develop future strategies to involve EMERGE members in the WPs. You can still take the survey if you would like to get involved in the activities of WP group (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YWC5S85>).

We are currently contacting all the WPs to provide a short introduction with information on what EMERGE members may be able to get involved. Information on the Vaccinations WP is provided at the end of the newsletter. If you would like to get involved please email [emerge.pres@gmail.com](mailto:emerge.pres@gmail.com) and we will put you in touch with the relevant person.

## **PMM INTERNATIONAL**

EMERGE is continuing to work with Paediatric Musculoskeletal Matters (PMM) team. PMM is endorsed by PReS as a teaching and learning resource and as foundation for the online course or PReS Basic Course. Visit the website to access the resource: [www.pmmonline.org](http://www.pmmonline.org)



EMERGE are working with PMM on development of an app and would be grateful if you could complete the survey monkey which we will advertise on Facebook and Twitter shortly.

## **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 celebrate WORD Day, through participating local events and by contributing to the social media campaign. Please watch and share this video: <https://vimeo.com/318626431>  
@WORDday2019 [www.facebook.com/WORDday2019](http://www.facebook.com/WORDday2019)

## **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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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



# **Vaccination working party**

## **Core Team**

**Chair:** Nataša Toplak

**Secretary:** Sefi Uziel

**Education and training pillar:** Despoina Maritsi, Elena Moraitis

**Science and research pillar:** Gecilmara Pileggi, Mark Jansen

**Clinical care pillar:** Raju Khubchandani

**ENCA representative:** Saskya Angevare

Vaccination working party is the youngest of PRES working parties, officially established in 2018 at PRES congress in Lisbon.

## **What has already been done so far?**

- Challenges in achieving consensus for vaccination with live attenuated vaccines in children with rheumatological disease — the variability of vaccination practices across the globe
- Live attenuated vaccines in pediatric rheumatic diseases are safe: Multicenter, retrospective data collection
- Results of a worldwide survey of approaches to vaccination of children with rheumatic diseases: a report of the PRoS Vaccinations working group

## **Future plans**

- The study on safety of MMR booster in children treated with biologic therapy and DMARDs/methotrexate
- Promotion of vaccination, education for health professionals and communication with children and their parents (ENCA).