

# News from EULAR

## EULAR WELCOMES THE INCOMING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

EULAR—The European Alliance of Associations for Rheumatology—is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Natascha Moriconi, Switzerland, as its new Executive Director. She is succeeding Dr Julia Rautenstrauch, Germany, in this role.

Dr Moriconi will focus on leading the EULAR Team and driving the new EULAR Strategy to its vision, mission and values.

The full press release is available at [EULAR press releases | EULAR](#)

## THE LATEST RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EULAR

► 2022 EULAR points to consider for the measurement, reporting and application of IFN- $\gamma$  pathway activation assays in clinical research and practice <https://ard.bmj.com/content/early/2023/02/28/ard-2022-223628>

For recommendations relevant to patient audiences, EULAR provides a lay summary version in English and calls on all interested organisations to disseminate them and encourage the translation into their own language. Translations are available for the following recommendations:

► 2022 EULAR points to consider for remote care in rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases <https://ard.bmj.com/content/81/8/1065>

Find more EULAR recommendations at [EULAR | Recommendations and initiatives](#)

## EULAR HAS LAUNCHED THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP: BLUE MEMBERSHIP

EULAR Individual Membership provides an outstanding opportunity for us to unite and work towards a better future,

improving the lives of people with rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases while reducing the burden of RMDs on individuals and society.

We encourage you to become an individual member and join us in making a meaningful impact. Membership | [EULAR](#)

## REGISTRATION FOR EULAR 2023 CONGRESS IN MILAN IS OPEN!

Students who are under 25 years of age have free access to the congress.

More details are available at [EULAR 2023 – Registration](#)

## THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME FOR EULAR 2023 IS AVAILABLE!

Are you ready to discover the latest scientific breakthroughs and cutting-edge research in rheumatology? The scientific programme for the upcoming EULAR 2023 Congress is available, and it features exciting scientific sessions with world-renowned speakers, insightful discussions and opportunities to network with peers from around the world.

[EULAR 2023 – Scientific programme](#)

## A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO MENTAL HEALTH

This initiative sets out how action at the EU level can help promote good mental health and prevent, reduce and react to mental health problems and how mental health considerations should be incorporated into a wide range of resilient EU and national policies for the benefit of people across the EU—Feedback from EULAR.

## RHEUMAFACTS

Another new project under the umbrella of the EULAR Research (Epidemiology and Health Services) and Advocacy Committees is RheumaFacts: an evidence-based source of publicly available information on the impact and resources related to rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases. With RheumaFacts, EULAR aims to support activities to increase awareness of RMDs and drive politics across Europe to reduce their

burden and health inequities. The product will involve timely reports and maps of the impact of RMDs in Europe.

## PATIENT-ENTERED SURVEY ON DISEASE IMPACT

Under the auspices of the EULAR Research Centre and in close collaboration with PARE, EULAR will launch a patient-entered survey on disease impact, a registry of data generated directly from people affected by rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases (RMDs). Through an online, longitudinal survey, patients can share their first-hand experience living with an RMD and how it impacts their quality of life. The data collected will help to identify and quantify gaps in the healthcare system, unmet medical needs and priorities, and opportunities in the workplace among RMD patients.

## THE EULAR FUNDING PROGRAMME CONTINUES

In 2023, the EULAR Research Centre will continue its Voucher programme, providing pump priming grants, publication support or grant writing support of up to 5000 EUR. Applications are reviewed quarterly, with the next deadline being 30 June 2023.

More information is available on [EULAR | EULAR Research Funding](#)

## EULAR SCHOOL OF RHEUMATOLOGY OFFERS FREE REGISTRATION FOR UKRAINIAN NATIONALS FOR EULAR ONLINE COURSES

To alleviate the hardships experienced by the people of Ukraine and support its scientific community, EULAR is providing free access to all EULAR Online Courses.

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