

Foundation for the Development of Internal Medicine in Europe

FDIME

Activities 2020-21

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FDIME Main activities

- offers ESIM Bursaries
- organizes with EFIM the Clinical Research Seminar
- Supports YI exchange program
- Supports poster prizes at ECIM
- Supports Research with annual grants

Informs the public on health issues



Covid 19 years

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic some of FDIME activities had to be cancelled

- the annual Clinical Research Seminar in Paris initially scheduled in June 2020
- Bursaries for the 2020 ESIM
- Best Posters prizes at ECIM 2020
- Bursaries for the EFIM exchange program

During the virtual ECIM 2021 three abstracts were awarded as FDIME best research abstracts: Dr. Janine Rupp (Austria), Dr. Lata Bhandary (Ireland) and Dr Stephanie Zühlke (Norway)



Research Grants 2020

- 17 500 euros grant to Dr P. Wolf from Vienna to Paris
 Diagnostic Algorithm in excess of Growth Hormone
- 8750 euros grant to Dr M. Manzillotta from Milan to Karolinska University in Sweden

Optimization of autoimmune pancreatitis treatment



Research Grants 2021

• 17 500 euros grant to Dr Benjamin Chaine (F)

Integrated proteomic analysis of blood B cells and skin fibroblasts in systemic sclerosis: toward proteomic B/F signatures of SSc patients.

at the Division of Medicine, Research Department of Inflammation Centre for Rheumatology and Connective Tissue Diseases at the University College London

• 17 500 euros grant to Dr Leonardo Bencivenga (I)

Role of frailty and polymorbidity on blood pressure variability in elderly. at the Aging Gerontopole, Toulouse University Hospital





Clinical Research Seminar

- From 25 to 27 October 2021 In Paris
- All expenses covered by the Foundation
- 10 academic speakers (6 countries)
- One patient representative
- Participants
 - 32 applicants
 - 14 accepted
 - 6 countries





Clinical Research Seminar topics

- Protection of persons in clinical research
- A patient's representative point of view
- How to deal with sample size and power
- Clinical epidemiology
- How to build a clinical trial
- Research in rare diseases
- Genetic research in Iceland





Clinical Research Seminar topics

- Clinical research on obesity
- Analyzing a clinical paper
- High yield tips in grant application writing
- How to write a medical paper
- How to communicate with the public
- Short presentations of their own experience in research by all residents



Public Information Letters

13 newsletters dedicated to Covid 19 issues

- In plain language accessible to lay people
- Giving the opinion of European Internists
- On epidemiology, virus and mutants, clinical symptoms and complications, diagnosis, immune response, treatments, vaccines and prevention...
- Thanks to active participation of FDIME Council members



Circulation of the newsletters (FAQs)

- Facebook (Numbers In average for each of 13 Newsletters)
 - people reached 120.000
 - "Emoji's" sent 2.150
 - written comment 15
 - shared pages 35
- Mailchimp (Numbers In average for each of 13 Newsletters)
 - 1000-1500 recipients,
 - 500-1500 opened,
 - 50-190 clicks
- Website (<u>www.fdime.org</u>)



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What next?

- Probably move to other major health topics
- Enlarge our audience
- Associate new experts and writers
- Obtain more financial support from sponsors and the public

All Internists interested in joining this fascinating experience are warmly welcomed!