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Clinical Working Group on Heart Failure

Heart failure is the main cause of hospitalisation in Internal Medicine departments across Europe. Internists care for most of patients hospitalized with heart failure. Furthermore, in recent times relevant advances on the knowledge and therapeutic of heart failure and its comorbidities have been developed and require a permanent update to assure a high-quality care to our patients.

Objectives

To promote the awareness of heart failure among European Internists and to promote common European strategies for prevention, diagnosis, and therapy of patients with heart failure.

Specific and primary aims of the Heart Failure WG are:

- to gather data on heart failure in European Internal Medicine departments.
- to gain and share scientific knowledge about heart failure.
- to increase the awareness on heart failure among Internists across Europe.
- to create specific curricular tracks on heart failure for medical students and Internal Medicine residents.
- to implement the development of European research projects on heart failure.
- to promote joined initiatives with other scientific societies interested on heart failure.
- to possibly coordinate future European multicentric clinical trials on heart failure.

General and future aims of the Heart Failure WG will be:

- to implement comprehensive approach in heart failure which is peculiar to Internal Medicine.
- to support the development of appropriate EU public health policies for heart failure.
- to increase international cooperation in scientific research among EFIM members.
- to coordinate studies aimed at developing new diagnostic and therapeutic procedures.
- to support campaign aimed at raising public awareness of heart failure in the EFIM Countries.



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- to provide comprehensive quality information to heart failure communities.

WG Chairman Profile

- Qualified clinical expertise in the management of patients with heart failure.
- Accredited merits on research and publications on heart failure.
- Contrasted experience in the organization of scientific meetings and congresses in this field.