

### **Young European Federation of Immunological Societies**

# General Assembly



October 21st, 2021



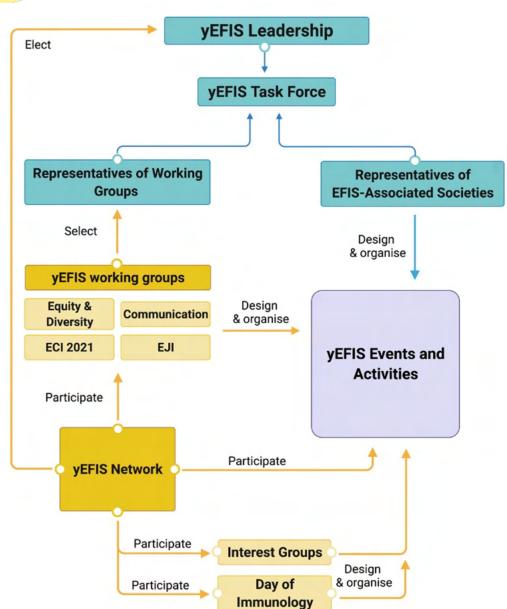
## yEFIS - Goals

Represent all early career researchers (ECR) working on Immunology in Europe ECR = less than 10 years of working experience

- 1. Promote national YI groups
- 2. Improve collaboration between YI
- 3. Bring visibility to YI:
  - International congresses
  - Promote their research
- 4. Connect YI and experienced scientists to shape the next generation of immunologists in Europe



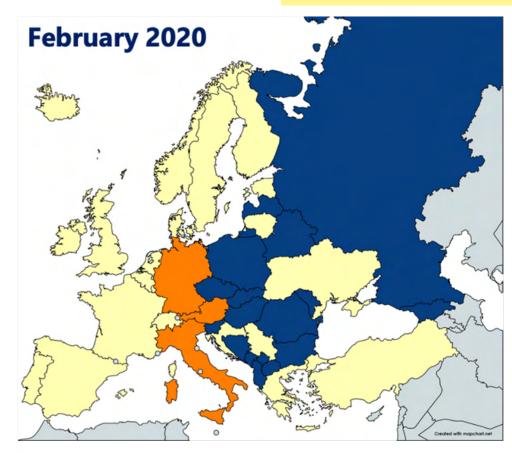
## Who are we?

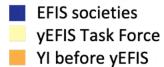


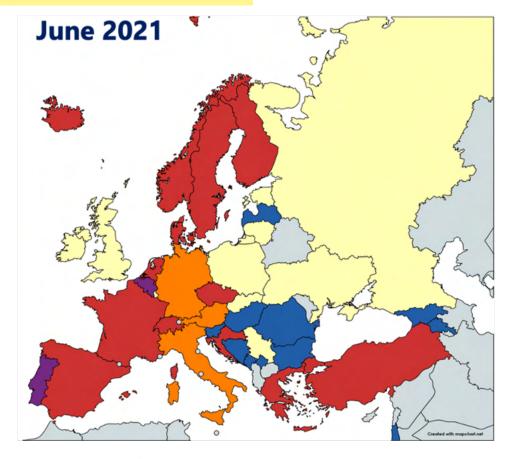


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## **Evolution of yEFIS Network**



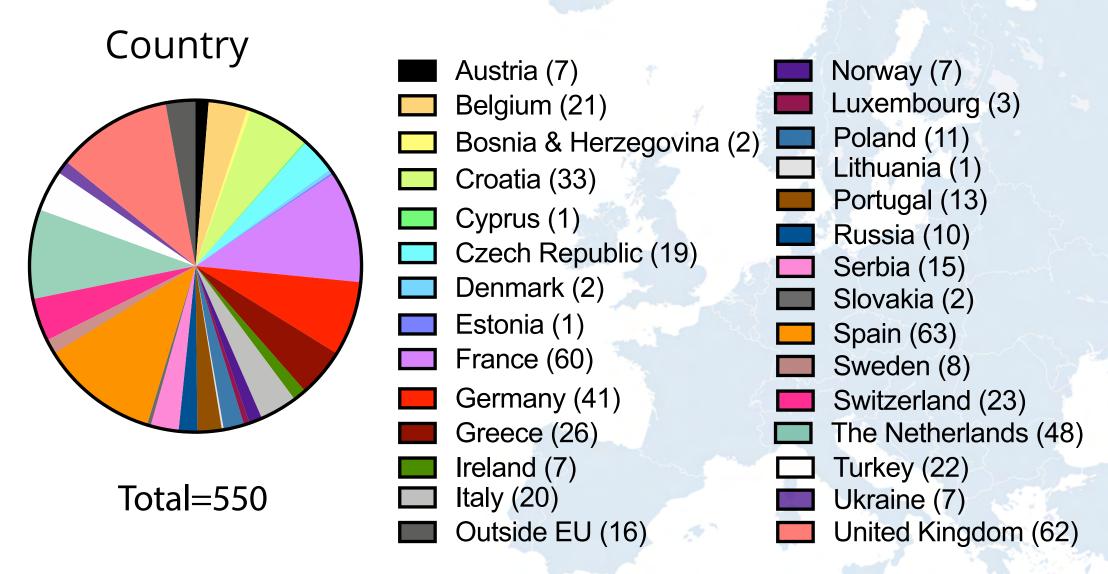




yEFIS Task Force
YI before yEFIS
YI launched after yEFIS

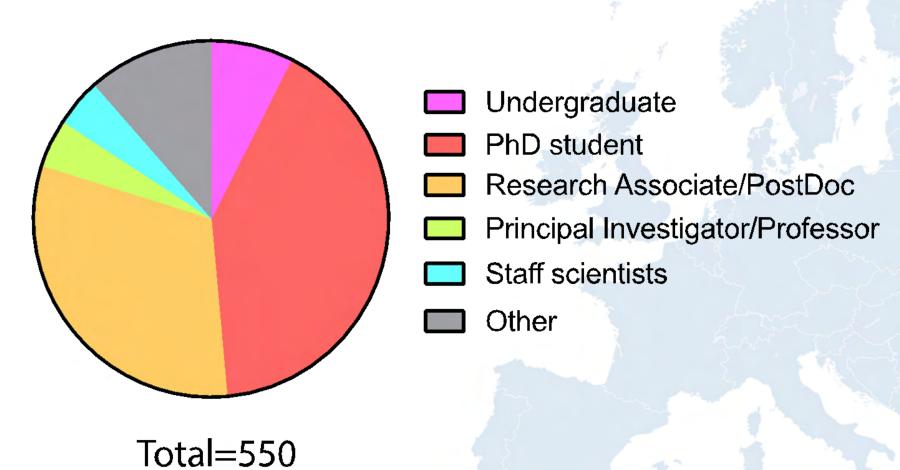
■ YI planned ■ EFIS societies

## **yEFIS Network**



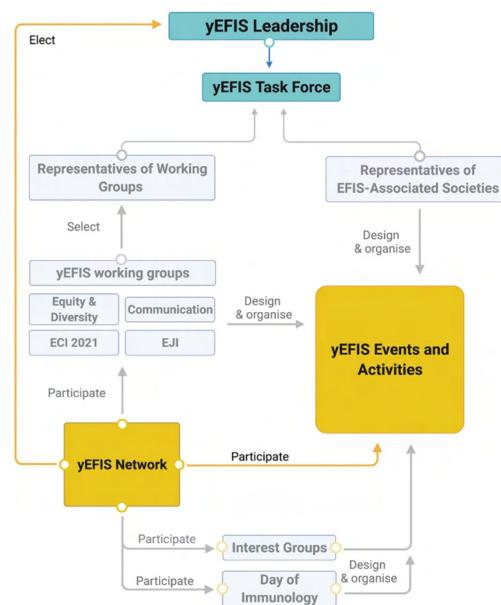
## **yEFIS Network**

## Position





## Who are we?



Previous Spokesperson
Santiago
Costas



## yEFIS Elected representatives 2021



**Spokesperson** 

Rami Bechara



Deputy Spokesperson

Nathaniel Saidu



**Treasurer** 

Myriam Nabhan

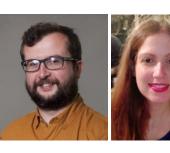
## Representatives of EFIS-associated societies



Johanna Strobl **Austrian Society** of Immunology



**Bieke Broux Belgian Society** of Immunology



**Eolan Healey and Maria Glymenaki** British Society of Immunology



Inga Kavazovic **Croatian Society** of Immunology



Marco de Zuani Czech Society of Immunology



**Branka Popovic Dutch Society** of Immunology



**Uku Haljasorg** Estonian Society for Immunology and Allergology



**Noushin Keller** French Society of Immunology



Laila Kulsvehagen German Society of Immunology



Aliki Xochelli Hellenic Society of Immunology



Federica Laudisi Italian Society of Immunology



**Daniel Johnson** Irish Society of Immunology



Lithuanian **Immunologists** Society



Justina Grigalyte Davide Franchina Michal Zarobkiewicz Luxembourgian Polish Society for Society of Experimental and Immunology Clinical Immunology



Ines Mesquita **Portuguese Society** of Immunology



Nadezhda Knauer and Margarita Barkovskava Russian Society of Immunology



**Aleksandra Popov** Immunological Society of Serbia



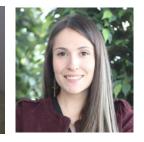
**Carmela Cela and Carlos Avnieno** Spanish Society of Immunology



Iva Filipovic and Marina Ruiz Scandinavian Society of Immunology



Daniela Latorre and Annika Hausmann Digdem Yoyen-Ermis Swiss Society of Allergology and Immunology



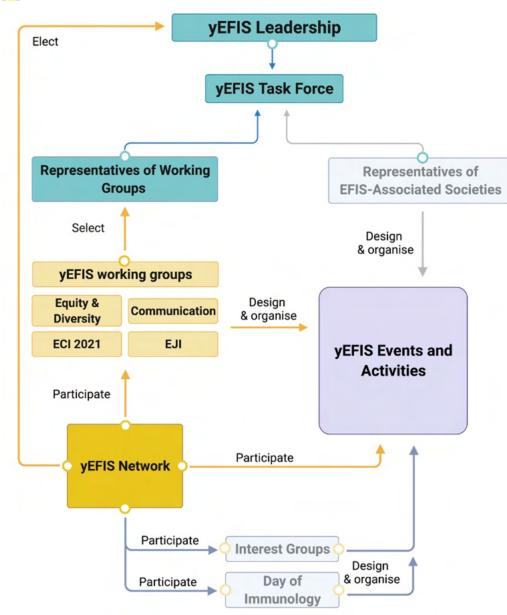
Turkish Society of Immunology



Rostyslav Bilyy Ukrainian Society of Specialists for Immunology, Allergology and Immunorehabilitation



## Who are we?



## **yEFIS** Working Groups coordinators





Ellen McAllister



EJI

Anne Hahn **Equity Diversity** 

**Education Career** 

Interest groups

yEFIS 1st Meeting

you?



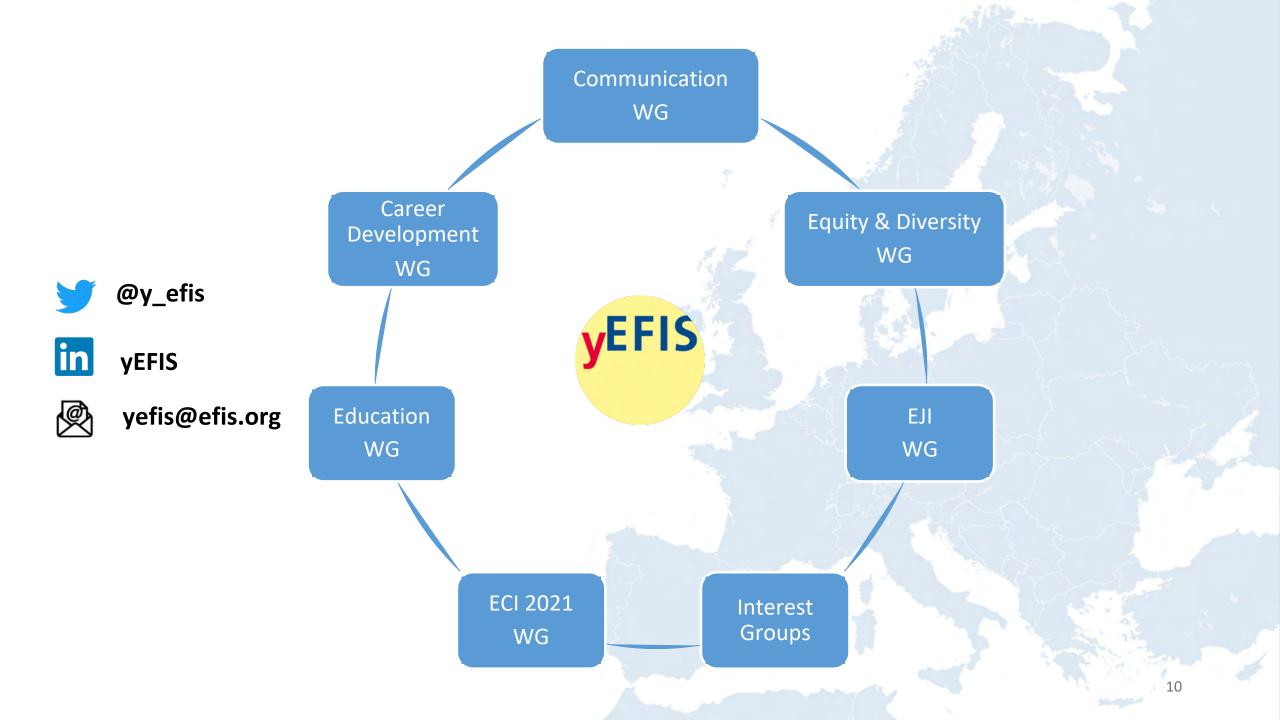
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## **yEFIS Communication WG**

- Establish the yEFIS website as a go-to place for all yEFIS information
- Set up and maintain yEFIS social media accounts (Twitter, LinkedIn)
- Monthly newsletter to keep our network connected and informed
- Promote our members research by sharing their publications, achievements...
- Day of Immunology

Career Development WG

Education

WG

Equity & Diversity WG

**yEFIS** 

Communication

WG

EJI WG

coordinator



Ellen McAllister German Society of Immunology



Anne Hahn German Society of Immunology



Federica Laudisi Italian Society of Immunology



Noushin Mossadegh-Keller
French Society of
Immunology



Carmela Cela Spanish Society of Immunology



Gizem Killec

Dutch Society of

Immunology

ECI 2021 WG

Interest Groups

## **y**EFIS EJI WG

An ongoing collaboration with the *European Journal of Immunology* 

- First paper published on September 2020: "Young EFIS joining forces to support Early Career Researchers in Immunology"
- Webinar to introduce the world of publishing to ECRs
- Participation in the EJI 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: EJI across generations, interview by yEFIS
- Participation in ECI 2021

#### 2020 coordinator



Rami Bechara French Society of Immunology

Ellen McAllister German Society of Immunology

#### 2021 coordinator



**Anne Hahn** German Society of Immunology



Laetitia Rolland French Society of Immunology



Hellenic Society of Immunology



Antonios Gkantaras Noushin Mossadegh-Keller French Society of Immunology

Career Development WG

Education WG

**Equity &** Diversity WG

**VEFIS** 

Communication

WG

EJI WG

ECI 2021 Interest Groups WG

## yEFIS ECI 2021 WG

# Should I stay or should I go – navigating the rough seas of career choices

- Over 700 attendees
- Panel discussion & "meet the speaker"
- Presentation about funding opportunities by the European Research Council

#### Coordinator



**Sophie Curio**British Society of Immunology



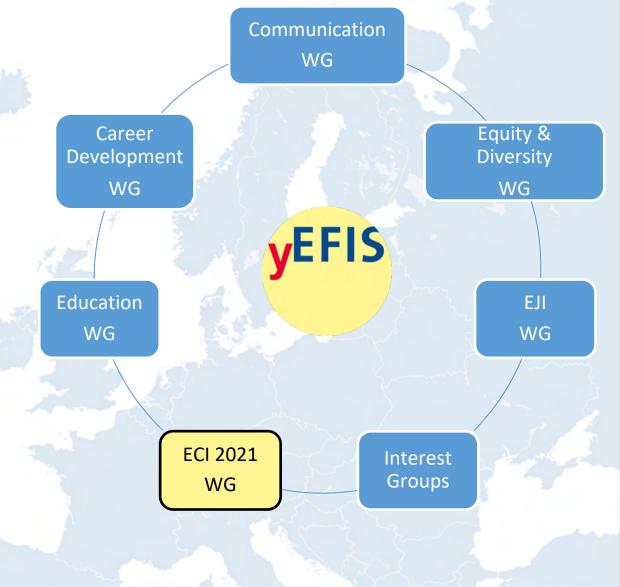
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French Society of
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Santiago Costas German Society of Immunology





## yEFIS 1st meeting WG

Prepare our first big event in 2022!





## **y**EFIS Equity & Diversity WG

Actions that promote, encourage and support an <u>equalitarian atmosphere</u>, in which everyone is welcome.

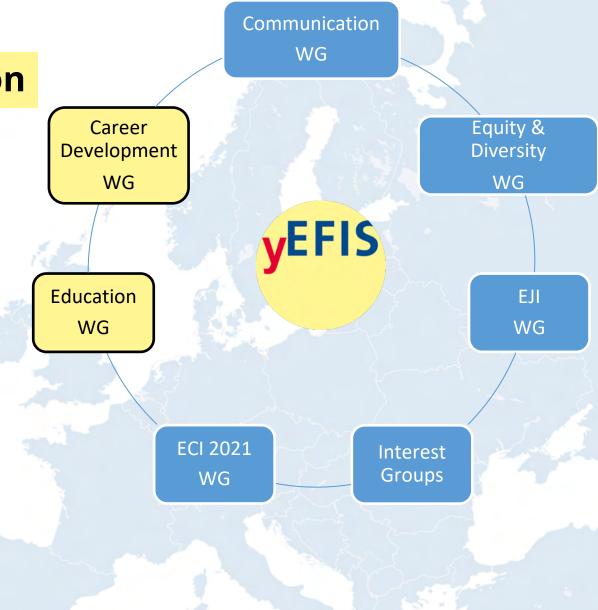




## yEFIS Career development & Education

- Career skills
- Funding
- Mentoring
- Work-life balance
- Collaboration with EFIS education WG





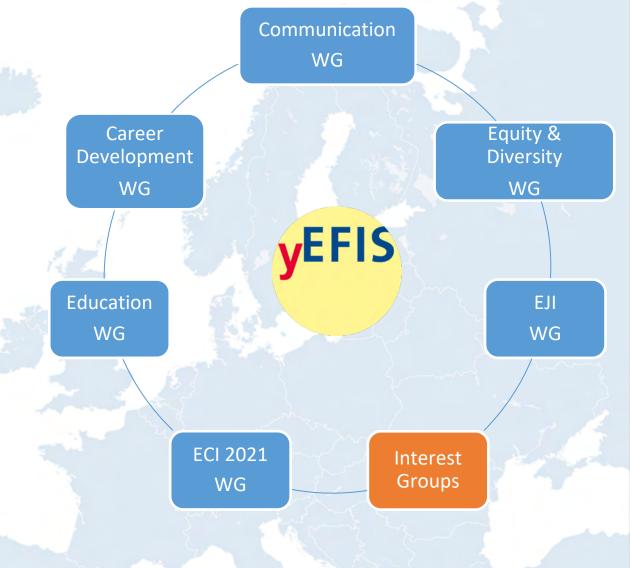
## **yEFIS Interest Groups**

- Mucosal immunology
- Autoimmunity
- Cancer immunology
- *Immunometabolism*
- Infectious diseases
- Immune tolerance / Transplantation
- Neuroimmunology
- Big data & immunology

## **Monthly calendar**

Each month, 1 interest group is promoted via social media, webinars, posters, publications prepared by **motivated YI** 





## **yEFIS Interest Groups**



#### Sophie Curio @sophiecurio · Aug 14

Replying to @sophiecurio

@GustavJonsson8 and I met at @imperialcollege, where I was doing my PhD working on NKG2D. He was actually my Master student, but very quickly didn't need me anymore and started his own project (to be published soon **99). /2** 











#### Sophie Curio @sophiecurio · Aug 14

In early 2020, I joined the @y\_efis and due to the lack of networking opportunities, I thought it would be cool to have informal seminars. This is where we met Sonja, and it turned out she was working on NKG2D too! (it's the coolest receptor after all). /3















#### Sophie Curio @sophiecurio · Aug 14

So here we are, a prime example of why networking is so important! If you're an ECR and haven't already, make sure to join the @y\_efis. Thanks for reading! /end



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#### Review

#### A summary of current NKG2D-based CAR clinical trials

Sophie Curio 1,2,\*,†,o, Gustav Jonsson 3,†,o, Sonja Marinović 4,5,† and the young European Federation of Immunological Societies (yEFIS)



## Want to be involved?

Are you interested in representing and organising young immunologists in your country?

Join the YI Group of your country -> Don't have one yet? We will help you to create one!

Are you interested in working on specific projects at a European level?

Join an active Working Group, or suggest your own idea and we'll support you to set it up



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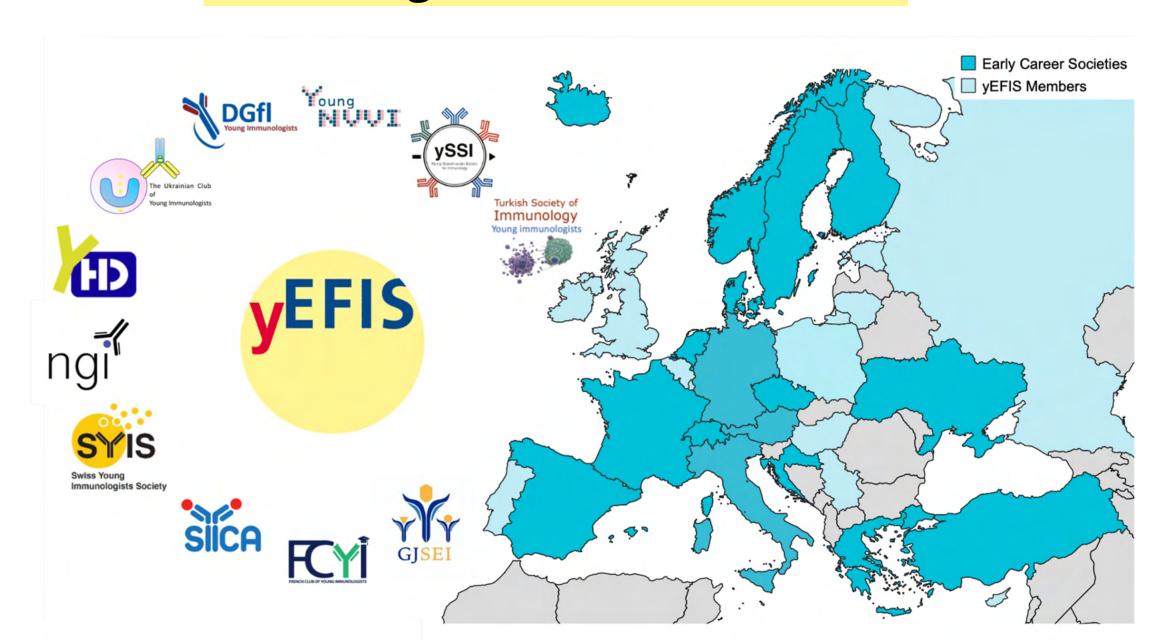


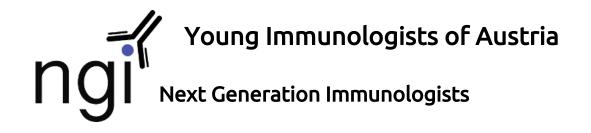
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## **Young National Societies**













85 members



yEFIS representatives
Johanna Strobl & Laura Gail

#### NGI lecture series 2020-2021



Immunology & Climate change



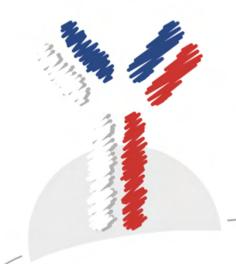
The immune system in early life



Immunology & Lifestyle

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# CZECH YOUNG IMMUNOLOGISTS





- \* Launched June 2021
- \* 30+ members and growing
- \* Monthly on-line meetings
- \* September 2021 T cell workshop (Prague)
- \* First in-person meeting @ Day of Immunology 2022
- \* MESIA 2022



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## Dutch Society of Young Immunologists: what we do

- Representation: immunologists <10 years experience within the Netherlands
- Activities: monthly informal meetings on various aspects of immunological research (both fundamental and clinical)
- Upcoming focus of the board: career development!
  - Workshop 'peer review'
  - I Job opportunities in- and outside academia (industry, journal editor etc.)







Immunology

WHEN STREET

Eur. J. Immunol. 2021. 53: 1875-1881

News & EFIS 1879 4

#### French club of Young Immunologists: One year and counting

Rami Bechara<sup>1,2\*</sup> Mathieu F. Chevaller<sup>1,3</sup> Laetitia Gautreau-Rolland<sup>1,4</sup> Myriam Nabhan<sup>1,5</sup> Sylvain Simon<sup>1,6</sup> and Noushin Mossadegh-Keller<sup>1,7\*</sup>

The COVID-19 pandemic has disturbed the economic and social life across the world. Scientists, just like everyone else, were left with uncertainty and anxiety. Of those, young and early career immunologists were dealing with prolonged university and research laboratory lockdowns, cancelled conferences and career development instability. Thus, there is a major and unmet need for new actions that support young scientists. Luckily, over the past years, several European associations of young immunologists have been launched. This was followed by the establishment of the young European Federation of immunological Societies (yERS) [1, 2]. These events facilitated the creation of the French Club of Young Immunologists (FCYI), under the auspices of the French Society for Immunology (SFI), to promote an ecosystem that brings together French trained young immunologists working in France or abroad (Fig. 1, 2). In this article, we introduce our one-year old club and describe our past, ongoing and future activities (Fig. 3).

- Plenary FCYI session
- Best 2020 Thesis prize
- Best PhD article



@FCYImmuno



@FCYImmunologists



@FrenchClubYoungImmunologists



@FrenchClubYoungImmunologists

## Young immunologists (YI) Germany



#### **About us**

- ☐ Representative body of the German association DGfl
- ☐ Founded in 2016
- 16 working groups
- $\square > 350$  members

#### **Our objectives**

- Networking
- Career development
- Scientific exchange
- Exchange of methods
- ☐ Political work, education, support for young scientists

**NEW** YI-DGFI **BOARD** 2021-2023















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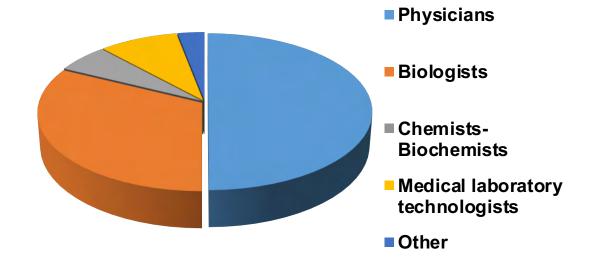
www.dgfi.org/young-immunologists





## Hellenic Society of Immunology Young Immunologists

34 members



Work in progress

Site

Logo

Social Media

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Founded in 2017





SIICA School of Immunology (28th February- 4th March 2022, virtual) SIICA National Congress (SIICA JF session) (22nd -25th May 2022, Naples, Italy) SIICA International PhD Retreat (15th -17th September 2022, L'Aquila, Italy)











#### Join now!

## young Scandinavian Society for Immunology

ySSI aims to build a **network** of early career **researchers** across Norway, Iceland, Finland, Sweden, and Denmark, to **disseminate** their research, **defend** their interests and **support** their career development as well as to increase their visibility on all levels.



Read more and become a member of our growing network so that you can stay up to date with what's going on!

https://scandinavianimmunology.nu/become-a-member/

Launched in 2020 by Iva Filipovic and Marina Ramírez-Galera

Task Force constitution September 2021

4 main committees that organize the activities:

- Career
- Communications
- Outreach/public engagement
- ySSI seminar series





## Grupo Joven SEI



#### **COMMITTEE**



Carlos Ávila Nieto



Carmela Cela Rodríguez



**Adriel Antonio** Roa Bautista



Laura Viñas Giménez Gómez Touriño



Iria

#### **MEMBERS**



#### **PAST ACTIVITIES**

Inaugural Session on October 7th 2021



#### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

- **Campus SEI Creation**
- **Journal Clubs**
- **Mentoring Sesions**
- **Immunology Day**

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

@GrupoJovenSEI



Grupo Joven de la SEI







## **Swiss Young Immunologists Society**



#### Founded on 15.09.2020 > 170 SYIS members, ~20 active members

#### Logo competition



#### Social Media/Homepage

- Share your publications
- Find job offers
- stay informed about seminars, conferences and courses



#### **Seminar Series**





Dr. Daniela Latorre Dr. Annika Hausmann (ETH) (ETH)

## **Annual SSAI Congress 2021**





#### **Partners**

2022 Registration as a society

**SYIS Annual Meeting** 

Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Allergologie und Immunologie

#### Young Immunologists in Turkish Society of Immunology (YI\_TSI)



Digdem Yoyen-Erm is, PhD
TSI yEFIS representative

Bursa Uludag University Faculty of Medicine, Department of Immunology, BURSA, TURKEY

President of TS IYI |Turk is h Society of Immunology Young Immunologist|



Ahmet Eken, PhD

Board Member

Erciyes University Faculty of

Medicine, Department of Medical

Biology,

KAYSERI, TURKEY

Career Support WG Leader



Gokhan Tazegul, MD Board Member Akdeniz University Faculty of Medicine Department of Internal Medicine Immunology, ANTALYA, TURKEY Medical Education WG Leader



Elif Eren, PhD

Board Member

Bogazici University, Department of

Molecular Biology and Genetics,

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

Higher Education WG Leader



Didem Ozkazanc Unsal, Ph D candidate Board Member Sa bancı University, Molecular Biology, Genetics and Bioengineering Programs, ISTANBUL, TURKEY

Elland ECI2021 WG Leader



Communication WG Leader

Ece Tavukcuoglu, PhD candidate As li k
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Hacettepe University Cancer Institute, Izmir B
Department of Basic Oncology
ANKARA, TURKEY



As li Korkmaz, PhD candidate

Board Member

Izmir Biomedicine and Genome

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IZMIR, TURKEY

Diversity WG Leader







# Thank you!



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