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The European Stroke Organisation (ESO) is a Paneuropean society of stroke researchers, national and regional stroke societies and lay people organisations that has been founded in December 2007. It has been formed as a merger of two previous stroke related associations, the European Stroke Council (ESC) and the European Stroke Initiative (EUSI).

„The European Stroke Society will be a formidable advocate for the improvement of stroke outcomes and is supported by leading clinicians from across Europe. This will allow us to develop and support policies which will actively tackle the stroke burden.“ (Prof Hacke, Chairman of ESO)

The Mission of the ESO

The ESO's major objective is to improve and optimise the management of stroke in Europe by providing medical education for healthcare professionals and the lay public in Europe. By offering best practice approaches on a European level, the ESO's goal is to harmonise stroke management in Europe. The ESO focuses on European projects as distinct from national activities.



Executive Committee

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The ESO is dedicated to the following purposes:

1. To promote awareness, management, teaching and research in all aspects of stroke
2. To develop and promote public policy to reduce the number of deaths by stroke and to improve the care of stroke victims and the quality of life of stroke victims
3. To reduce the global burden of stroke throughout Europe
4. To develop and promote professional and public education
5. To develop and promote other appropriate activities such as fundraising and prevention programs
6. To develop, promote, and coordinate international teaching programs through national/regional organisations
7. To advise and guide on fundraising skills in order that national foundations and societies are enabled to finance a greater level and range of activities
8. To foster the development of an international communications system by encouraging the regional activities of organisations, stroke networks, foundations and organisations, as they operate within the goals and objectives of the Organisation
9. To participate in, and promote programs for the European Stroke Conference (ESC)
10. To support the Journal „Cerebrovascular Diseases“

Activities

The ESO organises many activities throughout the year, such as the organisation of yearly stroke summer schools and symposia on stroke controversies, sponsoring a European Master of Stroke medicine program, implementation of standards for stroke care and stroke units in Europe and, most importantly, the development of European guidelines for the management of ischemic stroke.

New ESO Recommendations for Stroke Management

The ESO Guidelines 2008 represent an update of the 2003 EUSI Guidelines. Again, they cover the whole spectrum of ischaemic stroke, from teaching and awareness, to stroke unit and stroke management strategies, primary and secondary prevention, acute treatment and rehabilitation. The Guidelines will be updated on a regular basis, at least two times per year. The updated versions will appear on the website with colour coded identification of the additions and changes.

Membership

Become an ESO Member and make an investment in your professional future ! The Membership is valid for one year, and starts with June 1 and ends with Mai 31 of the following year. ESO Members can choose between the following 3 benefits:

- Free access to the electronic version of Cerebrovascular Diseases
- A discount of Euro 40.- to the ESC registration of the following year
- Priority registration to ESC teaching courses

Fees

Regular membership fee	100 €
Fellow of the ESO	200 €
Junior member* * <35 years; participation in last ESC mandatory	free

For members residing in a country designated by the World Bank rating as a Low Income Country, the dues for membership will be reduced to 25.- Euro per year for regular membership and 50 Euro per year for Fellow of the ESO.

The ESO awards the title **Fellow of the ESO** to physicians with outstanding work in the field of stroke medicine, reaserach and education. Consider elevating your member status to Fellow, the ESO's honoured category of membership!

Apply for ESO membership online at www.eso-stroke.org

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