Activity Report

ESC COUNCIL ON VALVULAR HEART DISEASE
FISCAL YEAR 2022 (APRIL 2021 TO MARCH 2022)
I am pleased to present the 2022 activity report of the ESC Council on Valvular Heart Disease. Despite this very unusual context, the Board has kept up with the development of projects to promote education in the screening, diagnosis and treatment of Valvular Heart Disease. Our wish remains to gradually create an accreditation process in connection with the ESC Core Curriculum (Heart Valve Specialists Core Syllabus), which is available on our website.

Our membership is growing with more than 2300 members. We have identified 25 national ambassadors. Our ambition is to have an ambassador for each country whose role is to connect all of the colleagues dedicated to the care of valvular pathologies.

Our group has also participated in the writing or reviewing of many consensus documents and is actively part of the new ESC guidelines being developed on valvular diseases.

As Chairperson of the Council, I would like to thank all the members of the nucleus for the work done during these last months.

Let’s take advantage of the ESC Council on Valvular Heart Disease!
Highlights from 2021-2022

- Membership grown to over 2,300 members from multiple disciplines.

- Contributed to scientific documents.

- Developed two webinars on valvular heart disease.
Council on Valvular Heart Disease Nucleus
2020-2022

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Membership

As of March 2022, the Council on Valvular Heart Disease had over 2,400 members. The Council continues to reach out to members via a quarterly e-newsletter and a member directory.

The Council also shares relevant news with a wider audience of healthcare professionals, via the ESC Council on Valvular Heart Disease Linkedin Group.

The Council negotiated for reduced registration fees for its members to the Eurovalve 2021 Congress.

Education

Scientific Documents

The Council has been involved in developing Consensus Documents and Position Papers in collaboration with other ESC Constituent Bodies.

- **Multi-Modality Imaging Assessment of Native Valvular Regurgitation: an EACVI and ESC Council of Valvular Heart Disease Position Paper** - Published in EHJ Cardiovascular Imaging, March 2022
- **Management of antithrombotic therapy in patients undergoing transcatheter aortic valve implantation: a consensus document of the ESC Working Group on Thrombosis and the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions (EAPCI), in collaboration with the ESC Council on Valvular Heart Disease** - Published in the European Heart Journal, April 2021
Webinars

The Council organised two webinars in 2021-2022:

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Research

In 2021 the Council carried out a survey to record the differences in clinical practice when dealing with valvular heart disease patients. Over 500 responses were received, and the results have been presented in an article entitled: “European survey on Valvular Heart Disease: clinical experience from the ESC Council on Valvular Heart Disease”. It was recently submitted for publication to EHJ Open.