



**ESCCA**  
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for Clinical Cell Analysis



## ESCCA NEWSLETTER

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Getting ready....

Last year was an important year for our society. Beyond our regular activities, we've been busy preparing for the launch of our new statutes and structure. This vital change, approved by the General Assembly last year, will ensure we operate with greater efficiency and transparency.

Registration for the upcoming Conference is about to open! We anticipate continued growth in participant numbers, drawn by our appealing scientific programme, an amazing venue, open interaction with sponsors, and the unique opportunity to reconnect with colleagues and friends. Elevate further the scientific quality of the conference by submitting your abstracts and showcasing your newest results!

Take a look at the latest news on the following pages and ...

let's flamingle in Montpellier!

With 7 flamingos leading the way (a.k.a. your dedicated Board members), get ready to flock together for an inspiring conference experience. We're all set to stretch our wings and dive into a vibrant programme – and we can't wait to welcome the rest of the ESCCA flock at the Conference!



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## ESCCA 2025 - Let's flamingle!

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Experience the vibrant spirit of southern France at our upcoming ESCCA Conference in **Montpellier**, from **17 - 20 September 2025**. Think: sipping local wines under the sun, salty landscapes and flamboyant pink animals (yes, flamingos!). Montpellier offers a rich tapestry of experiences that will, combined with a varied conference programme, inspire, connect, and delight.

We composed an interesting programme for you, designed to provide you with many high quality presentations that will no doubt stimulate intellectual discussions. Renowned international keynote speakers have agreed to share their knowledge with you during plenary keynote sessions and interactive case presentation sessions. The two parallel educational tracks on haematology and immunology will allow you to compose your personal programme.

Last but not least, 5 pre-conference workshops are offered on Wednesday morning 21 September. Make sure to [register](#) early - there are only 20 places available per workshop!

Registration and abstract submission are now open. The top 8 oral abstracts will be presented in two plenary sessions, after which one presenter will be selected for the ESCCA Best Oral Abstract Award. Posters will be on display during the entire Conference; five of these will be eligible to win the ESCCA Best Poster Award. [Submit your abstract](#) before the deadline of **25 June!** Only on-time abstracts will be considered for oral presentation.

Speaking of flamingling, the Conference Dinner at the beach will be the perfect opportunity for that. You might even see flocks of flamingos on the way to the dinner venue, Effet Mer. Their motto: Life is a beach. We couldn't agree more. Bring your flipflops.

Finally, ESCCA would like to express their gratitude for the 2025 sponsors. Without their support we wouldn't be able to organise this Conference for you!

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<https://escca.eu/escca2025>

## New ESCCA Affiliated Societies

ESCCA warmly welcomes two new Affiliated Societies:

**Baltic**   
**Flow Cytometry**  
**Society** 

M. Marcinkeviciaus str. 1-23  
Vilnius, Lithuania  
Website: <https://www.balticflow.org/>



Cytometry in Hematology Association  
47 boulevard de l'Hôpital  
Paris, France  
Website: <https://www.cythem.fr/>

Did you know that as a member of an ESCCA Affiliated Society, you are entitled to a reduced fee for the basic ESCCA membership? The other societies are:

- Australasian Cytometry Society (ACS)
- Czech Society for Analytical Cytology
- Hellenic Society of Cytometry
- Italian Society for Cytometric Cell Analysis (ISCCA)
- Dutch Society for Cytometry
- Sociedad Ibérica de Citometría (SIC)
- Swiss Cytometry Society (SCS)

For more information, go to <https://escca.eu/societies/affiliated-societies>

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## ESCCA Certification Exams news

ESCCA congratulates the following members with having passed the ESCCA Certification Exam since September 2024:

### Level 1 . The European Certificate for Cytometry Operators

- Taha Alaradi, SMC, Bahreyn, Bahrain
- Shaikah Aleid, Johns Hopkins Aramco Healthcare, Damman, Saudi Arabia
- Horia Mihail Sandu, Fundeni Clinical Institute, Bucharest, Romania

- Petrov Steliyan, Plovdiv Medical University, Plovdiv, Bulgaria
- Valeriia Konashenkova, ML "Dila", Kyiv, Ukraine

## Level 2. The European Certificate for Cytometry Specialists - hemato-oncology

- Taha Alaradi, SMC, Bahreyn, Bahrain

Interested in taking the Exam as well? Please see the [ESCCA Certification page](#) in the Education section for more information. There, you can also download the Guidelines.

**Limited validity!** The Certification is valid for three years. Reinstatement of certification before the date of expiration is free of charge. For reinstatement of certification after the date of expiration but no more than 5 years, a fee of €50 is charged. Please refer to the Guidelines on how to apply for reinstatement. Reinstatement of an expired certificate for more than 5 years is not possible. In that case you will be required to retake and pass the certification examination in order to reinstate their certification.

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## ESCCA Forum

Last year ESCCA launched a forum for ESCCA members, intended to support mutual learning for experienced diagnosticians; Haematopathologists, Cytometrists, Haematologists, Immunologists. This is a friendly virtual forum where we take turns to present cases/brief case series that could be educational, challenging, or perhaps an example of something rare. Or an unusual or difficult MRD interpretation, with follow-up letting us know what happened next. While we work in a WHO/ICC diagnostic setting, flow cytometry will play a key role.

The forums are currently planned as monthly, zoom sessions, on a Thursday at 3 pm CET, and to last around 45 minutes. For more information, see <https://escca.eu/education/escca-forum-public>.

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## ESCCA Schools

### XII. Prague School on Flow Cytometry – Virtual

Practical and interactive course on advanced applications in hematology-oncology and immunology.

Dates: 20-23 October 2025

**Extended deadline for application: 30 September 2025**

This highly rated, informal and convivial course on advanced applications in hematology-oncology and immunology features:

- ✓ State of the art Panel designs, Analysis strategies and Interpretation following ESCCA, ICCS, ELN, ERIC and EuroFlow Guidelines
- ✓ Guidelines for CLSI-H62 Validation and ISO 15189 Accreditation
- ✓ Training for ESCCA Certification for Cytometry Operators and Specialists
- ✓ Distinguished International Speakers
- ✓ 1 Year free participation in the ESCCA Interlaboratory Comparison programme
- ✓ New topics

Download the programme from the ESCCA website <https://www.escca.eu/meetings>

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### Other meetings

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#### III Brazilian Flow Cytometry Symposium (online)

Dates: 6-7 June 2025

Translation will be available.

Website: <https://abhh.iweventos.com.br/citometria2025>

#### Webinar: MRD Monitoring of AML - State of the Art

Dates: 16 June 2025

Website: <https://farmacotherapie.org/live/mrd-testing-state-of-the-art/>

#### BFCS 2026 International Conference - 2nd Conference of the Baltic Flow Cytometry Society

Dates: 9-20 March 2026

Place: Riga, Latvia

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### ESCCA membership

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There are many benefits to being a member and participating in the organization of ESCCA, not the least of which is access to the Journal Cytometry-part B at a reduced price and substantially reduced fees for the annual Conference. We warmly invite you to join ESCCA and find opportunities for the advancement of your profession.

Join ESCCA and

- attend the annual ESCCA Conferences at a substantially reduced price
- download teaching material and presentations from past ESCCA Conferences
- take the [ESCCA Certification Examination](#) at a significantly lower fee
- free ESCCA Inter-Laboratory Comparison Program (EILCP)
- receive expert advice and assistance with diagnostic and technical problems
- For experienced cytometrists: present a case in a friendly environment, the ESCCA Case Forum (Virtual, monthly meetings)

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