

SECOND announcement and call for registration

EURADOS Annual Meeting 2021

AM2021

VIRTUAL MEETING

INVITATION

Dear EURADOS Community,

Normal life continues to be affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. In this normal life, it had become a tradition to meet with the whole EURADOS community in the beginning of each year. But unfortunately it will not be possible to have our beloved Annual Meeting in Belgrade in 2021. Given the large uncertainties about the pandemic, we are forced to change our habits by turning our traditional Annual Meeting into a totally virtual event.

As in previous years, the AM2021 will include the official EURADOS General Assembly that will take place online on 3 February 2021 (see agenda below).

The meetings of all the EURADOS Working Groups will take place online within the two weeks before the General Assembly between 19 January and 2 February 2021 (see agenda below).

To support the EURADOS commitment of education and training, we will still organise a Winter School. This 14th EURADOS Winter School will be devoted to the topic of "Fetal radiation risk: dose assessment in occupational, medical and emergency situations". This event will take place online on 3 and 4 February 2021 (see agenda below).

The intercomparison IC2019_{exteye} virtual participants' meeting will be organised in the first months of 2021. The dates will be communicated as soon as possible.

Despite the very special circumstances, we hope that this event will enable the dosimetry community to stay in touch, strengthen existing contacts and develop new ones, and foster the emergence of innovative scientific ideas.

We do hope that in 2022 we will be able to meet in person again in Belgrade, Serbia!



Filip Vanhavere
Chairperson EURADOS

TIMETABLES

EURADOS General Assembly and Winter School (UTC+1 = Brussels time)

| Time (UTC+1) | Wednesday 03.02.2021 | Thursday 04.02.2021 |
|--------------|--|---|
| 09.00-09.30 | 33rd EURADOS General Assembly¹⁾ | |
| 09.30-10.00 | | |
| 10.00-10.30 | Break | |
| 10.30-10.45 | 33rd EURADOS General Assembly¹⁾ | |
| 10.45-11.30 | | |
| 11.30-12.00 | | |
| 12.00-12.30 | | |
| 12.30-13.00 | Break | |
| 13.00-13.30 | | |
| 13.30-14.00 | 14th EURADOS Winter School²⁾ | |
| 14.00-14.30 | | |
| 14.30-15.00 | | |
| 15.00-15.30 | | |
| 15.30-16.00 | Break | Break |
| 16.00-16.30 | 14th EURADOS Winter School²⁾ | 14th EURADOS Winter School²⁾ |
| 16.30-17.00 | | |
| 17.00-17.30 | | |
| 17.30-18.00 | | |

¹⁾ See agenda of the General Assembly on page 4.

²⁾ Topic of the Winter School: "Fetal radiation risk: dose assessment in occupational, medical and emergency situations". See details on pages 5 and 6.

EURADOS Working Group Meetings (UTC+1)

The following tables list the Working Groups (WG), and contacts, as well as the dates (page 3) of the meetings that will take place online within the two weeks before the General Assembly. The agenda for each WG meeting will be distributed in advance to the WG members.

Participants are primarily the members of the WG, but they are also open to any interested person.

| Working groups | WG Chairperson and email address | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| WG2 – Harmonisation of individual monitoring | Phil Gilvin | phil.gilvin@phe.gov.uk |
| WG3 – Environmental dosimetry | Arturo Vargas | arturo.vargas@upc.edu |
| WG6 – Computational dosimetry | Hans Rabus | hans.rabus@ptb.de |
| WG7 – Internal dosimetry | Bastian Breustedt | bastian.breustedt@kit.edu |
| WG9 – Dosimetry in radiotherapy | Liliana Stolarczyk | lilsto@rm.dk |
| WG10 – Retrospective dosimetry | Liz Ainsbury | liz.ainsbury@phe.gov.uk |
| WG11 – High-energy radiation fields | Marco Caresana | marco.caresana@polimi.it |
| WG12 – Dosimetry in medical imaging | Željka Knežević | zknez@irb.hr |

| Working groups | Type of meeting | Day 1 | Day 2 <i>(if any)</i> | Day 3 <i>(if any)</i> |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| WG2 – Harmonisation of individual monitoring | whole group | 19/01/2021 09:00-12:00 | | |
| WG3 – Environmental dosimetry | whole group | 02/02/2021 10:00-11:00 | | |
| WG3.1 – <i>Spectrometry systems for environmental dosimetry</i> ¹⁾ | <i>sub-group</i> | 28/01/2021 10:00-12:00 | | |
| WG3.2 – <i>Passive environmental dosimetry</i> ¹⁾ | <i>sub-group</i> | 28/01/2021 15:00-17:00 | | |
| WG3.3 – <i>Radon</i> ¹⁾ | <i>sub-group</i> | 29/01/2021 10:00-12:00 | | |
| WG6 – Computational dosimetry | whole group | 27/01/2021 13:00-18:00 | 29/01/2021 09:00-13:00 | |
| WG7 – Internal dosimetry | whole group | 26/01/2021 16:00-18:00 | 27/01/2021 09:00-12:00 | 28/01/2021 16:00-18:00 |
| WG9 – Dosimetry in radiotherapy | whole group | 26/01/2021 09:00-14:00 | | |
| WG9.1 – <i>Computational methods in medical physics</i> ¹⁾ | <i>sub-group</i> | 28/01/2021 09:00-14:00 | | |
| WG9.2 – <i>Hadron radiotherapy</i> ¹⁾ | <i>sub-group</i> | 27/01/2021 09:00-14:00 | | |
| WG10 – Retrospective dosimetry | whole group | 21/01/2021 09:00-17:00 | | |
| WG11 – High-energy radiation fields | whole group | 25/01/2021 09:00-17:30 | 26/01/2021 09:00-17:30 | 27/01/2021 15:00-17:30 |
| WG12 – Dosimetry in medical imaging | whole group | 25/01/2021 09:00-17:00 | | |
| Joint meeting WG9-WG11 – Experimental campaign in the Mevion facility in Maastricht | joint meeting | 26/01/2021 14:00-17:00 | | |
| Joint meeting WG9-WG12 – Total doses in RT - OBI project | joint meeting | 29/01/2021 14:00-17:00 | | |
| EURADOS/EANM meeting | joint meeting | 28/01/2021 14:00-16:00 | | |

¹⁾The WG sub-group meetings are not part of the registration form in our online registration platform. If you would like to participate in a sub-group meeting, please directly contact the responsible WG Chairperson.

Agenda of the 33rd EURADOS General Assembly (*online event*)

3 February 2021 (9:00-13:00, UTC+1)

1. **Opening address:** Filip Vanhavere, 09:00-09:10
2. **Verification of the number of Voting Members present or represented:** Jean-François Bottollier-Depois, 09:10-09:15
3. **Acceptance of the Agenda**
4. **Chairperson's report:** Filip Vanhavere, 09:15-09:45
5. **Financial report 2020 and budget plan 2021:** Oliver Hupe, 09:45-10:05
6. **Report from financial auditors:** Veronika Olšovcová and Roger Harrison, 10:05-10:15
7. **Approval of financial report and discharge of the Extended Executive Board from liability**
8. **Presentation of EURADOS Young Scientist Awards and Grants:** Elena Fantuzzi, 10:15-10:30
9. **Break:** 10:30-10:45
10. **Presentation of ethical code, conflict of interest procedure and the proposed changes in the constitution:** Paola Fattibene, Bastian Breustedt, Jean-François Bottollier-Depois and Filip Vanhavere, 10:45-11:15
11. **Voting on new constitution**
12. **Presentation and election of New Voting Members:** 11:15-11:30
13. **Report of EURADOS Working Groups:** 11:30-12:50
 - a: WG2: Phil Gilvin
 - b: WG3: Arturo Vargas
 - c: WG6: Hans Rabus
 - d: WG7: Bastian Breustedt
 - e: WG9: Liliana Stolarczyk
 - f: WG10: Liz Ainsbury
 - g: WG11: Marco Caresana
 - h: WG12: Željka Knežević
14. **Closure and announcement of place and date of next General Assembly:** 12:50-13:00

All Voting Members are kindly invited to participate in this General Assembly, as well as, as usual, each EURADOS associate member.

14th EURADOS Winter School (*online event*)
**'Fetal radiation risk: dose assessment in occupational,
medical and emergency situations'**

3 February 2021 (14:30-18:00 UTC+1) and 4 February 2021 (14:30-18:00 UTC+1)

Scope

It is well known that the developing conceptus (embryo or fetus) is highly radiosensitive, and the potential detrimental effects of ionising radiation on both the unborn child and breastfeeding infants are of particular concern in the context of radiation protection. Consequently, substantial efforts have been undertaken in ionising radiation research to improve our knowledge of dosimetry, radiation effects and risks from occupational, medical or public exposures of pregnant and breastfeeding women, and more generally of females of child-bearing age.

The International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP), the European Commission (EC) and the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP), along with many other national organisations have developed guidance on radiation risks following prenatal (in-utero) irradiation, including practical recommendations on in-utero medical exposures, and dose coefficients for the embryo/fetus. In addition, there is a significant body of scientific literature reviewing experimental animal data on the in-utero effects of radiation and evaluating human studies concerning the in-utero risk of cancer induction and effects on the developing brain.

The Winter School will present an overview of our current understanding of the scientific evidence for radiation risks and potential outcomes, including congenital malformations, growth retardation, loss of pregnancy, mental retardation and cancer risks to the unborn child and pregnant patient. Ionising radiation from all sources will be presented with additional focus on specific situations such as exposure to pregnant workers, medical exposures (radiotherapy and diagnostic imaging) and emergency situations. The assessment of effective dose and committed effective dose as well as the protective measures to mitigate risk to all developmental stages from conceptus to the breastfed infant will be discussed. Finally, counseling and communicating the risk to a pregnant woman, along with examples of situation in various European countries will be presented.

All lectures will be given by internationally well-known scientists who are involved in the field. Participants will receive a certificate of attendance. EURADOS will apply for the event accreditation through the European Board for Accreditation in Medical Physics (EBAMP).

Topics

- > Epidemiology & Biological effects
- > External and internal dosimetry
- > Occupational and medical exposures
- > Emergency situations
- > International and national recommendations
- > Radiation related risk communication

Scientific Committee

- > Eleftheria Carinou (Greek Atomic Energy Commission – EEAE, Greece)
- > Augusto Giussani (Federal Office for Radiation Protection – BfS, Germany)
- > Una O'Connor (St. James's Hospital – SJH, Ireland)
- > Jelena Pajić (Serbian Institute of Occupational Health – SIOH, Serbia)
- > Liliana Stolarczyk (Danish Centre for Particle Therapy – DCPT, Denmark and Cyclotron Centre Bronowice - CCB IFJ PAN, Poland)

**Programme of the 14th EURADOS Winter School
'Fetal radiation risk: dose assessment in occupational,
medical and emergency situations'**

| Time (UTC+1) | Topic | Speaker |
|---|---|---|
| <i>Wednesday 3rd of February 2021: 14:30-18:00 UTC+1</i> | | |
| Chair/Moderator: Jelena Pajić, SIOH (Serbia); Augusto Giussani, BfS (Germany) | | |
| 14:30 | Welcome and introduction to the Winter School | Jelena Pajić on behalf of organisers and scientific committee SIOH (Serbia) |
| 14:30-14:55 | Historical context and epidemiological data | Richard Wakeford UMAN/ICRP (United Kingdom) |
| 14:55-15:20 | Biological effects and genetics | Kimberly Applegate UKY/ICRP (USA) |
| 15:20-15:45 | Assessment of doses to embryo and fetus after incorporation of radionuclides | Sigrid Leide-Svegborn SUS (Sweden) |
| 15:45-16:00 | Discussion after the session | |
| 16:00-16:30 | Break | |
| Chair/Moderator: Augusto Giussani, BfS (Germany); Eleftheria Carinou, EEAE (Greece) | | |
| 16:30 | Session Opening | |
| 16:30-16:55 | Assessment of doses to embryo and fetus - external dosimetry | Natalia Saltybaeva USZ (Switzerland) |
| 16:55-17:20 | Radiation exposure of pregnant patients and pregnant employees in imaging departments: An overview of regulations and recommendations | John Damilakis UoC (Greece) |
| 17:20-17:45 | Possible effects of space radiation exposure on the reproductive system and fetal development | Hiroshi Yasuda HU (Japan) |
| 17:45-18:00 | Discussion after the session | |

| Time (UTC+1) | Topic | Speaker |
|--|--|---|
| Thursday 4th of February 2021: 14:30-18:00 UTC+1 | | |
| Chair/Moderator: Una O'Connor, SJH (Ireland); Liliana Stolarczyk, DCPT (Denmark), CCB IFJ PAN (Poland) | | |
| 14:30 | Session Opening | |
| 14:30-14:50 | Radiologists perspective on protection of the fetus in a paediatric hospital | Aisling Snow CHI (Ireland) |
| 14:50-15:10 | Medical Physics Expert perspective on protection of the fetus in an adult diagnostic imaging hospital | Geraldine O'Reilly SJH (Ireland) |
| 15:10-15:30 | Cancer treatment during pregnancy | Frédéric Amant UZ Leuven/INCIP (Belgium) |
| 15:30-15:50 | Radiotherapy during pregnancy | Marijke De Saint-Hubert SCK CEN (Belgium) |
| 15:50-16:05 | Discussion after the session | |
| 16:05-16:35 | Break | |
| Chair/Moderator: Augusto Giussani, BfS (Germany); Eleftheria Carinou, EEAE (Greece) | | |
| 16:35 | Session Opening | |
| 16:35-18:00 | Round table discussion¹⁾ , including presentation of approaches in different countries | Holger Klammer , BfS (Germany) Geraldine O'Reilly , SJH (Ireland) Sotirios Economides , EEAE (Greece) Jelena Pajić , SIOH (Serbia) Dario Faj , UNIOS (Croatia) An Fremout , FANC (Belgium) |

¹⁾ We would like to have audience input on the round-table discussion. Please submit your questions or topics in advance to the Course Co-ordinator at office@eurados.org.

REGISTRATION

Registration is free of charge, but it is mandatory.

It should be done online at www.eurados-registration.org

- before 11 January 2021 for WG meetings and General Assembly,
- before 25 January 2021 for Winter School.

The registration platform will be available from 23 November 2020.

A certificate of participation to the Winter School may be requested free of charge in the registration form. The certificate will be sent by e-mail in the second week of February 2021.

CONNECTION INSTRUCTIONS

All meetings will be performed online with Microsoft Teams and BigMarker.

Specific instructions for the connection will be sent by email to each registered participant.

INDUSTRY EXHIBITION

Industry partners who would like to present their companies and products in an online presentation during this Annual Meeting should indicate their interest by e-mail to office@eurados.org. Time slots for slide shows of up to 5 min are foreseen at the beginning and during the breaks of the Winter School and General Assembly on 3 and 4 February 2021.

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