



European  
Crohn's and Colitis  
Organisation

## ECCO CALL for participants in the

### ECCO Guidelines on the Prevention and Management of Opportunistic Infections 2019-2021

#### Context:

It is time to update the ECCO Guidelines on the Prevention and Management of Opportunistic Infections

#### Aim of the project:

The last guideline on opportunistic infections in IBD patients was published 2014. The aims of the new guideline are:

- To update the current and new biological therapies and their impact on opportunistic infections;
- To summarize how to vaccinate patients with IBD;
- To update how to screen patients before immunosuppressive therapy;
- To summarize what to recommend to an IBD patients before, during and after travelling.

If you are:

- an ECCO Member (in good standing – 2019 membership);
- and are interested in joining one of the working parties for this project (please see below);
- have proven scientific writing skills, demonstrated skills in evidence-based medicine, and preferably have previous experience of conducting systematic reviews
- willing to commit fully to the process of generating the Guideline, to the kick-off teleconference in October and to the participation in the F2F Consensus Meeting (October 10, 2020 at UEGW'20, tbc);

ECCO traditionally reserves **1 seat in each working group for a Y-ECCO participant** who will also be in charge of further development of e-Learning material. You are very welcome to apply for this project.

Please send an e-mail to [ecco@ecco-ibd.eu](mailto:ecco@ecco-ibd.eu) detailing (\*):

- your name and affiliations;
- a short (max. 10 lines) profile of yourself as an expert in the field.

**Deadline for submission is September 16, 2019**

*\*Data processing consent and retention: By sending an application by email to [ecco@ecco-ibd.eu](mailto:ecco@ecco-ibd.eu), you agree to the data processing for the above described project: ECCO Office stores applicants' personal data of this application for the project timeframe. You have the right to object at any time at [ecco@ecco-ibd.eu](mailto:ecco@ecco-ibd.eu). ECCO Office will delete data securely after the end of this project.*

#### Workgroups (WG):

- **WG1:** Viral infections (HCV; HBV; HIV; HSV; VZV; EBV; CMV; HPV; Influenza)

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- **WG2:** Parasitic and fungal infection, mycobacterium tuberculosis, bacterial infections
- **WG3:** Special situations (traveling), Paediatrics
- **WG4:** Vaccination, Safety Screening; OI: definition and risk factors

After final revision the statements are no longer amenable to change and the text detailing the supportive evidence is finalised for publication in the Journal of Crohn's and Colitis (JCC).

To facilitate the Consensus process, the ECCO participants will be selected for the Workgroups of this Consensus Panel on the basis of applications to this call: committed candidates with expertise are highly encouraged to apply.

#### DATE

<b>August - September, 2019</b> <b>September 2019</b>	Applications From All Participants To Be Received; Selection of participants and WG Leaders. Decision to be sent out
<b>October, 2019</b>	<b>Kick-Off Teleconference with all participants</b>
<b>November, 2019</b>	Search String to Be Completed By Librarian
<b>December 2019/February 2020</b> <b>March, 2020</b>	Abstract Selection / Evaluation (with OE tool on online platform) Draft WG manuscripts and statements
<b>Mid-April, 2020</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Round Of Online Voting including National Representatives and additional reviewers
<b>May 2020</b>	Review of statements after 1 <sup>st</sup> round of voting
<b>June 2020</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round Of Online Voting including National Representatives and additional reviewers
<b>August – September 2020</b> <b>October 2020</b> <b>November 2020</b>	Revision of statements and drafting of manuscript <b>Consensus Meeting at UEGW'20</b> Manuscript finalisation
<b>December 2020</b> <b>January 2021</b>	Cross check by medical writer Submission To JCC

***ECCO is looking forward to your application!***