



May 2016: Update from the e-Learning Ambassador

I am delighted to have been asked by the ECCO President to become e-Learning Ambassador and to take forward the excellent work of the task force that created the e-CCO Learning Platform: the most comprehensive and interactive IBD e-learning portfolio available anywhere in the world....



The mission of e-CCO is to improve the care of patients with IBD in all its aspects by providing a comprehensive package of education for all healthcare professionals interested in IBD. e-CCO consists of a series of courses, podcasts, tutorials and opinion pieces. Many are interactive, with post-course tests so that you can monitor your progress. Some sections are based around the European IBD curriculum and are designed for trainees ([Blue Book](#), [Boot Camp](#), [IBD e-courses](#), [e-guide](#)), whereas other sections are designed for those with more experience of managing IBD ([e-library](#), [e-courses](#), [Talking Heads](#)). Although some of the content is reserved for ECCO Members, there is a wealth of education that is available to all, so please do [click the link](#) and see how much the e-CCO site has to offer.

You will not be alone!

Over the last couple of months, 2,400 people have logged on and benefited from the e-CCO learning experience. They will have benefitted from the ability to watch all the plenary presentations from the ECCO Congress in Amsterdam as well as selected presentations from the wealth of educational courses that took place during that week. In addition, all abstracts from the most recent and previous congresses are available to search.

The nursing perspective: Ulcerative Colitis
 Learn about the nursing perspective of Ulcerative Colitis with **Karen Kamp, Nienke Zpenburg and Lydia White**.
 Upon successful completion of the training, you will be directed to a final test.

In the last few weeks, several new e-Courses have been launched to complement our broad portfolio. The new courses cover the Management of Stricturing Crohn's Disease and include a training course in assessing the Endoscopic Activity of Colitis using the UCEIS. Importantly we have launched two courses

The nursing perspective: Anaemia
 Janette Gaarenstroom and Palle Bager teach you about anaemia from the nursing perspective.
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designed for IBD nurses: "Managing Ulcerative Colitis" and "Anaemia in IBD".

ECCO TALKING HEADS

Don't miss the latest installments of Talking Heads

We have also added several new Talking Heads – these short focussed videos deal with a specific controversy in IBD and allow experts to debate the important issues. So, if you want to hear what our current and previous Presidents felt were the most important new data presented in Amsterdam – [click here!](#) Other new topics include "When can faecal calprotectin replace colonoscopy" and "How to manage IBD medication in pregnancy".

ECCO is linking the development of e-learning material to the Consensus Guidelines for the selection of e-Course topics, which ensures a regulated and automatic updating process. Each guideline project includes one Y-ECCO participant per working group, who:

- is also author of the case
- is responsible for designing the e-Course and the evaluation
- together with a senior, identifies learning outcomes and outlines the case
- is responsible for the final exam questions

This process fosters the close cooperation of junior and senior experts and provides Y-ECCO with mentorship opportunities. The e-CCO Website does not stand still and more courses, talking heads and skills training content will be added over the next few months. I am very grateful to my colleagues on the Taskforce, the many ECCO Members who have created the content and the ECCO Office for their hard work that has resulted in this excellent resource – I do hope you enjoy it!

ECCO e-Learning Ambassador,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Lindsay', with a stylized flourish above the name.

James Lindsay