SWG FOCUS AND MISSION

The EHA SWG on Thrombocytopenias was established at the EHA Congress in Lyon 2003. The group subsequently expanded its field of interest with the inclusion of platelet function disorders.

The purposes of the group are:
• To promote education and instruction in platelet disorders.
• To develop guidelines for diagnosis and/or treatment of thrombocytopenias and platelet function disorders.
• To promote clinical and laboratory studies on thrombocytopenias and platelet function disorders. The studies are conducted under the auspices of the EHA-SWG, but are open to collaboration with all interested researchers.

The SWG includes the following subcommittees (and related coordinators):
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• Patrizia Noris (Italy), subcommittee for Inherited thrombocytopenias
• Paolo Gresele (Italy), subcommittee for Inherited and acquired platelet function disorders
• Andreas Greinacher (Germany), subcommittee for Drug-induced thrombocytopenias
• Hana Raslova (France), subcommittee for Biology of megakaryocytes and thrombopoiesis
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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OF THE BOARD

Board members may participate in clinical trials sponsored by pharmaceutical. They may have also spoken at meetings and given consultative advice for companies during the development of novel therapies. The working party aims to maintain professional working relationships with the pharmaceutical companies, but also wants to act without any conflict in clinical trials, and in establishing diagnostic and therapeutic guidelines.

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**ACTIVITIES**

**EHA-SWG Scientific Conference**

Given the success of the EHA-SWG Scientific Meetings on *Focus on thrombocytopenia and disorders of platelet function* held in Lisbon 27 to 29 September 2013, and *Hemostasis imbalance: Critical issues and Therapeutic approaches* held in Barcelona 18 to 20 September 2015, this SWG, in collaboration with the SWG on Bleeding and thrombosis, organized on behalf of the EHA a Scientific Conference on *Bleeding Disorders: Increase your Knowledge and Improve Patient Care!* that was held in Barcelona 14 to 20 September 2016. Of note, this event was endorsed by the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis.

One hundred thirty participants (excl faculty) from 35 countries and 6 continents attended the meeting, mostly European, but also from Australia, Asia and North America. The evaluation by participant showed that the event was very successful: 88% of the attendees would recommend the conference to their colleagues, and the same percentage indicated that their objectives were achieved. The conference was assessed by delegates with an average score of 8,5 (out of 10).

**SWG at the annual congress of EHA**

- The annual meeting at the EHA congress has been held at the 21th Congress in Copenhagen. The meeting attracted many participants, so that the conference room was full and many people were unable to attend.

- The proposal for the 2017 meeting to be held at the 22th Congress in Madrid has been approved by the EHA.

**Studies promoted by the SWG**

- SPATA Study: Surgery in Platelet disorders And Therapeutic Approach (coordinator Paolo Gresele). Finished, manuscript submitted.
Scientific publications mentioning the contribution of the SWG


Guidelines and EHA Research Roadmap

• This SWG is involved in the development of the EHA guidelines for Mild bleeding disorders (chair: F. Rodeghiero).