

# EP & ECGen Insight

## EHRA YOUNG EP AND ECGEN NETWORKING PROGRAMME

### Purpose

To provide a networking opportunity and contribute to developing clinical experience in the field of Arrhythmias and Cardiac Pacing (CP) or cardiogenetics in a chosen centre for Cardiac Electrophysiology (EP) and Devices or with the expertise in cardiogenetics. The goal of the programme is also to give the participants some insight into the workflow of different EP and cardiogenetics centres, allowing them to watch state-of-the-art techniques, strategies, clinical and procedural standards thanks to a **one to two weeks hands-off** training with an expert electrophysiologist or specialist in cardiogenetics. Lastly, this programme can act as an introduction and first experience for Young EPs planning on a longer future visit to the chosen centre.

### Scope

*EP & ECGen Insight* has been designed for physicians with some experience in the field of cardiology, cardiogenetics and interventional electrophysiology. The visiting Young physician will gain theoretical knowledge in different clinical and interventional settings, including EP/CP techniques and procedures or the specifics of cardiogenetics such as, all hands-off:

- conventional electrophysiology as well as advanced ablation strategies for the treatment of complex atrial and ventricular arrhythmias (including 3D mapping methods and image integration);
- basic permanent pacing as well as complex CRT procedures;
- lead extraction, leadless pacemakers and S-ICD implantations<sup>1</sup>;
- pre-procedural imaging;
- inherited cardiac conditions service;

as well as:

- cardiovascular research and scientific networking;
- hospital logistics;
- different academic models.

### Eligibility

Applicants eligible for the programme need to:

- be EHRA and Young EP member or ECGen member (mandatory)
- speak English or the official national language of the host institution

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<sup>1</sup> In selected EP centres.

## Young EP – How to apply?

1. The applicant may choose up to 3 EP/cardiogenetics centres of his/her preference.  
*Please check the list of available centres on the website and list by order of priority.*
2. The applicant must complete the application form and send it to [ehra@escardio.org](mailto:ehra@escardio.org). Within 30 days the applicant will receive an approval together with the contact details of the person responsible for the program in each selected centre.
3. After receiving the approval, the applicant can directly email the centre's contact person and start arranging his/her visit.
4. The applicant may be asked by the hosting centre to complete additional documents according to the local policy. EHRA is not responsible for any additional information requested by the centre.

**The applicants may apply anytime during the year (subject to the centres' availability).**

**Please note a 'first come, first served' policy applies.**

## Tenure

One to two-weeks **hands-off** training based on a non-funded agreement between the visiting Young EP and the hosting centre only, with no contractual involvement of EHRA. EHRA solely acts as a facilitator during the application process.

**Any complaints from Young EP should be directly addressed to the centre.**

## Conditions and regulations

All candidates are requested to carefully read and make sure they understand the Conditions and Regulations attached to the EHRA Young EP&ECGen Insight Programme and detailed below.

### Part 1: Application rules

1. The application must be done via the online 'EHRA Young EP &ECGen Insight' Application form. Applications must conform to the pre-defined layout and provide the necessary information within the space provided in the form.
2. Submission of an application implies acceptance of all the Conditions and Regulations. Any application which is not in accordance with these rules will not be considered.
3. Applications will be submitted for consideration exactly as received by the EHRA office. Applicants are therefore urged not to submit incomplete forms and to take the responsibility that they may be rejected if the information is inadequate or missing.

4. The official language of the EHRA programme is English and all official documents must be submitted in English.

## **Part 2: Legal and Financial Provisions**

1. The EHRA Young *EP & ECGen Insight* programme is made under the legal and scientific responsibility of the hosting institution.
2. The EHRA Young *EP & ECGen Insight* programme does not provide financial support:
  - EHRA will not cover any of the visiting Young physician's costs of travel, accommodation and living expenses related to the EHRA Young *EP & ECGen Insight* programme, nor will the hosting centre
  - EHRA will not provide any other financial, material or any other type of compensation to the visiting Young physician or the hosting centre
3. The visiting Young physician is responsible for organising his/her own visit:
  - He/she is responsible for organising his/her flight and accommodation
  - It is his/her responsibility to seek the necessary information on visa (or any other administrative) requirements to enter the destination country
  - He/she is responsible for making any other arrangement required to visit the centre

## **Part 3: Insurance**

1. The applicant is responsible for the set-up of his/her own personal insurance
2. The hosting institution is responsible for the set-up of the visiting Young physician's legal framework in accordance with local regulations
3. The hosting institution is responsible for ensuring that the candidate complies with the immigration requirements

## **Part 4: Young candidate's Duties**

1. The visiting Young physician has an observer status and is required to comply with the principle of medical confidentiality for all patients and clinical situations encountered during the training period
2. Participants are requested to complete an online survey (sent to them by EHRA with the approval of their request) evaluating their visit

## **Part 5: EP or Cardiogenetics Centre's rights and duties**

1. The application form has been designed to make it clear that the head of the proposed department is willing to receive the candidate and provide the necessary facilities

2. Each centre is responsible for setting its own limits in terms of capacity to welcome X Young physicians per year or X Young physicians over a certain period of time. EHRA has no responsibility in a centre's capacity or not to welcome a certain number of Young EPs.
3. In the case where a centre is no longer willing to be part of the programme EHRA should be informed by email ([ehra@escardio.org](mailto:ehra@escardio.org))

**Part 6: Privacy and Data Security Policy:**

- The ESC complies with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2016/679 and the data protection laws in France. The ESC therefore takes all reasonable care and action to prevent any unauthorised access to the centres' and candidates' personal data.  
Please refer to [www.escardio.org/privacy](http://www.escardio.org/privacy).
- You can contact the data protection officer at [dpo@escardio.org](mailto:dpo@escardio.org)

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