



EpiCARE

February 2024 NEWSLETTER

The goal of our newsletter is to keep you informed about **actions related to the European Reference Network on rare and complex epilepsies, EpiCARE.**

You will find information about our next events, educational and research activities and calls, but also news from the coordination team, our different members and our ePAG community.

NEXT WEBINAR

Our webinars on rare and complex epilepsies take place once a month, and the replays are always available on our website.

Thursday March 21st - 17h CET

Managing Epilepsies in Crisis Situations: The Ukraine Experience

Presented by: Andriy Dubenko & Volodymyr Kharytonov

[Register here](#)



Free to access

Registration necessary

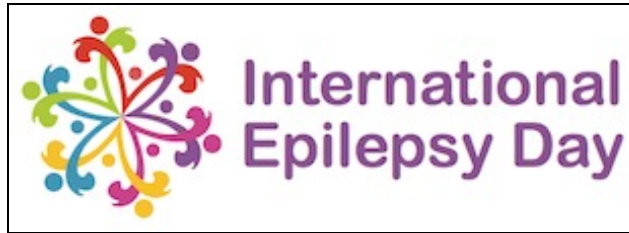
**Educational
webinars**

You can check the programme of the upcoming webinars and register to the webinar mailing on the EpiCARE webinars webpage:

[Webinars webpage](#)

LATEST NEWS

International Epilepsy Awareness Day - February 12th



On February 12th, we saw members of ERN EpiCARE raising awareness of epilepsy and the challenges faced by those living with or caring for someone with the condition by taking part in many different activities for International Epilepsy Awareness day.



Hospital Sant Joan De Deu

Our coordinating centre in Barcelona, had musical events along with crafts and educational resources being available.



Rare Disease Day - February 29th 2024



To mark Rare Disease Day, [The European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases](https://funded-projects.ejprarediseases.org/) (EJP RD) the EJP RD Funded Project Dashboard!

Dive into a comprehensive view of all funded projects (Joint Transnational Calls and Networking Support Scheme calls)

Explore the Dashboard: <https://funded-projects.ejprarediseases.org/>

Uncover essential project details, budgets, abstracts, and other fascinating figures.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

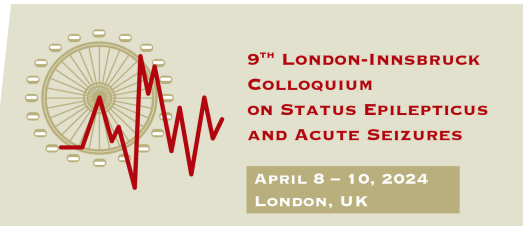
EpiCARE neuroimaging workshops on replay

In 2022 – 2023, the EpiCARE Neuroimaging work group, led by Prof. Marusic from Motol University Hospital (Prague, Czech Republic) and by Dr. Sophie Adler, from UCL (London, UK), organised 3 neuroimaging workshops on the MELD project (Multi-centre Epilepsy Lesion Detection), PET and MAP.

We are glad to share the replays of these workshops on our website.

EVENTS

9th London-Innsbruck Colloquium on Status Epilepticus and Acute Seizures



This meeting has been held every two years since 2007 and has become a landmark meeting in the international epilepsy calendar.

The faculty includes the leading figures in the field of *Status Epilepticus and Acute Seizures* from around the world.

The meeting will be held in a hybrid format for the first time allowing people to join online, with all course material being made available to registrants for one month after the colloquium completion.

[More information and registration](#)

EpiCARE SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

- Dreier JW, Christensen J, Igland J, Gissler M, Leinonen MK, Vegrim HM, Sun Y, Tomson T, Zoega H, Bjørk MH, Bromley RL. **Prenatal Exposure to Antiseizure Medications and Risk of Epilepsy in Children of Mothers With Epilepsy.** JAMA Netw Open. 2024 Feb 5;7(2):e2356425. doi: 10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2023.56425. PMCID: PMC10897746. [Link](#)
- Patel S, Maney K, Morris L, Papadopoulou MT, Prange L, Boggs A, Hunanyan A, Megvinov A, Vavassori R, Panagiotakaki E, Mikati MA. **Real life retrospective study of cannabidiol therapy in alternating hemiplegia of childhood.** Eur J Paediatr Neurol. 2024 Feb 12;49:55-59. doi: 10.1016/j.ejpn.2024.02.004. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 38367370. [Link](#)
- Koepp M, Trinka E, Löscher W, Klein P. **Prevention of epileptogenesis - are we there yet?** Curr Opin Neurol. 2024 Feb 13. doi: 10.1097/WCO.0000000000001256. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 38345421. [Link](#)



You can consult recent publications on rare and complex epilepsies, epilepsy surgery and other topics on our [scientific publications webpage](#).

EpiCARE members: please remember to mention EpiCARE in your affiliations or in the acknowledgements / references when appropriate.

A word from our ePAGs



For International Epilepsy Awareness Day and Rare Diseases Day our ePAGs released a video which can be viewed [here](#).

Save the date for the European Dravet Syndrome Conference 2024

Fundación Síndrome de Dravet is organising a Dravet syndrome conference in 2024. Save 14th and 15th of March 2024 in your calendars and join the conference in Madrid.

[For preliminary program and registration, click here.](#)

ANYTHING TO SHARE?

Any news you would like to share, events planned, publications in the works?

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