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There are currently **87 Member Societies** of IUIS, many of which belong to one of **4 Regional Federations** encompassing Europe, Latin America, Africa and Asia-Oceania or are direct members such as US and Canada. That represents **more than 60,000 immunologists** all over the world.

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## EFIS - Ukraine Mobility Initiative



In confirming its support for the Ukraine immunology and alle launched a special mobility scheme to assist Ukrainian studen active in immunology and related fields who currently are una read more >>

March 18th, 2022

Dear members of EFIS Board,

on behalf of the Lithuanian Society for Immunology, Latvian Society for Immunology and Estonian Society for Immunology, we request EFIS Board to fully suspend the membership of the Russian Society for Immunology in EFIS until the end of the war in Ukraine and establishment of stable relations between these countries.

It is vital to fight the devastation happening in Ukraine in all levels and means possible. These days Ukrainian scientists, instead of conducting their research and teaching students, have to find shelters from the bombing and attacks of Russian army in their own country. Military aggression of Russian troops targeted against Ukraine represents an unprecedented violation of basic human rights, an attack to life, on democracy, on freedom of thought. Residents of Kharkiv, Mariupol and many other cities are suffering terrible destruction and see all the horrors of war with their own eyes. Barbaric military invasion has opened a wound in the very center of Europe and threatens the peace of the entire World.

## EFIS Statement on Ukraine



*These are truly challenging times: just as the world was beginning to taste the freedoms from restrictions imposed by a pandemic, another crisis has captured the attention and sentiments of the international community.*  
read more >>

President of Lithuanian Society for Immunology Audronė Eidukaitė

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President of Estonian Society for Immunology Maire Link

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# Žurnalai



European Federation of Immunological Societies

IMMUNOLOGY  
LETTERS

Impact factor: 3.685

## European Journal of Immunology (EJI)



Impact factor 5.532



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### Frontiers in Immunology

8.786  
Impact Factor

9.8  
CiteScore

466,699  
Citations



## Study Groups

EFIS is pleased to announce the launch of its first **EFIS-IL Study Groups**. Potentially interested participants are invited to contact the Study Group spokespersons directly.

- [European B Cell Network](#)
- [Non-coding RNA and epigenetic regulation in immune cells](#)
- [T CELL CONNECT EUROPE \(TCC EUROPE\)](#)
- [Tumor Immune Escape and Resistance \(TIMER\)](#)

# 1st EFIS Strategic Retreat, Berlin 2018

A major initiative emerging from the first **EFIS Strategic Retreat** was the consensus to establish EFIS Task Forces on three pertinent issues facing European immunologists: education, vaccination and diversity. These task forces were established to address specific needs perceived by Societies that can be better dealt with at a European level.



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- [The Diversity Task Force](#)
- [The Education Task Force](#)
- [The Vaccine Task Force](#)
- [The Young Immunologists Task Force](#)

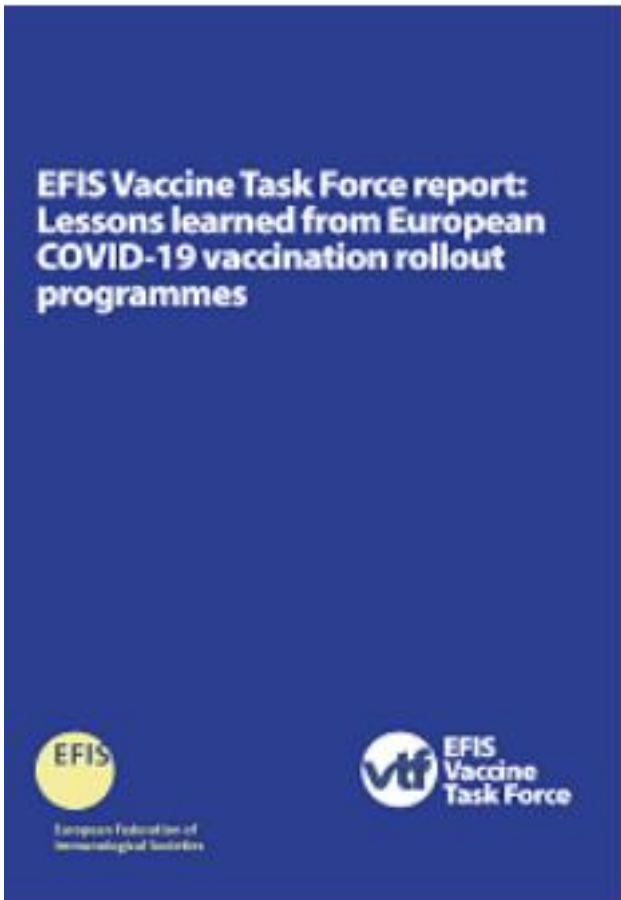
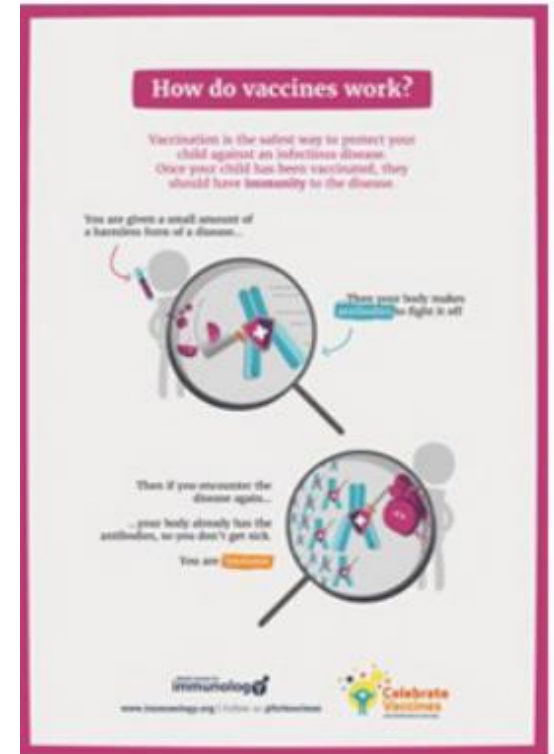
# 2nd EFIS Strategic Retreat, Stresa 2022.11.16-18



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- EFIS support: fellowships and awards
- Study groups
- Task forces
- Education and outreach activities, social networks
- **Small societies**
- ?? Immunomodulation Task Force



Case studies of vaccination strategies across Europe in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The report examines different steps taken to encourage vaccination uptake in a range of countries and important lessons ...

# COVID-19 Vaccines

## Vakcinos nuo COVID-19

[https://www.efis.org/cms/upload/downloads/EFIS-Vacc-TF/EFIS\\_Briefing\\_Note\\_2021\\_FINAL.pdf](https://www.efis.org/cms/upload/downloads/EFIS-Vacc-TF/EFIS_Briefing_Note_2021_FINAL.pdf)

*Iš anglų kalbos vertė:*

*Ingrida Jacevičienė, Valentina Liakina,  
Asta Lučiūnaitė, Agata Mlynska, Dovilė  
Stravinskienė, Aurelija Žvirblienė*



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6. Avrupa İmmünoloji Kongresi



## EFIS Vaccine Task Force Panel

**Date and time:** Friday September 3, 13.15 – 14.15 (CET)

**Title:** The EFIS Vaccine Task Force: Challenges and opportunities for vaccine uptake across Europe

### Chair:

Doug Brown (British Society for Immunology)

### Co-chair:

Ursula Wiedermann-Schmidt (Austrian Society of Allergology and Immunology)

### Panelists:

Aurelija Zvirbliene (Lithuanian Society of Immunology)

Felix Wensveen (Croatian Immunological Society)

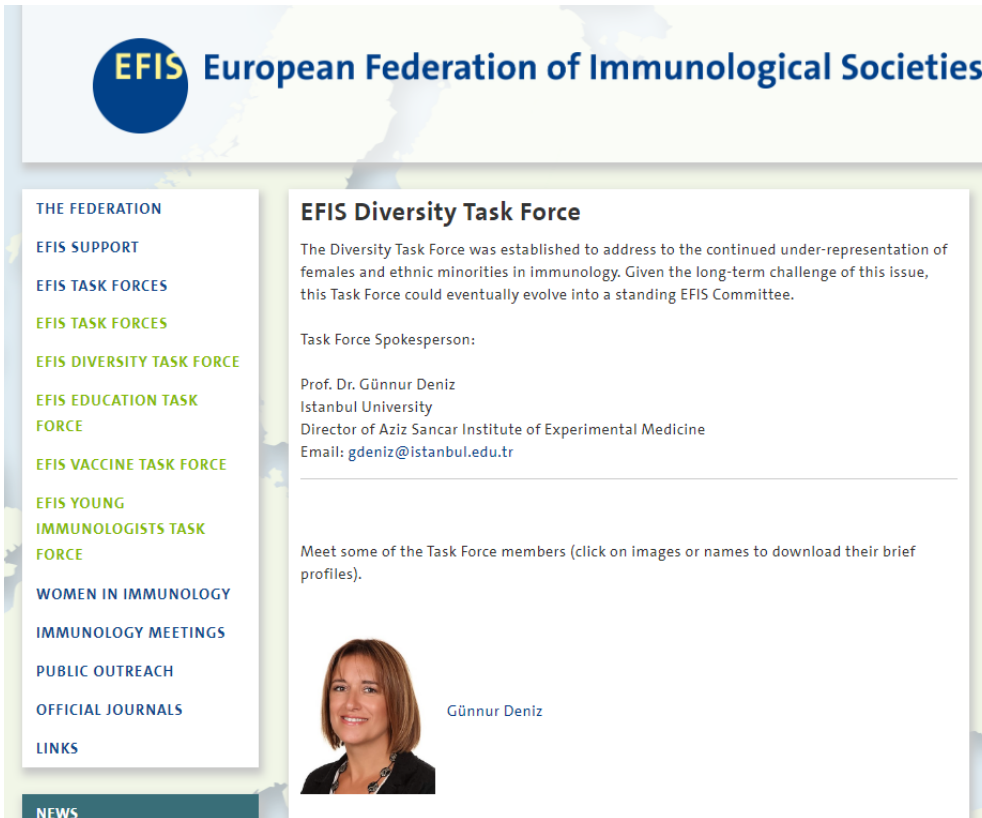
Peter Openshaw (Imperial College, London)

Anne Spurkland (Scandinavian Society for Immunology)

<https://eci2021.org/efis-vaccine-task-force-panel/>

# EFIS diversity Task Force

Įvairovės darbo grupė įkurta 2019 m. siekiant spręsti **moterų ir etninių mažumų nepakankamo atstovavimo problemą** imunologijos srities mokslininkų bendruomenėje.



The screenshot shows the EFIS website. At the top left is the EFIS logo (European Federation of Immunological Societies). A navigation menu on the left lists various sections: THE FEDERATION, EFIS SUPPORT, EFIS TASK FORCES, EFIS TASK FORCES, EFIS DIVERSITY TASK FORCE (highlighted), EFIS EDUCATION TASK FORCE, EFIS VACCINE TASK FORCE, EFIS YOUNG IMMUNOLOGISTS TASK FORCE, WOMEN IN IMMUNOLOGY, IMMUNOLOGY MEETINGS, PUBLIC OUTREACH, OFFICIAL JOURNALS, and LINKS. The main content area is titled "EFIS Diversity Task Force" and contains the following text: "The Diversity Task Force was established to address the continued under-representation of females and ethnic minorities in immunology. Given the long-term challenge of this issue, this Task Force could eventually evolve into a standing EFIS Committee." Below this is the "Task Force Spokesperson:" section, listing Prof. Dr. Günnur Deniz, Istanbul University, Director of Aziz Sancar Institute of Experimental Medicine, with email gdeniz@istanbul.edu.tr. At the bottom, there is a photo of Günnur Deniz and the text "Meet some of the Task Force members (click on images or names to download their brief profiles)." and "Günnur Deniz".

*LID atstovė:*

*dr. D. Stravinskienė (VU GMC)*

Siekiai:

- ✓ **Išgryninti problemas ir teikti rekomendacijas** (lyčių nelygė karjeros atžvilgiu, diskriminacija dėl amžiaus, skirtumai Europos šalyse)
- ✓ **Didinti sąmoningumą** (atkreipti dėmesį į mažumos problemas)
- ✓ **Suteikti pagalbą ir paramą** (tarptautinis bendradarbiavimas, finansinis paskatinimas dalyvauti konferencijose, prizai, stipendijos)


# EFIS diversity Task Force



- Pirmasis susitikimas 2020 m. sausio mėn. Belgrade, Serbijoje.
- Dalyvavo EFIS draugijų atstovai iš Vokietijos, Ispanijos, Turkijos, Kroatijos, Italijos, Serbijos, Lietuvos ir Austrijos.
- Aptartos lyčių disbalanso moksle problemos ir pasiūlytos konkrečios priemonės, kurių reikėtų imtis.



## The impact of COVID-19 lock-downs for European (female) immunologists – our views as members of the EFIS gender and diversity task force

Charlotte Esser , A. Mieke Boots, Anne Caignard, Ceren Ciraci, Danka Grčević, Sylvia Knapp, Maria Montoya, Francesca Di Rosa, Tamara Saksida, Dovile Stravinskiene, Günnur Deniz

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- 2020 m. *European Journal of Immunology* publikuotas straipsnis apie COVID-19 pandemijos ir karantino įtaką įvairiose Europos šalyse iš EFIS įvairovės darbo grupės perspektyvos;
- Aptartos kilusios problemos imunologijos srityje dirbantiems mokslininkams, daugiau dėmesio skirta mokslininkėms moterims;
- Pasidalinta asmenine patirtimi.



# EFIS Young Immunologist Task Force (yEFIS))



*Sukurta 2020 m.*

*LID atstovė:*

*dr. D. Stravinskienė  
(VU GMC)*

*[https://www.yefis.org/  
home.html](https://www.yefis.org/home.html)*

**Tikslas** – suburti visus ankstyvosios karjeros mokslininkus Europoje, dirbančius imunologijos srityje.

## **Siekiai:**

- ✓ Atstovauti ankstyvosios karjeros imunologų interesams Europos lygiu;
- ✓ Vadovauti yEFIS tinklui ir organizuoti yEFIS darbo grupes;
- ✓ Sukurti nacionalines JI grupes visose su EFIS susijusiose draugijose;
- ✓ Išplėsti jaunimo dalyvavimą siekiant EFIS tikslų;
- ✓ Suteikti matomumą JI per tarptautinius susitikimus ir mokyklas, ir rengiant reguliarias specialias sesijas;
- ✓ Dalintis informacija, pomėgiais ir idėjomis tarp Europos JI;
- ✓ Suburti JI ir patyrusius mokslininkus, kad išaugtų naujos kartos imunologai Europoje.

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## One year of Young EFIS: achievements and future directions

Rami Bechara, Carmela Cela, Anne Hahn, Gizem Kilic, Federica Laudisi, Ellen McAllister, Noushin Mossadegh-Keller

First published: 04 August 2021 | <https://doi.org/10.1002/eji.202170085>

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## Young EFIS - joining forces to support Early Career Researchers in Immunology

Santiago Costas-Ramon, Jesús Gil-Pulido, Anne Maria Hahn, Ellen McAllister

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# yEFIS veikla



In collaboration with the German Society of Immunology

## 1<sup>st</sup> Symposium


### *Shaping the Future of Immunology in Europe*

**Date & Venue**  
10-11 November 2022 at MDC Berlin-Buch • Germany

**2022**  
**International day of**  
**immunology**

APRIL 29

**2022 THEME: VACCINES**



**yEFIS** IS ANSWERING KIDS' QUESTIONS ABOUT IMMUNOLOGY AND VACCINES!



**6. Avrupa İmmünoloji Kongresi**

## VIRTUAL ECI 2021

*Opening Doors to the World of Immunology*

**Pre-Congress Meetings August 31, 2021**



*ACTERIA Prizes awarded by EFIS - Singling out Europe's young talents in Immunology & Allergology*

The call for applications for the 2023 ACTERIA Early Career Research Prizes in immunology and allergology is now open!

**Deadline for the submission of applications: December 31st, 2022.**

- ✓ **30 000 eurų piniginis apdovanojimas;**
- ✓ **Galimybė finansuoti mokslinių tyrimų projektą (3 metų trukmės: 50 000-200 000 (tarptautiniai) eurų per metus);**
- ✓ Du prizai (vienas imunologijos ir vienas alergologijos srityje);
- ✓ Prizais skiriami už pasiekimus ir mokslinius tyrimus, atliktus Europos universitete/tyrimų organizacijoje per pastaruosius 10 metų po daktaro laipsnio gavimo (Kandidatai daktaro laipsnį turi būti įgiję po 2013 m. sausio 1 d.
- ✓ Paraiška pildoma: <https://www.acteriaprizes.net/apply/acteria-early-career-research-prizes-awarded-by-efis-/index.html>
- ✓ Galutines kandidatūras priims EFIS nacionalinės draugijos, kurios turės galimybę pateikti po vieną kandidatą į kiekvieną prizą.



6. Avrupa Immünoloji Kongresi



## **Agata Mlynska (NVI)**

Moderavo sesiją:

Bright Sparks Workshop: Vaccines and Immunotherapies

## **Žodinis pranešimas:**

Mlynska et al. Modeling of dendritic cell vaccines for ovarian cancer immunotherapy using cell lines of different molecular profiles.

## **Stendiniai pranešimai:**

Vita Pašukonienė ir kolegos (NVI)

Vytautas Rudokas, Aistė Sližienė (VU GMC)

Lolita Zaliauskiene (Thermo Fisher)

6<sup>th</sup>  
**Antibody  
Validation Workshop**

12<sup>th</sup>  
**EuroMABNet  
Meeting**  
Hamburg

New dates  
22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> of  
September  
2022



## Žodiniai ir stendiniai pranešimai:

Aurelija Žvirblienė  
Karolina Juškaitė  
Vytautas Rudokas

EFIS parama studentams ir  
doktorantams

**EFIS Scholarship**: The Best 6 abstracts from students and young scientists coming outside Germany will receive 800 € as travel grant, courtesy of EFIS.



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# Būsimi tarptautiniai renginiai



IMMUNOLOGY  
TALKS TO  
PUBLIC HEALTH

International day of immunology  
APRIL 29, 2023

EFIS #ThankYouImmunology  
dayofimmunology.org

IUIS

A banner with a blue background. On the left, a white megaphone icon. Text in green and blue boxes: 'IMMUNOLOGY TALKS TO PUBLIC HEALTH'. An orange oval on the right contains 'International day of immunology' and 'APRIL 29, 2023'. At the bottom, logos for IUIS, EFIS, and the website #ThankYouImmunology/dayofimmunology.org.

ABC Immunology Summer School:  
Autoimmunity from Basic to  
Clinical; Tallinn, June 2023



IUIS 2023  
CAPE TOWN

A logo featuring a circular graphic of a sunset over mountains on the left, followed by the text 'IUIS 2023 CAPE TOWN' in a large, sans-serif font.

18th International Congress of Immunology  
27 Nov-2 Dec 2023 | Cape Town, South Africa



ECI 2024  
DUBLIN 1-4 SEPTEMBER  
7<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF IMMUNOLOGY  
SAVE THE DATE

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DUBLIN 1-4 SEPTEMBER 2024  
CONQUERING CHALLENGES WITH IMMUNOLOGY  
www.eci2024.org

Irish Society for Immunology

EFIS  
European Federation of Immunological Societies

A promotional banner for the 7th European Congress of Immunology (ECI 2024) in Dublin. It features a stylized graphic of a bridge and a building. Text includes 'ECI 2024 DUBLIN 1-4 SEPTEMBER', '7th EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF IMMUNOLOGY', 'SAVE THE DATE', and the congress theme 'CONQUERING CHALLENGES WITH IMMUNOLOGY'. Logos for the Irish Society for Immunology and EFIS are also present.



## Galim pakviesti į Lietuvą ??



The sixth EFIS on Tour Symposium saw the EFIS Board travelling to visit a national society with which it has never met: the Estonian Society for Immunology and Allergology (EIAS). Scheduled for June 1st, 2018 c/o the Technical University of Tallinn, the nearly full day symposium, featured talks by prominent EIAS representatives, including EIAS President Kai Kisand, together with Pärt Peterson, Raivo Uibo and others (most of whom made the effort to travel from the principal immunology research community in Tartu, 2 ½ hours away), as well as by Francesco Annunziato, Chair of the EJI Executive Committee. For the full program, click [here](#).



In June of 2022, on occasion of the Annual Meeting of the Scandinavian Society for Immunology, EFIS traveled to Reykjavik, Iceland for the 14th EFIS on Tour symposium. Download the program [here](#).

**Ačiū už dėmesį**