

ESHRE ANNUAL REPORT 2014

European Society of Human Reproduction
and Embryology

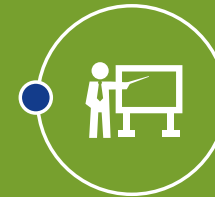


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Juha Tapanainen
ESHRE Chairman 2013-2015

Dear Members,

The year 2014 was the 30th anniversary of ESHRE and I could hardly have imagined a more successful year to mark this occasion.

When Bob Edwards founded ESHRE in 1984, his idea was to build a European society with its own Annual Meeting, journals and training events.

And now, 30 years later, I am proud to see that these activities are not only well established, but also reflect the leadership of our Society in reproductive science and medicine.

Our Annual Meetings are the world's largest congresses in the field, our Campus events provide training for about 2000 specialists every year and our journals were ranked number 1 and 2 in the fields of reproductive biology and obstetrics and gynaecology in 2014.

The treatment of infertility is a recent field of medicine which evolves quickly and needs more and more recognised and trained specialists. This trend encouraged the Society to develop certification programmes which would allow recognition of the skills and knowledge of clinicians. After our certification programme for embryologists, which attracts more candidates every year, and the introduction of certification for reproductive endoscopic surgeons (ECRES), the launch of a certification programme for nurses and midwives working in ART in 2014 demonstrates the dynamism of the Society and demand for highly qualified staff in our field.

Supporting excellence in reproductive science and medicine has indeed become one of ESHRE's objectives when developing any new project. I thus wish to highlight the research grant programme, another project launched in 2014, which I am extremely proud of. The ESHRE grant scheme will operate every two years in support of research projects in the field of human reproduction and embryology. A research project on fertility preservation from the UK and Italy was awarded the first grant of the scheme in 2014.

The range of activities organised by ESHRE is so large that I can hardly mention them all in this introduction. This annual report will give you a good overview of what ESHRE did in 2014.

Let me finish by thanking all the people involved in the Society, who are at the heart of ESHRE's success. By giving their time and effort, they helped make ESHRE flourish and fulfil its motto of "People moving science, science moving people".

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ESHRE AT A GLANCE

I ABOUT ESHRE

The European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology (ESHRE) is an international non-profit organisation whose main objective is to promote the study of reproductive science and medicine and the diagnosis and treatment of infertility.

ESHRE was founded in 1984 by Robert Edwards and Jean Cohen who perceived the need for a European organisation dedicated to human reproduction, with its own journal, Annual Meeting and education scheme.

ESHRE is based on the idea that reproductive medicine is dependent on both scientific and clinical knowledge.

ESHRE develops a wide range of activities which reflect the ambitions of the Society in education, research and clinical medicine. With steady growth since 1984, the Society now comprises more than 6500 members and has become the leading society in reproductive science and medicine.

THE LEADING SOCIETY IN REPRODUCTIVE SCIENCE AND MEDICINE

I ESHRE MEMBERS

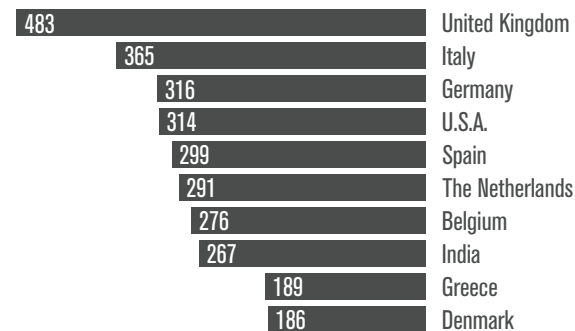
ESHRE membership has steadily grown from 349 in 1985 to 6495 in 2014. In 2014, 450 additional members joined ESHRE, an increase of 7,45% in one year.

ESHRE attracts members from many specialties linked to reproductive medicine, including andrology, embryology, endocrinology, genetics or medical ethics. Around 10% of ESHRE members are lab technicians, nurses or counsellors.

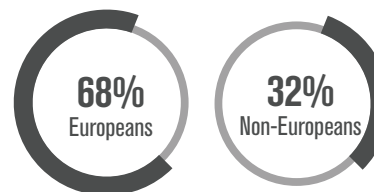
ESHRE members in 2014 were drawn from more than 110 countries, with European members accounting for 68% of the global membership. The UK, Italy and Germany were the three top European countries, with respectively 483, 365 and 316 members.

The USA and India are the leading non-European countries with 314 and 267 members.

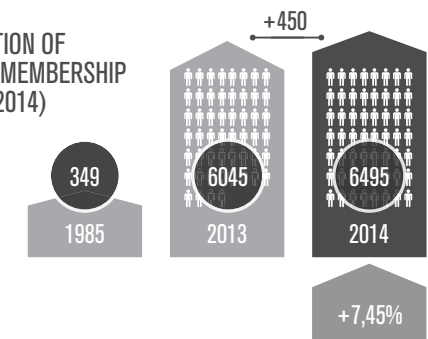
TOP 10 - GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP



ESHRE MEMBERS



EVOLUTION OF ESHRE MEMBERSHIP (1985-2014)



02 EDUCATION

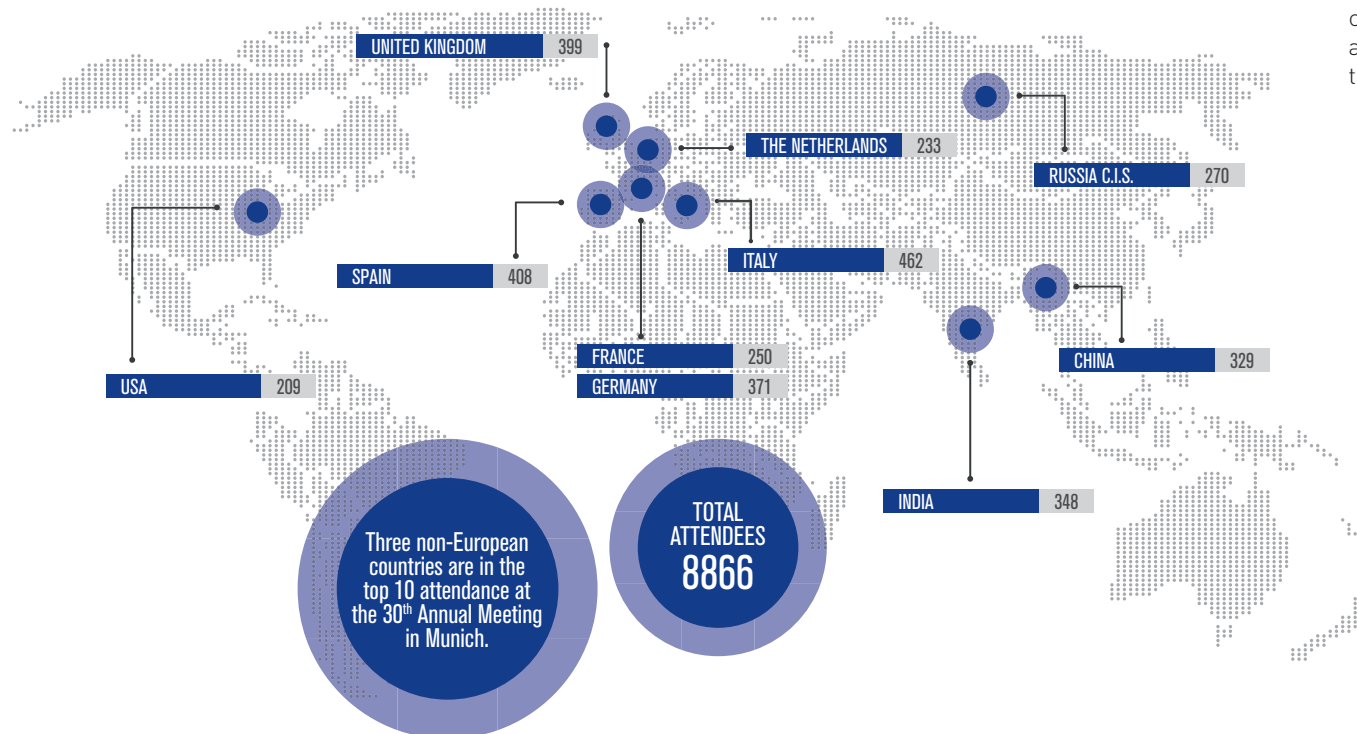
LIFE-LONG LEARNING AND CONTINUING EDUCATION IN REPRODUCTION

I ANNUAL MEETING

ESHRE's 2014 Annual Meeting - the Society's 30th - was staged in Munich, Germany from 29 June to 2 July 2014. With 8866 in attendance, the ESHRE congress is now clearly established as the world's major and best attended event in reproductive science and medicine.

The 2014 congress confirmed the international appeal of the congress and that participants from outside Europe are more and more represented: non-Europeans represented 41% of the attendance and Europeans 59%.

TOP 10 ATTENDANCE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING



02 EDUCATION

I SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2014: PRECONGRESS COURSES

Fourteen Precongress Courses were organised in Munich, attracting 2001 delegates in total. The best attended courses were the SIG Embryology, SIG Early Pregnancy and Reproductive Endocrinology and SIG Reproductive Genetics courses with respectively 412, 344 and 202 delegates.

I MONDAY 30 JUNE TO WEDNESDAY 2 JULY 2014: MAIN SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

The main scientific programme staged 248 oral presentations and 600 posters. The programme was based on a scored selection made from 1454 abstracts submitted by the deadline of 1st February.

I IN THE NEWS

ESHRE Annual Meetings have built their reputation on the scientific quality and innovation of the selected abstracts. A small selection of this research is presented every year to the international press. In Munich eight abstracts were selected for the press programme, including large-scale trials and smaller studies of public interest. Among the highlights of 2014 were results from the TROPY study, which showed that outpatient hysteroscopy before IVF does not significantly affect IVF results. A 30-year follow-up of fertility patients in the USA found no link between fertility drugs and gynaecological and breast cancers.

 113 attendees	PCC01: Targeting and Managing Special Patient Groups - including hands-on workshop in trophectoderm biopsy Organised by Paramedical Group	 135 attendees	PCC02: Treating the man with evidence based medicine Organised by SIG Andrology
 412 attendees	PCC03: Time-lapse monitoring in the ART lab Organised by SIG Embryology	 128 attendees	PCC04: The fallopian tube and reproductive function Organised by SIG Endometriosis
 78 attendees	PCC05: The ethics of gamete donation and information sharing Organised by SIG Ethics and Law	 45 attendees	PCC06: On seeking and finding the evidence Organised by SIGs Psychology and Counselling & Safety and Quality in ART
 116 attendees	PCC07: Fertility-Sparing Surgery in malignant and benign conditions Organised by SIG Reproductive Surgery	 114 attendees	PCC08: Practical applications of clinical and basic science genetics to reproductive medicine By ASRM Exchange course
 58 attendees	PCC09: Academic Authorship programme - The A to Z of research: Doing a study, presenting a poster, giving a talk, writing it up By Editors of Human Reproduction Journals	 130 attendees	PCC10: Fertility preservation in women: Facts and dilemmas Organised by Middle East Fertility Society Exchange course
 344 attendees	PCC11: The contribution of endocrinology & early pregnancy management to the success of an ART center Organised by SIGs Early Pregnancy and Reproductive Endocrinology	 202 attendees	PCC12: The current status of PGD and PGS Organised by SIG Reproductive Genetics
 69 attendees	PCC13: Of stem cells and gametes: more similarities than differences? Organised by SIG Stem Cells	 57 attendees	PCC14: New generation patients Organised by TF Management of Fertility Units, SIG Psychology and Counselling and Fertility Europe



— • ESHRE'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY LOGO

02 EDUCATION

I THE BEST OF ASRM AND ESHRE

The third edition of the "Best Of" meeting organised jointly by ESHRE and the ASRM took place in Cortina D'Ampezzo, Italy, from 27 February to 1 March 2014 with 259 participants. Highlights of the meeting included a presentation by Swedish gynaecologist Mats Brännström on a series of nine uterine transplantations undertaken at the University Hospital of Gothenburg. Brännström stated that seven out of the nine women had begun regular cycles two months after surgery.

I CAMPUS EVENTS

ESHRE Campus courses offer great opportunities for life-long learning and continuing education in reproduction. Fifteen Campus events were organised in 2014 in different European countries and in all disciplines represented by ESHRE's Special Interest Groups (SIGs).

The total number of participants was 1075, and the best attended Campus course was "Making OHSS a complication of the past: State-of-the-art use of GnRH agonist triggering", organised by SIG Endocrinology in Thessaloniki, Greece, with 149 delegates.



A NEW CHAIR FOR THE PARAMEDICAL BOARD

Helen Kendrew, matron at Bath Fertility Centre in the UK, took over as Chair of the Paramedical Board, following Helle Bendtsen. Helen's term will last until July 2016. The Paramedical Board organised or co-organised four Campus events in 2014.

 27 attendees	Associate Editor's Course 2014 30-31 January 2014 Brussels, Belgium	 113 attendees	Epigenetics in reproduction 26-27 September 2014 Lisbon, Portugal
 108 attendees	Fertility preservation: from technique to implementation in clinical practice 14-15 March 2014 Amsterdam, The Netherlands	 31 attendees	Endoscopy in reproductive medicine 15-17 October 2014 Leuven, Belgium
 32 attendees	Endoscopy in reproductive medicine 26-28 March 2014 Leuven, Belgium	 149 attendees	Making OHSS a complication of the past: State-of-the-art use of GnRH agonist triggering 31 October-1 November 2014 Thessaloniki, Greece
 115 attendees	The impact of reproductive surgery on cross talk between the embryo and the endometrium 11-12 April 2014 Vienna, Austria	 109 attendees	From gametes to blastocysts – a continuous dialogue 7-8 November 2014 Dundee, United Kingdom
 57 attendees	Stem cells: Origins, genetics, properties and significance for fertility preservation 27-28 April 2014 Leuven, Belgium	 56 attendees	ART: you must look at the facts because they look at you 15 November 2014 Leuven, Belgium
 95 attendees	Basic training course for paramedics working in reproductive health 15-17 May 2014 Paris, France	 105 attendees	Controversies in endometriosis and adenomyosis 4-6 December 2014 Liège, Belgium
		 78 attendees	Bringing evidence based early pregnancy care to your clinic 11-12 December 2014 Copenhagen, Denmark

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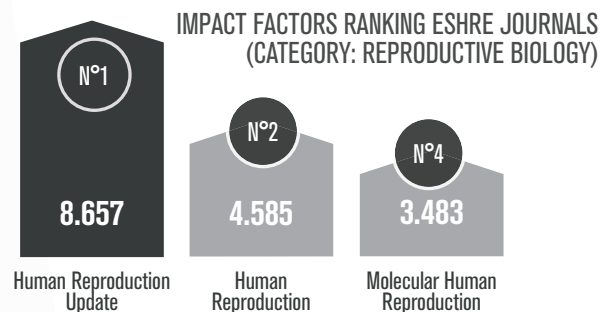
PUBLICATIONS

ALWAYS AIM FOR THE TOP

I IMPACT FACTORS

With impact factors of 8.657 and 4.585 respectively, *Human Reproduction Update* and *Human Reproduction* both topped the categories of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Reproductive Biology and were ranked 1 and 2.

MHR: Basic Science of Reproductive Medicine had an impact factor of 3.483 and was the fourth leading journal in the category of Reproductive Biology.



NEW COVERS

New outside covers appeared on the three ESHRE journals from January 2014.

PROMOTING IMPACT FACTORS

The promotion of the new impact factors had a dedicated campaign on social media.

FIRST THINGS FIRST.

Human Reproduction Update and *Human Reproduction* top in Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Reproductive Biology.
www.eshre.eu/journals



03 PUBLICATIONS

I HIGHLIGHTS

The Editors-in-Chief of the three titles now choose one study or theme which they wish to highlight from each publication. In 2014 these "Editor's highlights" became freely downloadable.



EDITOR'S HIGHLIGHTS

Editor's highlights are also published on ESHRE social media.

I ESHRE PAGES IN 2014

ESHRE's flagship journal *Human Reproduction* regularly features papers approved by the ESHRE Executive Committee for publication in the "ESHRE pages", which are not externally peer-reviewed.



ESHRE GUIDELINE

Management of women with endometriosis (*Human Reproduction* – March 2014)



BEYOND THE DICHOTOMY

A tool for distinguishing between experimental, innovative and established treatment (*Human Reproduction* – March 2014)



ESHRE PGD CONSORTIUM DATA COLLECTION XII

Cycles from January to December 2009 with pregnancy follow-up to October 2010 (*Human Reproduction* – May 2014)



ESHRE TASK FORCE ON ETHICS AND LAW 21

Genetic screening of gamete donors: ethical issues (*Human Reproduction* – July 2014)



CURRENT ISSUES IN MEDICALLY ASSISTED REPRODUCTION AND GENETICS IN EUROPE

Research, clinical practice, ethics, legal issues and policy (*Human Reproduction* – August 2014)



ESHRE TASK FORCE ON ETHICS AND LAW 22

Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis (*Human Reproduction* – August 2014)



ESHRE TASK FORCE ON ETHICS AND LAW 22

Medically assisted reproduction in singles, lesbian and gay couples, and transsexual people (*Human Reproduction* – September 2014)



ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN EUROPE, 2010

Results generated from European registers by ESHRE (*Human Reproduction* – October 2014)

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GUIDELINES

GUIDELINES PUBLISHED BY ESHRE
HAVE FOLLOWED A RIGOROUS
METHODOLOGY ESTABLISHED
BY THE ESHRE MANUAL FOR
GUIDELINE DEVELOPMENT

All guidelines published by ESHRE have followed a rigorous methodology established by the ESHRE manual for guideline development (published in 2009 and updated in 2014).

Guideline development is now a well-established activity within ESHRE. 2014 has been a flourishing year, with many new guidelines initiated or on the verge of being published.

I MANAGEMENT OF WOMEN WITH ENDOMETRIOSIS

Following the publication of the first guideline Management of women with endometriosis in 2013, ESHRE developed a wide series of tools to ensure an optimum dissemination of the guideline and a facilitated adoption in the clinical practice in 2014.

The summary of the guideline was published in *Human Reproduction* on 20 January 2014 in advance access.

A decision-aid application for mobile device and computers, entirely based on the recommendations and conclusions of the guideline was also developed and released in April 2014.

A patient version of the guideline was also developed and published.

In 2014, the webpage of the guideline Management of women with endometriosis on the ESHRE website ranked among the top 10 most visited pages, with 32 401 page views.

In addition, eight abstracts linked to the publication of the Guideline on the Management of women with endometriosis were submitted and accepted to be presented in international and national gynaecology medical congresses.



• DOWNLOAD THE
ENDOMETRIOSIS APP



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GUIDELINES



ROUTINE PSYCHOSOCIAL CARE IN INFERTILITY AND MEDICALLY ASSISTED REPRODUCTION – A GUIDE FOR FERTILITY STAFF

The draft guideline, developed by the SIG Psychology and Counselling, was presented at the Annual Meeting in Munich and was open for review from 4 August to 30 September 2014. The publication is planned for 2015.



MANAGEMENT OF WOMEN WITH PREMATURE OVARIAN INSUFFICIENCY

The draft guideline developed by the SIG Reproductive Endocrinology, was presented during the Annual Meeting in Munich. The review process is planned for 2015.



GUIDELINE ON THE MANAGEMENT OF RECURRENT MISCARRIAGE

An initiative of the SIG Early Pregnancy, the full guideline development group was composed in April 2014 and literature searches started in September 2014. The first draft of the guideline should be available at the end of 2015.



GOOD PRACTICE IN IVF LABORATORIES

A proposal of the SIG Embryology to update its Revised guidelines for good practice in IVF laboratories was approved by the ESHRE Executive Committee in February 2014. The first draft should be available for review in 2015.



• ON THE WEB

Information about the ESHRE guideline development programme and the guidelines published can be found on the ESHRE website: www.eshre.eu/guidelines

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RESEARCH & DATA COLLECTION

SUPPORTING EXCELLENCE IN REPRODUCTIVE SCIENCE AND MEDICINE



MARKUS KUPKA

Chairman of the EIM Steering Committee 2013-2015



I EIM CONSORTIUM

The ESHRE IVF Monitoring (EIM) Consortium has been collecting data each year since 1997 from around 30 European countries.

Results from the 2010 data collection were published in *Human Reproduction* in October. The report can be downloaded from the ESHRE website: www.eshre.eu/eim

A new IT system was selected in 2014 to improve the efficiency of the EIM's data collection and speed up the process. The new system will be used for the first time in 2015 to collect the data from 2013.

The latest EIM data presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting in Munich, reported data on more than 1 million ART babies born in Europe since records began.

The 2011 data were presented at the Annual Meeting in Munich. These were drawn from 1034 clinics, with results showing some important current trends in IVF:

- ICSI is still the preferred treatment option with 300,000 cycles reported;
- The number of frozen cycles is slowly reaching the levels of fresh cycles in IVF (120,032 cycles for FER vs 137,621 fresh cycles) and pregnancy rates from frozen cycles have risen from 14.1% in 1997 to 21.4% in 2011;
- The majority of transfers are two-embryo transfer, while SET continues to rise representing almost 30% of the cycles;
- Multiple delivery rates decline and while pregnancy rates increase. Average pregnancy rate is now at 32.1% (from 26% in the first data collection).

The Consortium is now monitoring about 600.000 cycles per year.

IMPORTANT TRENDS IN IVF



ICSI

= most preferred treatment: 300 000 cycles reported



SET

almost 30% of the cycles



FROZEN CYCLES

pregnancy rate

1997	14,1%
2011	21,4%



PREGNANCY RATE

1997	26%
2011	32,1%

I PGD CONSORTIUM

Since 1997 the ESHRE PGD Consortium has been collecting prospective and retrospective data from PGD cycles, producing consensus guidelines for PGD laboratories and promoting best practice. Data collection XVI, due in 2014, was postponed in order to collect those data with the new software commissioned by the Consortium.

The report on data collection XII (cycles of 2009) was published in *Human Reproduction* in May.

The report can be downloaded from the ESHRE website: www.eshre.eu/pgd

WORKING GROUPS

A working group on HLA tissue typing, chaired by Jan Traeger Synodinos was set up in 2014 and began a multicenter study to evaluate the overall clinical utility of HLA-PGD.

The working group created in 2013 to monitor new technologies in PGD has collected results from the first survey on PGD/PGS practice and perspectives. Forty-six PGD centres from 24 countries participated and reported on current practice and technologies in 1938 PGD cycles and 2725 PGS cycles. The survey will be extended and the publication is expected in 2015.

I RESEARCH GRANT

ESHRE introduced a research grant programme in 2014, with funding of up to 150 000€ spread over a maximum of three years.

Selection of submitted proposals took place over two rounds and was based on three main criteria: scientific excellence, originality and feasibility; 259 project proposals were submitted by the deadline of 15 May 2014 for the first round of selection.

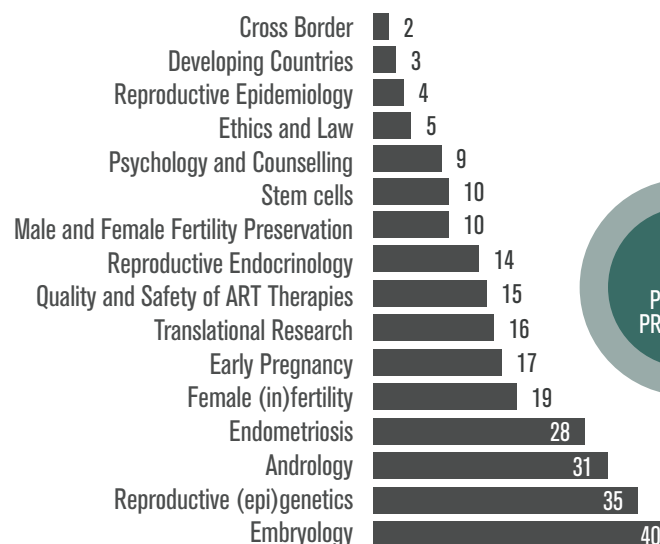
Based on an evaluation of the projects by the SIG coordinators, ExCo members, and experts, ten projects were selected for the second selection round and were further reviewed and assessed by five independent experts.

This first ESHRE research grant was awarded to Professor Norah Spears from the University of Edinburgh for her project on fertility preservation: "Can tyrosine kinase inhibitors protect the ovary against chemotherapy-induced damage?"

This project also involved colleagues Richard Anderson and Federica Lopes from Edinburgh University and Francesca Gioia Klinger and Massimo De Felici at the University of Rome Tor Vergata.

The research grant will be awarded every second year. The next call for proposals will be in 2016.

NUMBER OF PROPOSALS PER TOPIC



259
PROJECT
PROPOSALS

ON THE WEB

More information about the ESHRE grant can be found on www.eshre.eu/grant



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ACCREDITATION & CERTIFICATION

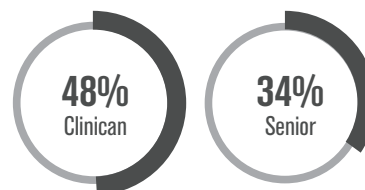
VALIDATING SKILLS, EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE

I ESHRE CERTIFICATION FOR EMBRYOLOGISTS

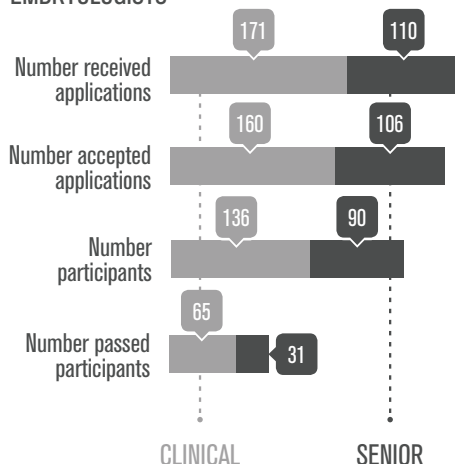
The ESHRE certification in embryology is a two-level certification programme which aims to encourage the formal recognition of embryologists working in IVF and develop their competence.

The embryology certification is a competitive and high-level programme. Success rates at the exam in 2014 were 48% for clinical embryologists and 34% for senior embryologists.

SUCCESS RATES
EXAM 2014



EXAM 2014 CERTIFICATION FOR EMBRYOLOGISTS

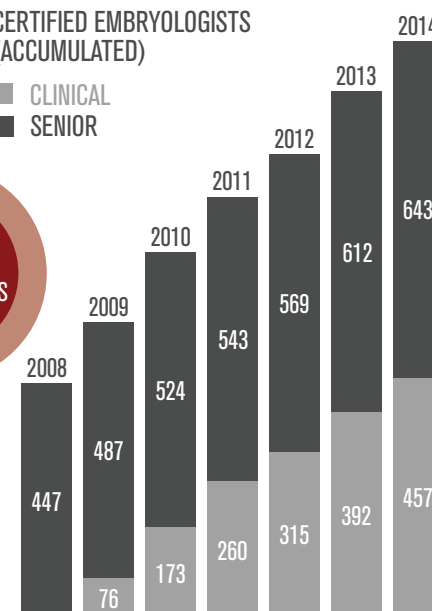


The embryology certification programme was introduced in 2008 and interest in the certification has been growing over the years. In 2014, the accumulated number of ESHRE certified embryologists was 1100.

CERTIFIED EMBRYOLOGISTS (ACCUMULATED)

■ CLINICAL
■ SENIOR

1100
CERTIFIED EMBRYOLOGISTS IN 2014



• MORE INFORMATION?

www.eshre.eu/embryologycertification

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ACCREDITATION & CERTIFICATION

I ESHRE CERTIFICATION FOR REPRODUCTIVE ENDOSCOPIC SURGEONS (ECRES)

The ECRES programme was designed for reproductive surgeons who wish to validate their hysteroscopic and laparoscopic skills. It assesses both practical and theoretical skills.

The programme, introduced in 2013, is on two levels: Bachelor (level 1) and Reproductive Endoscopic Surgeon (Level 2)

In 2014, five candidates applied and four passed at level 1. Eight candidates from 11 applicants were successful and passed the level 2 exam.



I ESHRE CERTIFICATION FOR NURSES AND MIDWIVES

The ESHRE certification programme for nurses and midwives was launched in 2014.

The certification will allow nurses and midwives with special interest in reproductive health to validate their skills and experience and to establish their status.

In January 2014 the logbook necessary to apply for the first certification exam (scheduled in 2015) was published; 77 applications were received, and 68 accepted.

I CENTRE ACCREDITATION OF SUBSPECIALIST TRAINING PROGRAMME IN REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE

The ESHRE accreditation of specialist centres is in collaboration with the European Board and College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (EBCOG). Accreditation provides a quality label for specialist centres and attests good in-house facilities and expertise to provide adequate training to those wishing to specialise in the treatment of fertility.

In 2014 two new centres were accredited in the scheme, which brought the accumulated number of centres with valid accreditation to 11.

• MORE INFORMATION?

www.eshre.eu/nursescertification



• MORE INFORMATION?

www.eshre.eu/ecrescertification

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FINANCIAL REPORT

THE SOCIETY'S FINANCIAL SITUATION IS CURRENTLY 'MORE THAN SOUND'

Financial results for 2014 showed a positive balance of 359,107.48 euro. As expected, the net result was less favourable than in 2013, but still higher than budget projections. Compared to 2013, income decreased by 322,806.8 euro, while expenses increased by 183,060 euro.

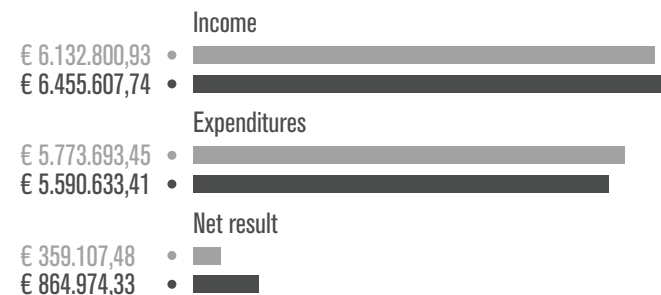
The income decrease is explained by a reduced revenue from live educational events (i.e. Annual Meeting and Campus meetings/workshops). Incurred advance payments for congress facility rental fees and other deposits mostly explain the main difference between 2013 and 2014 expenditures.

The Society's financial situation is currently more than sound with a total of 12,452,737.08 euro in capital and reserves (noted 31 December 2014).

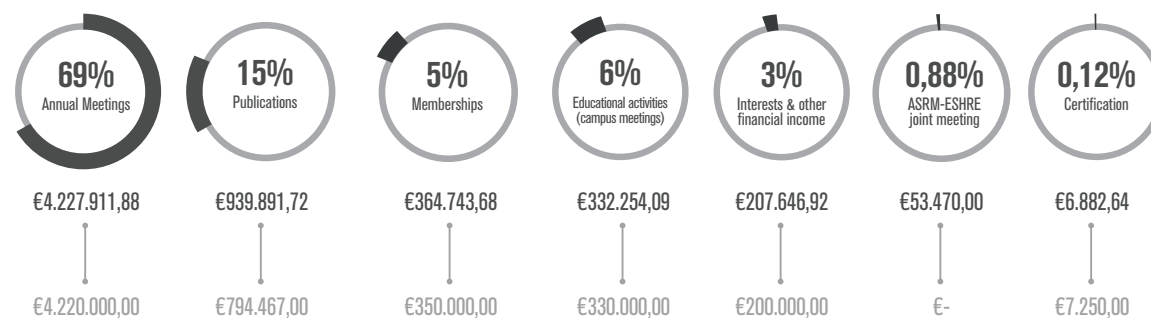
The profit and loss accounts for the year ending 31 December 2014 and proposed budget for 2015 are as in the tables below and are submitted to the Annual Assembly of Members for approval.

NET RESULT 2013-2014

■ 2014
■ 2013

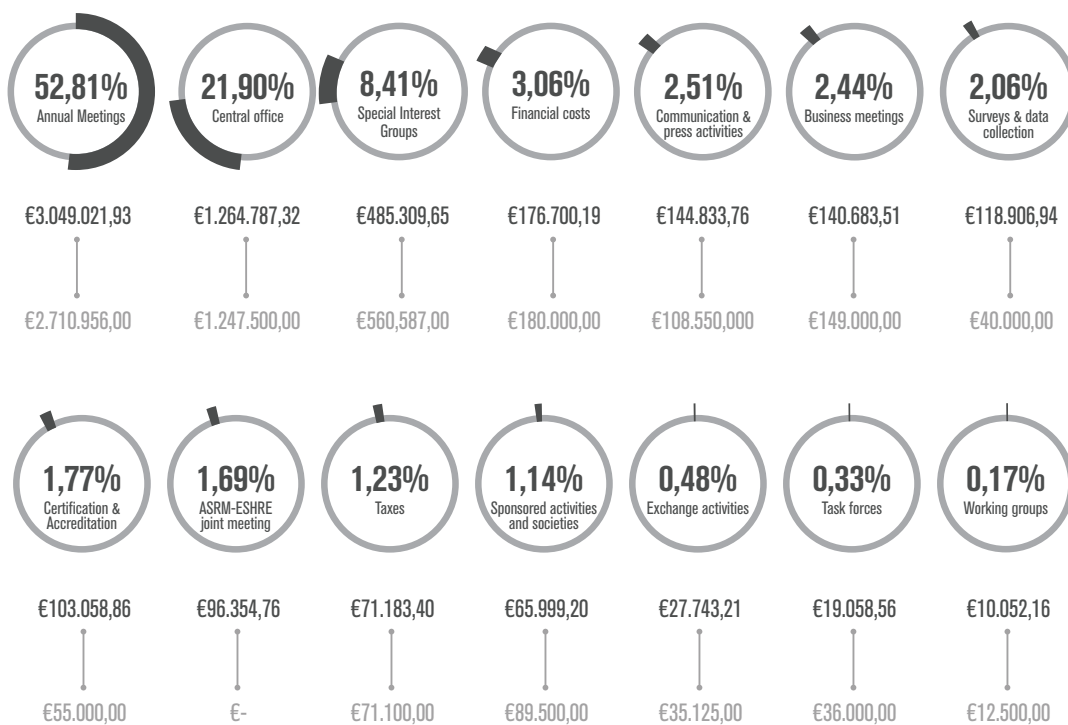


INCOME AS OF 31/12/2014: €6.132.800,93



INCOME BUDGET 2015: €5.901.717,00

EXPENSES AS OF 31/12/2014: €5.773.693,45



EXPENSE BUDGET 2015: €5.295.818,00



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PEOPLE

I COMMITTEES

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THE HEART OF ESHRE'S SUCCESS

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