What Is the EULIS?

The EAU Section of Urolithiasis (EULIS) deals with all aspects of stone disease treatment. The section also stimulates and is actively involved in European research on urolithiasis.

Our Scope

Our strength is in the multidisciplinary outlook on our subspecialty - we preach and practice an integrated approach to urolithiasis, working together with nutrition scientists, nephrologists, research dieticians and other experts. This integrated approach translates into a very broad scope: stone prevention, diet, stone formation, management of stones in children, metabolism in stone disease, pain therapy, open and minimally invasive surgery, and stents. Also, the EULIS has a broad area of interest in basic and translational research, teaching and training.

How to Participate

If you are mostly involved in clinical work, you will certainly find it useful to attend our bi-annual section meeting or one of the workshops. If you have a strong interest in research, you are welcome to profile your work with our section and the European audience by submitting an abstract to our bi-annual meeting or the EAU Annual Congress, which traditionally holds a session dedicated to urolithiasis. Additionally, if you have any ideas, suggestions or proposals for collaboration, please do not hesitate to contact us, as we will be happy to receive your input.
Our History

European urolithiasis practitioners and researchers have been active for many years, organising dedicated meetings as early as 1972. Eventually 13 successful meetings were held under the name of the European Urolithiasis Symposium (EUS). In 1997 the EUS reformed its Advisory Board, electing a Board of 6 members and a Chairman and in 1998, the EUS officially became the Eurolithiasis Society. At the same time the society started building strong ties with the EAU and for many years they productively worked in an affiliated partnership. In 2009 the EULIS joined the EAU as a full section of the European Association of Urology, adopting its current name. Today, the EULIS is one of EAU’s most active sections and plays an important role in many of the association’s projects and activities.

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Our Role within the EAU

Within the EAU we represent the interests of the European urolithiasis community. We make sure that the needs of specialists involved in this field are addressed and that the topic of stones remains high on the agenda of the international urological community.

Our Mission

The EAU Section of Urolithiasis (EULIS) aims to facilitate advancement of knowledge, investigation and treatment of urolithiasis and to promote dialogue, research, education and training in all aspects of urinary stone disease.

To achieve this mission we focus on a number of objectives:

• We aim to reach a clearer perspective of what urolithiasis has to offer and increase our knowledge through investigation;
• We promote every aspect of clinical urolithiasis, i.e. basic and clinical research, education and training;
• We encourage collaborative projects among urologist, nephrologists, nutrition scientists and basic researchers;
• We are working towards a more active participation of the section in the ongoing educational programmes carried out by the European School of Urology (ESU).
Projects & Activities

The EULIS runs several ongoing projects and has contributed to many successful initiatives in the past. Scientific knowledge-sharing and research are the main focus of our best-established activities, but today we are also participating in a number of programmes addressing education and general public awareness.

Biannual section meeting

Every two years, a Meeting of the EAU Section of Urolithiasis is held to discuss innovation in basic research and surgery in the field. We strive to compose a programme that is diverse and highly relevant in the context of current developments. The meeting includes live stone surgery by world renowned experts, hands-on training on PCNL, URS, ESWL and metal stenting, as well as state-of-the-art lectures and moderated poster sessions.

Urolithiasis Handbook

The EULIS Urolithiasis Handbook was edited by Prof. Trincheri, Como, and contains actual information on all aspects of urolithiasis. It was composed by the EULIS board members and associates. It will be available as of 2013.

EAU Patient Information

The EULIS played an essential role in the development of the EAU Patient Information which launched with the topic of kidney and ureteral stones. The main purpose of this project is to provide reliable information on urological diseases - unbiased, comprehensive, clear. All the materials take into account the existing scientific evidence, the experience of medical experts and nurse practitioners, as well as the views of the patients.

Partnerships

The EULIS extensively collaborates with various groups within and outside of the EAU. This collaboration is essential in our multidisciplinary specialty and always leads to the successful implementation of projects. Amongst others, the EULIS contributes to the work of the Urolithiasis panel of the EAU Guidelines Office and co-organises ESUT Live surgery sessions and the Hands-on-Training at the Annual EAU Congress. Other partnership projects include:

- European Renal Association - European Dialysis and Transplantation Association
- Primary Hyperoxaluria Group Bonn
- Experts in stone disease meeting
- World Congress of Endourology

Publications

The EULIS actively contributes to EAU’s various periodic publications, both digital and printed. Opinion articles, reviews and meeting reports are authored by the section members.
Who Are We?

The EAU Section of Urolithiasis is headed by the Chairman, includes eleven Board Members and one ex officio member. Additionally, the section includes associate members and honorary members who contribute to the development of the EULIS.

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