



EMWA Newsblast - July 2018



Save the date | Vienna 2019 | 7th-11th May 2019

EMWA's Seventh one-day Symposium

[Would you like to learn more about Rare and Orphan diseases?](#)

The one day EMWA symposium at the spring conference in Vienna (7th-11th May, 2019) will deep-dive to this topic from clinical, regulatory, rare diseases companies and patient perspectives too.

Barcelona 2018 – 10+pin badges

We appreciate your commitment: 10+ workshop pins were given to 13 workshop leaders and 20+ badges to 4 workshop leaders:

Laurence Auffret
Lisa Chamberlain James
Claudia Frumento
Tom Lang
Phil Leventhal
Shanida Nataraja
Andrea Palluch
Francesca PirkI

Internship Forum – Call for volunteers

We are looking for EMWA members that want to actively volunteer with the Internship Forum team. Interested members.

Please e-mail us at pr@emwa.org for more information.

NEWS OF INTEREST

Regulatory News

- EMA launches a new secure online portal for sponsors to submit applications for orphan designation and to manage [post-designation activities](#)
- EMA published its [workshop report](#) on how to better apply the Paediatric Regulation to boost development of medicines for children. A [factsheet](#) and a [video](#) are also available.
- EMA [restricted](#) use of Keytruda (pembrolizumab) and Tecentriq (atezolizumab) as first line-treatments for urothelial cancer
- EMA begins [review](#) of medicines containing the painkiller metamizole
- EMA pre-authorisation procedural [advice](#) for users of the centralised procedure
- EMA post-authorisation procedural [advice](#) for users of the centralised procedure
- FDA [published](#) first CSR in [pilot program: Erleada](#)
- [Draft guidance](#) "Patient-focused drug development: collecting comprehensive and representative input"
- [Press Release](#): Statement from FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb, MD, on new policies to reduce the ability of brand drug makers to use REMS programs as a way to block timely generic drug entry, helping promote competition and access
- ICH S9 guideline on [nonclinical evaluation for anticancer pharmaceuticals- Qs&As](#)

Medical Writing Journal

Contributing to Medical Writing is an excellent way to enhance your career and grow as a medical writer by providing:

- Visibility within the medical writing community
- The opportunity to demonstrate knowledge and expertise of a subject
- Professional experience that can be listed on a CV
- Networking with experts

Several options are available to EMWA members who want to volunteer:

- Provide content for regular sections
- Write feature articles
- Serve on the Editorial Board as a Section Editor
- Serve on the Editorial Board as an Associate Editor
- Serve as Guest Editor for an issue
- Serve as co-Editor or Editor-in-Chief

For further information, write us at mew@emwa.org.

Joint Position Statement

The [Russian](#) translation of the Joint Positions Statement (JPS) is now available. EMWA would also like to thank all of the following people for their excellent work in translating the JPS on the role of medical communicators in the preparation of manuscripts for publication.

By joining with AMWA and ISMPP in both developing and publicizing the Joint Position Statement, EMWA is providing a valuable service to publication professionals around the world by enabling them to more easily read, understand, and apply the principles of the JPS.

WEBINAR UPDATE

This month LIVE webinar will be on the 27th of July from 14:00 to 15:00 CET. Andrea Rossi will talk about **Writing guidelines**.

For more information about this webinar and registration please click [here](#)

OTHER NEWS

Assistant web manager position

We are looking for an assistant to our web manager. If you have the skills and are interested in volunteering, please reply to info@emwa.org.

NewsBlast instructions to contributors

We are adapting our format: Contributions to the NewsBlast should be sent to pr@emwa.org until the 22nd of each month to be published in the following month.

Updates should be concise, **150-200 words long**, with a separate and detailed piece of information to be included on one of the EMWA webpages (according to the author's input).



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