



Call

For applications for the

2nd Workshop

for Early Career Investigators (ECI)

Basic and Clinical Research in Chronic Neutropenias

September 08-10, 2022, Palermo, Italy

Local Organizers

Piero Farruggia

Pediatric Onco-Hematology

Purpose of the Workshop:

The Workshop for Early Career Investigators (ECI) is organized by the COST Action CA18233 European Network for Innovative Diagnosis and Treatment of Chronic Neutropenias (EuNet-INNOCHRON). The young participating scientists will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge via interactive lectures from experts, familiarize themselves with protocols, patients case reports, discuss and even start collaborations with other researchers on the same field all over Europe, as well as present their own work and findings and state their concerns and questions. The meeting aims at covering the on-going research, future perspectives and potential clinical applications, and at fostering novel ideas in the field of Chronic Neutropenias.

The participants will also have the opportunity to attend the Severe Chronic Neutropenia International Registry – Local Liaison Physicians Meeting that is taking place as a joint meeting in the same venue of Grand Hotel Piazza Borsa, Palermo.

The host of the Workshop is **Dr Piero Farruggia**, Pediatric Onco-Hematology, ARNAS Civico Di Cristina Benfratelli Hospital, in Palermo, Sicily, Italy.

A limited number of participants will be accepted with younger researchers strongly encouraged to apply. However, any researcher can apply.

Deadline for applications: July 15th, 2022

Applicants are encouraged to submit an abstract of their recent research on Neutropenia.

Application Process:

1. The applicants must send their application to Dr Piero Farruggia email: piero.farruggia@arnascivico.it and Dr Helen Papadaki, e-mail e.papadaki@uoc.gr, **before the deadline July 15th 2022**.
2. The application should consist of.
 - A brief C.V.
 - A motivation letter stating the relevance to their research and the value to participate in the ECI course.
 - A letter of support from a senior Researcher/Clinician (preferably but not necessarily related to the EuNet-INNOCHRON project) from their home Institution.
3. The applicants are also encouraged to submit an abstract of up to 500 words text. Selected abstracts will be presented as oral or poster presentations during the meeting. **Submission of an abstract will be considered an advantage during the selection process of the applicants.**
4. The applicants will be formally notified of the outcome of their application on **July 20th** at the latest.

Important Notes:

1. The selected applicants will be sent a **formal COST invitation** to the email they have provided and instructions for reimbursement rules for the expenses regarding the whole travel.
2. The selected participants **will be reimbursed** from the COST Action EuNet-INNOCHRON for travel costs and will get a fixed amount of daily allowance (for their accommodation, meals and any public local transport).
3. To attend this in-person meeting, participants are subject to the regulations of the Italian National Health Authorities regarding the pandemic that are being constantly revised.
4. Participants are advised to **include cancellation insurance** when making arrangement for travel and accommodation.