



**Dear Friends and Collegues,**

It has been a tough two years for the medical community. Fighting a global pandemic while at the same time keeping up with our regular workload and trying to make sure that no patient falls through the cracks has taken a toll on all of us.



However, I am hopeful as this year draws to an end when I look at what we, as a society, have accomplished in 2021. We were able to host three fantastic online congresses, attracting more interventional radiologists and physicians from neighbouring specialities than ever. The online ECIO, ET and CIRSE congresses allowed us to continue exchanging our experience and knowledge and to further push our research. We were able to provide excellent educational material to the next generation of IRs and continue our great cooperation with our industry partners.

IASIOS, the International Accreditation System for Interventional Oncology Services, celebrated its public launch in 2021, allowing for centres from around the world to certify their commitment to optimising their IO treatment services for oncology patients.

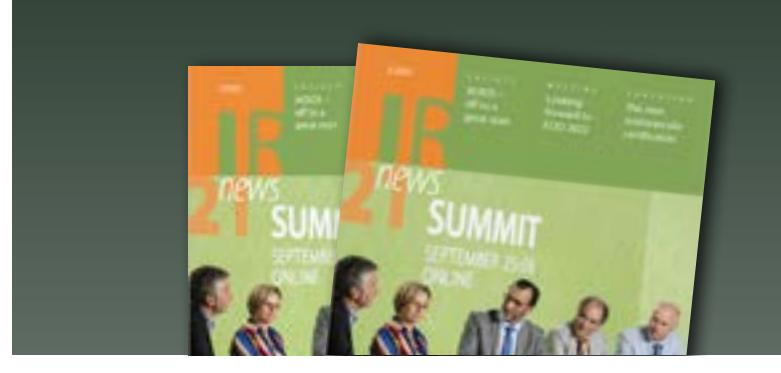
CIRSE's commitment to supporting research in our field was also pushed to the next level this year with the creation of Next Research, our very own contract research organisation (CRO) which will provide all services required to link practitioners with the industry in order to identify data needs and address them accordingly, resulting in clinical data collections that will yield value to practitioners, the industry, and most importantly our patients.

Our tireless efforts to move our specialty forward have resulted in a continuous increase in our membership numbers, showing that not even a pandemic can stop the growth of our wonderful community. Since the beginning of 2020, we have been able to welcome 500 new members from around the globe, bringing the total of interventional radiologists and other healthcare professionals represented by CIRSE up to 8,772. I warmly welcome all of you and look forward to your input and ideas!

As we head into the new year, I especially look forward to welcoming everyone to our congresses which will return to an in-person format with ECIO 2022 taking place from April 24-27 in Vienna, followed by ET from June 22-25 in Nice and the highlight of our interventional year – CIRSE 2022 – taking place in Barcelona Sept. 10-14.

Until we see each other again, I wish you strength, a dash of optimism and very Happy Holidays!

Afshin Gangi  
CIRSE President



**Winter edition of IR News out now!**

Read all about this year's society activities, including three outstanding online congresses, nine webinars and countless other initiatives to support our community.



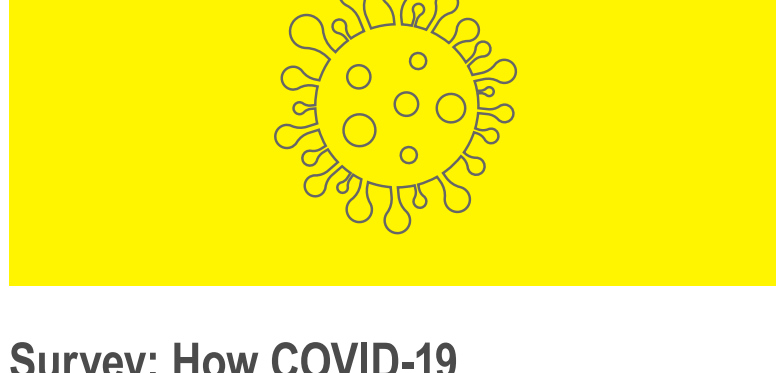
**CIRSE Information**

We are in the process of updating and improving our systems. If you have not yet accessed your CIRSE profile since Dec. 14, 2021, please reset your password here.



**Share your work at ECIO 2022**

Submit your abstract for ECIO 2022 to share your work at the world's most comprehensive congress for interventional oncology! Abstract can be submitted in the categories educational, scientific, First@ECIO clinical trial and case report. Accepted abstracts will be published in a special supplement of CVIR and qualify for various poster awards. An opportunity not to be missed!



**Survey: How COVID-19 has impacted IR**

The COVID-19 pandemic still poses a challenge for interventional radiologists around the globe, forcing teams to adapt their daily practice accordingly. This survey strives to assess the changes to work routines and team structures which have occurred since the beginning of the pandemic. Support your specialty by answering these 10 questions



**ESIR course: Ablation from A to Z**

Offering a comprehensive overview on ablation techniques, measures and monitoring, this two-day course taking place from Feb. 24-25 will give you the opportunity for hands-on ex-vivo and in-vivo animal lab training under the expert guidance of Prof. Gangi and his team. Places are strictly limited, so make sure to secure your spot today!



**Liver cancer: No patient left behind**

Digestive Cancers Europe (DiCE), an umbrella organisation uniting numerous national GI cancer patient groups, has launched a white paper highlighting the importance an interdisciplinary approach for the treatment of liver cancer. It calls upon stakeholders to make all treatment options including interventional radiology available to patients across Europe.



**Topic packages: Diabetic foot and vessel preparation**

The CIRSE Library features more than 50 topic packages of curated content including relevant lectures, standards of practice documents, and further reading material on a specific subject. Browse the latest topic packages on the management of the diabetic foot and vessel preparation in PAD treatment here!round.



**New webinars available on demand**

The two most recent CIRSE Webinars are now available free of charge in the CIRSE Library. Including five lectures and interactive videos, one webinar focuses on MITs in malignant thyroid lesions, whereas the other webinar scrutinises the various approaches to vascular access creation for dialysis patients as well as the patient pathway. Browse these and many more webinars now!



**Guidelines for reporting on studies**

To help with reporting research methods and findings, CVIR has made reporting guidelines for various study designs available to its authors. Containing a checklist of what should be covered in each submission, they are bound to make your submission process much easier. Click here to find out more!



**CVIR Endovascular featured article**

With the many interesting articles submitted to CVIR Endovascular in 2021, we were hard-pressed to choose a best-of list, but we have tried to compile the top ten articles of 2021 for you to enjoy over the holidays. Make sure to share your favourites!

