



# PRESS RELEASE

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## **57<sup>th</sup> ERA-EDTA Congress: Press Conference on 'Corona and the Kidneys'**

**The kidneys are affected by SARS-CoV-2, with some patients even developing acute kidney injury (AKI). Kidney patients are also at greater risk from coronavirus. Experts will be informing about 'Corona and the Kidneys' on June 5 at 3.30 pm CEST.**

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ABSTRACT: The 57<sup>th</sup> ERA-EDTA Congress will be held on the originally scheduled dates of June 6-9, 2020, but in fully virtual form. Journalists can register and obtain full access to the virtual content. In a press briefing on June 5 at 3.30 pm CEST, experts will be informing about new data on 'Corona and the Kidneys'.

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The Congress of the ERA-EDTA (European Renal Association and European Dialysis and Transplant Association) is Europe's biggest congress on nephrology and renal replacement therapy. More than 8,000 participants sharing their knowledge and discussing the latest research findings are usually expected. This year, the Congress will continue as planned on the originally scheduled dates of June 6-9, 2020, but in a fully virtual form.

A day before the Congress, **on June 5, at 3.30 pm CEST**, we extend a cordial invitation to a ZOOM Press Conference on 'Corona and the Kidneys'. Various

international experts will report on their experience during the corona crisis and will discuss the latest research findings.

Kidney patients appear to have a higher risk for severe Covid-19 disease. Kidney involvement also seems to be frequent in patients with Covid-19. Proteinuria (and/or blood in urine) often occurs at the beginning or during the infection, with many patients with severe COVID-19 disease even developing acute kidney injury (AKI). This involvement of kidneys during coronavirus infection raises the question whether patients should be monitored after the disease.

#### Program of the Press Conference

- Are dialysis patients at particular risk? The Italian experience  
Mario Gennaro Cozzolino
  
- Dialysis and mortality in Spain  
Maria Jose Soler Romeo
  
- Prognosis and risk factors for mortality in patients on kidney replacement therapy with COVID-19: The ERACODA Study  
Luuk Hilbrands
  
- AKI and ESKD in severe COVID-19: pathology, management, outcome. The German experience  
Elion Hoxha (t.b.c.)

**To attend the Press Conference, please send an email with your contact details and details of the medium for which you are working to [press@era-edta.org](mailto:press@era-edta.org). After you register, you will be sent the link to the conference.**

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**57<sup>TH</sup> ERA-EDTA CONGRESS FULLY VIRTUAL**  
JUNE 6-9, 2020

**This year at our virtual Congress**

- > 10,000 Expected participants
- > 100 Virtual sessions
- > 350 Virtual presentations
- > 200 Speakers in streaming
- > 1,800 e-posters
- > 100 Virtual exhibitors
- UEMS-EACCME and participation certificates
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