

A European Research Economy of Scale for Sarcoidosis

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• September 2020: Eurosarcoidosis (European Sarcoidosis Foundation) incorporated

- Vision: create a European Research Economy of Scale for Sarcoidosis
 - ✓ to raise funds for sarcoidosis research across 30+ European countries.
 - ✓ to use research as a flywheel: involve more researchers and disseminate expert insights

Execution:

- ✓ March 2024: Eurosarcoidosis to launch Scientific Advisory Board: Grunewald, Israel-Biet, Petrek, Prasse, Spagnolo, Veltkamp (secr), Grutters (chair)
- ✓ September 2024: Eurosarcoidosis to finance first annual Young Investigator research grants for hand-over at ERS, Vienna



Strategy 2024-2025:

- ✓ SAB drafts sarcoidosis research agenda for discussion among stakeholders
- ✓ Eurosarcoidosis continues to network with and engage potential donors "in listening mode"

Donor categories:

- ✓ Healthcare Industry e.g. Pharma, Biotech, Big Iron, Publishers
- ✓ Globally operating charities
- ✓ International institutions e.g. European Commission, WHO
- ✓ High net-worth individuals
- ✓ Non-traditional businesses (healthcare is global megatrend!)
- ✓ Patients/relatives/friends



Next steps:

- ✓ define interest for sponsoring/subsidizing sarcoidosis research per donor category
- ✓ fundraising is specialised business, find experienced, multinational experts for acquisition teams
- ✓ create global/regional coordination mechanisms to prevent competitive acquisition.

To conclude:

- ✓ Eurosarcoidosis executes multi-year strategy for sarcoidosis research fundraising
- ✓ WASOG: example for emerging markets beyond Europa and USA?
- ✓ clear synergetic opportunities for ERN-LUNG Sarcoidosis Core Network
- ✓ Eurosarcoidosis would therefore like to join SCN



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