



The Intensive Connection

Agreement between

European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM) & Japanese Society of Intensive Care Medicine (JSICM)

The European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM) and the Japanese Society of Intensive Care Medicine (JSICM), both Scientific non-for-profit research and educational associations, whose purpose is to improve the care of the critically ill patient, hereby create a strategic partnership which will further the mission of both ESICM and JSICM (collectively the “organisations”).

As the organisations are focused on quality and safety in intensive care, through the implementation of scientific and educational programs for their members, collaboration is imperative to enrich members’ experiences. Through this partnership, the organisations will exchange ‘best practices’ and cooperate actively in order to create synergies that can create added value to both organisations and especially to members and their patients

The organisations by signing this agreement agree to the following:

1. Benefits for the National Society

1. JSICM will be entitled to representation by a duly nominated official delegate to the ESICM National Societies Committee.
2. JSICM will be entitled to offer its own members a discounted rate for ESICM membership, known as the Dual Membership scheme (see section 2. *Dual Membership Scheme*).
3. JSICM will be entitled to bid to co-host meetings with ESICM.
4. JSICM will be entitled to bid to co-organise ESICM educational courses in its’ own meetings.
5. JSICM will be entitled to input data into the European Registry of Intensive Care (ERIC) and access its’ own country level data reports.

2. Dual Membership Scheme

1. In order to enhance cooperation between the organisations, ESICM proposes dual membership to all members of JSICM (whether or not currently an ESICM

member) so that its members can join ESICM and benefit from membership at a significantly reduced fee.

2. For the membership year 2013, the Dual Membership rate to join ESICM is €100.
3. This rate will be reviewed on a yearly basis by ESICM who will announce the forthcoming rates three months before the beginning of the new membership year.
4. This rate will provide JSICM members with full membership rights for ESICM, as described in section 3. *ESICM Membership Benefits*.
5. This offer is valid from 1st January 2013 to 31st December 2013 and will be automatically renewed on the anniversary date. Collaboration can be ended with a written statement to the other party three months before the anniversary date.

3. ESICM Membership Benefits

This reduced membership fee will contain all of the major advantages of regular ESICM membership. These rights will include:

1. Access to the electronic version of the journal Intensive Care Medicine through the ESICM and/or ICM website. The paper version can be obtained with the payment of a supplementary optional upgrade fee, identical to the option provided to other ESICM members.
2. Discounted rates (50%) on Article Processing Charges for Intensive Care Medicine Experimental (ICMex), the new Open Access Journal focused on experimental research that pertains to intensive care medicine
3. Free access to the most recent version of the web-based Patient-Centered Acute Care Training (PACT) learning programme.
4. Free access to all Flash conferences, podcasts and e-posters on the ESICM website.
5. Discounted rates to EDIC board exams and the ESICM Annual Congress
6. Discounted rates to all scientific meetings and congresses endorsed by ESICM worldwide.
7. Ability to participate in the scientific activities of ESICM.
8. Ability to participate in the Educational activities: post-graduate courses, training activities, European Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine (EDIC).
9. Ability to apply for ESICM research grants and travel awards
10. Access to ESICM electronic communications and full access to functionalities on the ESICM website.
11. Ability to join ESPNIC (European Society of Paediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care) with the payment of a supplementary optional upgrade fee, identical to the option provided to other ESICM members.

4. Improving Communication Channels between the two Organisations

1. ESICM will promote requested events (provided that there is no competing event run by ESICM within the same country and within a time period of six weeks before or six weeks after the event) through their social media channels (i.e.

Facebook, Twitter, etc.) and will provide direct links to JSICM's website or relevant webpages.

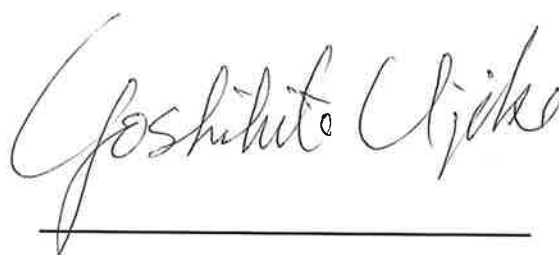
2. JSICM will provide a direct link from the JSICM homepage to the ESICM website.
3. JSICM will facilitate the delivery of ESICM electronic mails (eBlasts), upon request, to all JSICM members.
4. ESICM on a reciprocal basis will distribute flyers (max. size A4) at their annual congress to advertise forthcoming events of JSICM

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JSICM President Signatory



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