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# EBMT Expands Educational Initiatives to Advance Excellence in HCT and Cellular Therapy

The EBMT has established a dedicated **Education Department**, reinforcing our commitment to aligning with EBMT's educational policy and goals set forth by the Scientific Council. This initiative underscores our dedication to fostering continuous

learning, addressing knowledge gaps, promoting best practices, and encouraging global collaboration, all in support of EBMT's long-term educational vision.

#### **Key Educational Initiatives**

#### **Development of a Core Curriculum & EBMT Exam**

A top priority for EBMT's education strategy is the development of a structured core curriculum. As part of this effort, the **EBMT Exam** will be held at the 51<sup>st</sup> edition of the Annual Meeting in Florence, providing healthcare professionals with an invaluable opportunity to validate their expertise and stay at the forefront of advancements in Haematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT) and Cellular Therapy (CT).

To support candidates, we have introduced the **Online EBMT Exam Preparatory Course**, a comprehensive program designed to equip healthcare professionals with the essential knowledge and skills required for both the exam and clinical excellence. This dynamic course integrates authoritative resources and practical insights, ensuring a robust preparation experience.

#### **Commitment to Expanding Educational Resources and Collaborations**

We remain committed to providing high-quality educational resources to our growing community. We continue to strengthen collaborations with clinical, basic, and translational societies, thereby expanding educational opportunities and fostering knowledge-sharing.

Through the dedicated efforts of over 200 leading experts in HCT and CT, the <u>FBMT</u> <u>Handbook</u> has undergone a comprehensive revision. This essential educational resource continues to serve transplant physicians worldwide, reflecting the latest advances and best practices in the field. The updated edition is available as an <u>open access digital PDF</u>, ensuring broad and equitable access to this invaluable knowledge base.

In line with this, the latest edition of the "Indications for Haematopoietic Cell Transplantation for Haematological Diseases, Solid Tumours, and Immune Disorders: Current Practice in Europe" will be launched in 2025. This publication remains a cornerstone reference for clinical decision-making in the field.

#### **Practice Harmonisation & Guidelines Committee Workshops**

The first edition of the Practice Harmonisation and Guidelines Committee Workshops in September 2023 successfully hosted five workshops from the CMWP, CTIWP, ADWP, and IDWP, leading to seven published recommendations and guidelines. The second edition in September 2024 in Lille continued this success with six workshops from the CMWP, CTIWP, TCWP, ADWP; LWP and ALWP and the Nurses Group. Four guidelines and recommendations have been published, with four more forthcoming, all to be accessible via open access at the EBMT educational library. We look forward to the third edition in September 2025, as these workshops continue to provide recommendations, guidelines, and best practices in the field.

#### Major Educational Meetings and Highlights from 2024

Throughout 2024, EBMT organised a series of high-quality educational meetings, demonstrating its commitment to advancing knowledge and best practices in the field, including:

- The <u>50th Annual Meeting of the EBMT</u> in Glasgow: A milestone event celebrating EBMT's **50th Anniversary**, bringing together over 5,000 healthcare professionals to advance research, education, and clinical practice in HCT and CT.
- <u>9th ITCTC</u> in Barcelona: Featuring both adult and paediatric tracks, this classic meeting provided critical reviews of key developments in HCT, CT strategies and gene therapy.
- **EBMT-EHA 6th European CAR T-cell Meeting in Valencia:** Covering deep science, translational research, clinical advancements and developments in CAR-T therapies.
- 3rd Joint ASTCT+EBMT Basic and Translational Scientific Meeting in Washington: A focused 2.5-day conference with a select group of 100 attendees, emphasizing cutting-edge, unpublished, and innovative science in the field.
- Working Parties Educational Meetings: The IEWP Spring School on Cellular
  Therapy for Inborn Errors of Immunity and Haematopoiesis and the IEWP
  meeting in Helsinki, the SAAWP and HWP joint meeting in Genova on Cellular
  Therapies In Non-Malignant Haematology, the ADWP and CTIWP joint meeting
  in Milan on Immunology and Cellular Therapies in Autoimmune Diseases, the
  LWP in Rotterdam, the IDWP in Geneve, the CMWP in Warsaw, the joint PDWP

and TCWP meeting in Malaga on Complications post CAR-T Cell Therapy in Paediatric and Adult Patients and the  $16^{\rm th}$  educational meeting of the Nurses Group meeting in Naples.

## **EBMT Travel Grant Programme: Promoting Inclusivity and Access to Education**

EBMT announced the expansion of the EBMT Travel Grant Programme, aimed at enhancing participation in our educational meetings. This initiative fosters inclusivity by providing outreach grants for physicians and nurses, as well as financial support for trainees and junior faculty. By reducing financial barriers and amplifying diverse voices, we aim to enrich the educational experience for all participants.

#### The Open Access EBMT Library

The <u>Open Access EBMT Library</u> serves as a vital online educational resource, offering updated content in various formats such as panel discussions, Q&A sessions, recorded presentations, and downloadable slides from recent EBMT educational meetings. It also provides access to EBMT Handbooks, recommended publications, and guidelines, ensuring that professionals have the latest evidence-based knowledge readily available.

#### **Expanding Online Educational Offerings**

To further extend educational portfolio, EBMT is developing diverse online learning formats, including **e-courses**, such as the Chimera e-course designed by trainees for trainees, EBMT Registry trainings, podcasts and webinars, featuring contributions from JACIE, the PDWP, the Pharmacists Committee, and the EBMT Paediatric Nursing Committee. To learn more, visit the e-learning webpage.

EBMT remains committed to advancing education, fostering collaboration, and providing healthcare professionals with the knowledge and resources necessary for excellence in HCT and CT.

Stay tuned for more updates as we continue to grow and innovate in 2025 and beyond!

View the EBMT Educational Meetings 2024