



# Nurses Group Research Committee

## Update and future perspectives

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## WHO ARE WE?

The Research Committee is a group of clinical nurse specialists, who are combining their clinical work with research. They develop and support research projects, promote awareness of research activities, and facilitate active participation in research by EBMT-Nurses Group members. The Research Committee has established itself with a number of projects, presentations, and publications.



#### Annika Kisch

**RN, PhD, Ass.Prof.**  
Is the current chair of Nurses Group Research Committee. Works in nursing research, development and education at Lund University Hospital, in Sweden. Also works in the clinic with stem cell donors. She is an Assoc. Prof. at Lund University, Department of Health Sciences. She is member of Nurses Group Committee EBMT since 2018.

#### Isabel Salcedo

**RN,MPH,Phd**  
She works as a quality manager, research and continues development coordinator at Puerta de Hierro University Hospital in Madrid. Associate lecturer at Nursing Department of UAM university (Madrid).

#### Simona Calza

**RN, MSn, Phd**  
She is responsible for Quality, Risk Management, Education and Research in Department of Haematology and Oncology of IRCCS Istituto Gianina Gaslini. She is a member of RC since 2008. She has a PhD in Nursing, and is lecturer in pediatric nursing.

#### Sabine Valenta

**RN, Phd**  
As a clinical nurse specialist and a postdoc from Basel (Switzerland), she is working in field of alloSCT. Her research and clinical work focus on the patients' and caregivers' self-management support and the implementation of integrated eHealth-applications.

#### Lynn Leppla

**RN, Phd**  
Works clinically as an APN in the alloSCT setting and is also involved in various research projects with special attention to self-management and behavioral support interventions as well as restructuring care delivery. She is part of the EBMT RC since May 2021.

#### Otilia Oana Niculita

**RN, PGCE,PhD,Ass.Prof.**  
Works as healthcare director in Fundeni Clinical Institute, Bucharest, Romania. She is the head-nurse of the BMT Pediatric Unit and Hematology-Oncology Pediatric Dept. She is also assistant at Nursing Dept. of Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy. She is junior member since 2022.

#### Brian Piepenbroek

Joined EBMT in 2019 as Data Manager for the Severe Aplastic Anaemia Working Party (SAAWP) and also for the Nurses Group (NG) in 2020. In 2021, he was promoted to Study Coordinator for both the SAAWP and the NG and currently holds this position.

## CURRENT Research PROJECTS and their status

Study	PI	Type	Main topic	Status
<b>Skin toxicity in pediatric HSCT patients</b>	Mihaela Hartmann, NG Paediatric Committee	Delphi survey	To provide expert recommendations based on available evidence and guidelines from the adult transplant setting for the assessment, prevention and treatment of conditioning related skin toxicity in pediatric HSCT patients	Proposal under revision
<b>Cutaneous Chronic GvHD Nursing Skin Care</b>	Jacqui Stringer	Survey	Current practice of cutaneous cGvHD management within EBMT member centers, including level of access to ECP as a supportive therapy	Manuscript in writing
<b>Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products (ATMP) Training Needs</b>	Michelle Kenyon, John Murray	Survey	Determine the ATMPs (IEC / CAR-T therapy) training needs for nurses working in centers across Europe currently delivering or aiming to deliver ATMPs	Manuscript in writing
<b>Hydration post-HSCT</b>	Jantina Kortleve	Survey	Inform clinical guidelines and protocols on hydration after auto-SCT based on current practices in EBMT centers	Manuscript submitted
<b>Nutritional care in patients undergoing hematopoietic stem cell transplantation</b>	Paolo Pedrazzoli	Roadmap article	By defining a roadmap that identifies the critical issue fields, it will be possible to develop clinical algorithms, based on scientific evidence and shared among HSCT centres, to counteract risk factors of malnutrition and, thus, maximize transplant outcomes.	Manuscript submitted

## Latest Publications

Authors	Year	Type	Title	Journal
Klingen Gjørde L, Eeltink C, Stringer J, et al.	2022	Survey	Sexual function of adult long-term survivors and their partners after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation in Europe (S-FAST): a study from the Transplant Complications Working Party and Nurses Group of the EBMT	Bone Marrow Transplant.
Hutt D, Arjona ET, Mekelenkamp H, et al.	2022	Survey	Safe transfer of pediatric patients from hematopoietic stem cell transplant unit into the pediatric intensive care unit: views of nurses and physicians.	Bone Marrow Transplant

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