WHO WE ARE
We are a multi-professional organisation dedicated to the promotion of the health of children with special regard to the gastrointestinal tract, the liver and nutritional status. Our members include clinicians, scientists, trainees, and allied health professionals.

WHAT WE DO
• Provide representation for professionals involved in paediatric gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition
• Promote basic, translational and clinical science
• Lobby for stronger support of research
• Offer the highest standards of education to our members and other involved professionals
• Focus attention on new investigators and trainees to ensure they are supported and encouraged
• Serve as a source of competent advice for governments, international agencies, and relevant stakeholders

HOW WE DO IT
We achieve the above by knowledge creation, the dissemination of science based information, the promotion of best practice in the delivery of care, and the provision of high quality education for paediatric gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition professionals in Europe and beyond.

HOW TO JOIN US
For information on different membership types and application procedure please visit our website www.espghan.org/home/join.us or contact the ESPGHAN Office via office@espghan.org.

ABOUT ESPGHAN

ESPGHAN MONOTHEMATIC CONFERENCE ON THE OESOPHAGUS: FROM MALFORMATION TO MOTILITY
OCTOBER 03–04, 2019
LILLE, FRANCE

Date: October 03–04, 2019
Time Slot: Thursday, 10:00 – Friday, 15:15
Location: Faculty of medicine, University of Lille
Target Audience: Pediatric Gastroenterologist, Allied Health professional as well as any specialist (basic scientist, pediatric surgeon) dealing with oesophageal diseases in children.
Course director: Prof. Dr Frédéric Gottrand

Faculty:
Qasim Aziz (UK)
Marc Benninga (the Netherlands)
Luigi Dall’Oglio (Italy)
Paolo De Coppi (UK)
Pascal de Santa Barbara (France)
Audrey Lecouffe (France)
Alexandra Papadopoulou (Greece)
Guillaume Piessen (France)
Nathalie Rommel (Belgium)
Daniel Sifrim (UK)
Andrea Smout (the Netherlands)
Nikhil Thapar (UK)
Michiel van Wijk (the Netherlands)
Myriam van Winckel (Belgium)
Yvan Vandenplas (Belgium)
Rene Wijnen (the Netherlands)

Application Deadline:
July 23, 2019 - Please apply online and upload the following documents: Short CV and motivation letter.

Costs and registration:
Participants are expected to pay their own travel and to pay a nominal registration fee of EUR 100 for the conference. ESPGHAN will cover a maximum of 1 night’s accommodation, catering as well as social activities during the meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at office@espghan.org should you have any questions or queries.

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Programme

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There is an increasing interest for oesophageal diseases in children, which include rare diseases like oesophageal atresia and achalasia and the emerging burden of eosinophilic oesophagitis, as well as frequent pathologies or symptoms such as GERD, belching and feeding difficulties. There have been recent developments in the understanding of these diseases and assessment of their natural story and outcome, as well as treatment. This conference will address the more recent progresses in motility, surgery, pathophysiology and endoscopy. It will associate outstanding speakers in the field, in a multidisciplinary approach, including expert in motility, endoscopy, adult surgeon and GI, speech therapist, pediatric surgeon, and basic scientists.

This conference is opened to pedGI, Allied Health professional as well as any specialist (basic scientist, pediatric surgeon) involved in these pathologies.

Looking forward to welcoming you all in Lille for this 1st edition of the monothematic conference on the oesophagus!

Prof. Dr Frédéric Gottrand

Preliminary Programme

**Arrival Day: Wednesday, October 2, 2019**
19:00 Welcome reception

**Day 1: Thursday, October 03, 2019**
09:00–10:00 Arrivals and registration
10:00–10:30 Molecular Embryology of the esophagus
   Pascal de Santa Barbara (Montpellier, France)
10:30–11:00 Pathophysiology and genetics of esophageal motility disorders
   Nikhil Thapar (London, UK)
11:00–11:30 Coffee break
11:30–12:00 Long-term outcome of children operated at birth for Esophageal atresia
   Frederic Gottrand (Lille, France)
12:30–13:00 Achalasia in children, symptomatology, diagnosis, treatment and long-term follow up
   Marc Benninga (Amsterdam, the Netherlands)
13:00–14:00 Lunch
14:00–14:30 How to explore esophageal function?
   Michiel van Wijk (Amsterdam, the Netherlands)
15:00–15:30 What is new in Gastroesophageal reflux disease?
   Daniel Sifrim (London, UK)
15:30–16:00 Coffee break
16:00–16:30 New endoscopic techniques for treating esophageal diseases
   Luigi D’Alloglio (Rome, Italy)
16:30–17:00 Esophageal surgery, cure or harmful?
   René Wijnen (Rotterdam, the Netherlands)
18:00 Visit of old city of Lille
20:30 Dinner

**Day 2: Friday, October 04, 2019**
09:00–09:30 New insights in eosinophilic esophagitis
   Alexandra Papadopoulou (Athens, Greece)
09:30–10:00 Mechanism of early esophageal cancer development: are children a high-risk population?
   Guillaume Piessen (Lille, France)
10:00–10:30 Coffee break
10:30–11:00 Hiccups, belching and rumination, new therapeutic approaches
   Andre Smout (Amsterdam, the Netherlands)
11:00–11:30 How practically to deal with a feeding difficulty in children?
   Audrey Lecoufle (Lille, France)
11:30–12:00 Tissue engineering of the esophagus
   Paolo De Coppi (London, UK)
12:00–13:00 Lunch
13:00–13:30 Sensations in the esophagus and the brain (fMRI)
   Qasim Aziz (London, UK)
13:30–14:00 Reflux and feeding in the neurologically impaired patient
   Myriam Van Winckel (Gent, Belgium)
14:00–14:30 Diseases of the Upper esophageal sphincter: videography and vomiting in healthy and neurologically impaired children
   Nathalie Rommel (Leuven, Belgium)
14:30–15:00 Respiration problems and reflux are they associated?
   Yvan Vanderplas (Brussels, Belgium)
15:00–15:15 Concluding remarks, end of the conference

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