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ECCO **ECCO – the European CanCER Organisation:** Through its 24 Member Societies – representing over 50,000 professionals – ECCO is the only multidisciplinary organisation that connects and responds to all stakeholders in oncology Europe-wide.

ECCO is a non-profit association that exists to uphold the right of all European cancer patients to the best possible treatment and care, promote interaction between all organisations involved in cancer research, education, treatment and care at the European level. It does this by creating awareness of patients' needs and wishes, encouraging progressive thinking in cancer policy, training and education and promoting European cancer research through the organisation of international multidisciplinary meetings.

ECCO **ECCO Congresses and Conferences:** ECCO advances European cancer research and its application through the organisation of international multidisciplinary meetings including the premier European cancer meetings: the joint ECCO–ESMO Multidisciplinary Congresses.

In addition to the joint ECCO–ESMO Congresses, ECCO organises meetings of excellence on behalf of some of its Member Organisations. To heighten quality, attendance and exposure, ECCO is committed to supporting these educational opportunities through the provision of additional organisational, communication and marketing efforts.

ECCO **ECCO Public Affairs:** ECCO is uniquely positioned to provide the voice of consensus of the European oncology professionals and engage with policymakers to ensure that cancer stays at the top of the EU health and research agenda.

Providing a rallying point for Europe's community of oncology professionals, ECCO's Public Affairs arm engages in oncopolicy: planned and sustained interaction with EU policymakers as well as third-party stakeholders to anticipate and proactively shape EU cancer health and research policy.

ECCO **ECCO Education:** ECCO Education organises and drives educational initiatives of cross discipline appeal to promote multidisciplinary and meet the scientific, educational and professional needs of oncology specialists.

ECCO is dedicated to advancing education through the implementation and development of Accreditation Council of Oncology in Europe (ACOE) accredited CME opportunities such as the ECCO *Case Study of the Month* series and the ECCO *e-seminars*. ECCO Education also provides a broad range of other resources including an e-programme library cataloguing exciting e-learning opportunities offered by ECCO's Member Organisations.

ECCO **Publications:** ECCO disseminates scientific advancement, knowledge and insight through its official publication the *European Journal of Cancer* (EJC).

ECCO also publishes EJC News, Correspondence and Pick of the Papers on its website and supports the open access oncology journal *ecancermedicalsecience.com* – of which ECCO is founding partner.

ECCO **ECCO Patient Information:** Following the philosophy that every cancer patient deserves the best, ECCO supports and promotes the activities of patient advocates and organisations to better respond to patients' needs and wishes.

ECCO's Patient Information section offers a broad selection of innovative, reliable, and up-to-date information on cancer related issues collated to meet the needs of patient advocates and organisations including: *Spotlight on: in the news* features and commentary, *Advocates in action* reports and the *Presentations and Patients* section.

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