

ISSCD Members' Newsletter

September 2024

Message from the President



The ICDS held in Sheffield this month was a great success drawing together the community of clinicians, scientists, advocacy groups and industry focused on advancing the understanding and management of celiac disease. The ISSCD Board congratulate the Sheffield ICDS organising team including David Sanders, Marios Hadjivassiliou, Nigel Hoggard, and Nick Trott.

The ISSCD Board shared its vision with members during a dedicated hour long session. ISSCD has become more active and engaging while doubling its global membership to more than 700 since the ICDS in Sorrento, 2022. A

highlight of ICDS for me was to hear directly from members their positive feedback on the new developments at ISSCD.

I left ICDS Sheffield convinced that high quality research led by members of ISSCD and our partners in patient groups and industry will soon markedly reshape the management of celiac disease. I also reflected the speed of this change is dependent on how well we can effectively advocate for change together.

Bob

Dr Robert P Anderson, President (Queensland, Australia)

ISSCD Board members



At the ISSCD General Assembly (GA), 28 August, six Board members stood for re-election, alongside two new nominees for the Board. All were elected by majority vote, please visit the [ISSCD website](#) to meet the Board including the new Board members, Govind Makharia (India) and Jernej Dolinsek (Slovenia). Iris Jonkers was elected President Elect, Bob Anderson re-elected as President and Fabiana Zingone will act as Treasurer and Elena Verdu will complete a second term as Secretary. A big thank you to everyone who attended the GA

and participated in the voting. We are very excited as to how the future is looking for ISSCD!

ICDS Sheffield 2024



The 20th International Coeliac Disease Symposium, held in Sheffield, was a huge success. There was a fantastic turnout to participate in a busy and exciting programme with great opportunities for networking.

The ICDS also provided a platform for honouring the founding members of ISSCD, hosting many significant satellite meetings including those of the newly formed ISSCD specialist committees; [DIRECTIONS](#), [ICDS](#) and the [LASSCD](#), and there was a session entitled B4CeD, to address early events in childhood leading to the development of celiac disease.

At the close of the event, one final symposium took place, "Global Celiac Disease" hosted by the Strategic Alliance between the ESSCD, ISSCD and SSCD. A manuscript will be drafted and shared in due course. We give thanks to Takeda for supporting the event and bringing everyone together.

Read the President's full reflection on ICDS Sheffield, on the [ISSCD website](#).

New ISSCD logo



The ICDS Sheffield was also a great opportunity to launch the ISSCD's new logo and branded merchandise. Thanks to Iris Jonkers for leading on the development of a new logo and to those of you who have already submitted your photos wearing your logo with pride; Elena Verdu and her team hiking in the Niagara escarpment Bruce trails with McMaster University in the background. **Don't forget to send in your photos to info@isscd-global.org**

ISSCD and Celiac Disease Foundation, USA, Global Research Fellowship, \$300k USD



We received six applications to this call, each was reviewed by three peer reviewers, members of ISSCD. All proposals were considered suitable funding however taking into consideration individual scores and comments, the grant was awarded to Dr Fleur du Pre. Big congratulations to Fleur on behalf of the board!

We would like to express our appreciation to all the applicants who took the time to prepare their submissions and we strongly encourage them to apply again in the future. We also want to extend our sincere gratitude to the peer reviewers and wish Fleur all the very best in the delivery of her research.

M-in-M Programme



The second call for applications to the ISSCD's M-in-M programme opened at the beginning of this year. All applications were peer reviewed and eight grants have subsequently been awarded, further information can be found on the [ISSCD website](#).

A third call for applicants will be opening this November and further information will be provided in the next e-newsletter to members, on the ISSCD website and our social media channels. Please spread the word!

The M-in-M Programme is managed and administered by ISSCD and made possible by an unrestricted grant from Takeda Development Center Americas Inc.

Events to look out for...



There are several events taking place over the coming months that may be of interest to you:

- [Prolamin Working Group, Darmstadt, 26-28 September \(PWG members and invited guests\)](#)
- [UEG Week, Vienna, 12-15 October](#)
- [Beyond Celiac Research Summit, Philadelphia, 26 October](#)
- [The XII AIC 2024 Scientific Congress, Milan, 8 November](#)
- [AOECS General Assembly. Madrid 15-17 November \(AOECS members only\)](#)
- [Symposium of the LASSCD, Buenos Aires, 20-21 November](#)

Share your news and reach a global audience



We have been on TwitterX since ICDS Sorrento, 2022 and you can now also find us on [LinkedIn](#) so we can reach a wider audience.

If you or a colleague have something to celebrate, have an outstanding research publication you'd like us to shout about or information about an event or anything else that will be of interest to the scientific and professional celiac community, please get in touch via the [Contact Us form](#). We would be happy to spread the news! All requests must be approved by the ISSCD Board.

ISSCD Membership



Membership of ISSCD is open to all professionals working in the field of celiac disease and gluten-mediated human disease and are willing to support the aims of the ISSCD. Membership continues to remain **FREE** of charge. Please encourage your colleagues to join by completing the online [application form](#). Membership has the benefit of being part of a truly global community and access to the ISSCD's funding streams and membership of its specialist committees.

It was fantastic to see so many new faces at the ICDS in Sheffield and for you to sign up as new members of ISSCD. Welcome to a truly collaborative global network.

Voluntary donations



As a not for profit organisation, the ISSCD welcomes donations from those who are able.

If you have the capacity to donate money to support the work of the ISSCD, please visit the society's [partnered donation platform](#).

All donations are gratefully received, thank you.