

Histiocyte Society Fact Sheet



The Histiocyte Society is a nonprofit organization with more than 250 physicians and scientists from around the world committed to improving the lives of patients with histiocytic disorders by conducting clinical and laboratory research into the causes and treatment of this disease. Members of the organization are considered to be the worldwide leaders in understanding and treating histiocytic disorders.

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THE FOUNDING OF THE HISTIOCYTE SOCIETY

On May 16, 1985, an historical international workshop convened in Philadelphia, initiated by Dr. Giulio D'Angio from the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, and led to the foundation of the Histiocyte Society. Participants numbered 15 at this inaugural meeting; membership has subsequently grown to approximately 250 scientists, physicians and nurses. This international society has provided a forum for the exchange of information and a framework for organized activities of fundamental importance.

OUR MISSION

To advance knowledge about and improve outcomes for patients with histiocytic disorders through clinical and basic research and education

OUR VISION

To be the worldwide leaders in understanding histiocytic disorders and improving outcomes

GOALS

In the fight to improve outcomes for patients with histiocytic disorders, our organization has several important goals:

- To improve the state of knowledge of the histiocytic disorders and improve the welfare of patients with these disorders;
- To promote, facilitate and carry out research in histiocytic disorders;
- To facilitate and provide a forum for health care professionals for effective communication concerning these aims;
- To promote education and to educate physicians, scientists and others in matters related to the histiocytic disorders;
- To advise lay organizations in educational and other matters concerning the histiocytic disorders;
- To collaborate with organizations that have common goals.

ADVANCING TREATMENT

Through extensive research and collaboration, the Histiocyte Society has made numerous significant strides in the fight against histiocytic disorders. The Society has established scientific standards for histiocytic disorders that are accepted worldwide; they include:

- A common language of uniform disease classification;
- Standardized diagnostic criteria;
- Guidelines for patient evaluation and follow-up

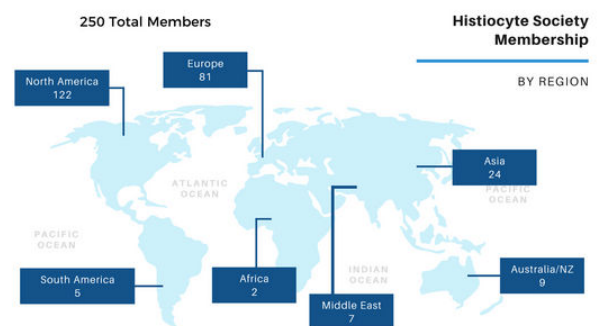
BUILDING KNOWLEDGE

The Histiocyte Society hosts an annual scientific meeting in different locations around the world. Attendance is open to members of the Society as well as other parties working in the field of histiocytic disorders and related studies. Presentations include the results of completed research studies, as well as proposals for new studies. This interactive forum allows the best and brightest minds in the histiocytosis community to share the most progressive information and to shape the future of research.

Beyond the prolific exchanges that occur during the meeting, presenters work collectively to extend their reach by publishing subsequent articles and manuscripts in scientific journals worldwide.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership to the Histiocyte Society is open to all health care professionals who are active in patient care, education or research in the histiocytic disorders. Current membership includes approximately 250 physicians, scientists and nurses from around the world.



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