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Requirements for joining the ERN-LUNG SARC Core Network

ERN-LUNG comprises 10 Core Networks (CNs), each responsible for developing disease-specific action plans aligned with the network's overall strategy. Each CN defines minimum requirements for patient volume, multidisciplinary team composition, infrastructure, and clinical procedures.

Interested in joining the ERN-LUNG SARC Core Network?

Contact the network coordination team at info@ern-lung.eu for information on the application process and to connect with network members.



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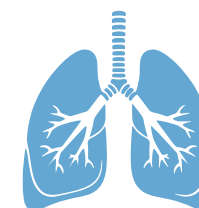
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ERN-LUNG Core Network: Sarcoidosis (SARC)



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Indicator	Minimum Number required/HCP/year (Adults)
TOTAL patients (visisted, treated, or followed) per year	500*
NEW patients per year	100*
Key diagnostic procedures per year (EBUS-TBNA)	>50*

Clinical Outcome Measures

Progression free survival
 Rate of respiratory hospitalization
 HRCT findings
 Exercise test (6 min walk)
 PROMs (Patient Reported Outcome Measures) EuroQoL
 Pulmonary function at rest (FVC, FEV1, DLCO)
 Death (% patients)
 Lung transplant (% patients)
 Oxygen therapy (% of patients)
 Pulmonary hypertension screening (echocardiography)
 Pulmonary hypertension diagnosis (right heart catheterization)
 Number of cases evaluated by multidisciplinary discussion (MDD)
 Number of patients enrolled in clinical trials
 Number of patients without drug treatment

Research Criteria

Participation into clinical trials on sarcoidosis or, as alternative, investigators-driven studies	Optional
Publications on sarcoidosis in the last 5 years (original articles, reviews, guidelines, or abstracts are accepted)	Mandatory

Educational Criteria

Participation in conferences and educational activities on sarcoidosis on regular basis	Mandatory
Collaboration with patients' organizations for advocacy, educational activities, patients centred research projects	Mandatory

*The minimum number of patients and procedures is indicative only and will be separately evaluated taking into consideration country population and specific epidemiology.

Core Multidisciplinary Team

- Single entry point (contact person/team for patients)
- Specialists network (within or cooperating with the HCP) consisting of the following members:
 - ✓ Cardiologist
 - ✓ Neurologist
 - ✓ Dermatologist
 - ✓ Ophthalmologist
 - ✓ Rheumatologist or Immunologist
- Sarcoidosis board for a second opinion to non-ERN centers



ERN-LUNG Actions

We are developing a map of sarcoidosis specific registries and biobanks. We closely work with Sarcoidosis (WASOG/AASOG) and Respiratory (ERS/ATS) Societies to generate/endorse consensus statements and guidelines on sarcoidosis. We are also in the process of setting up our Clinical Trials Platform (CTN) to provide an overview of ongoing clinical trials in Europe and recruiting centers. We started a network for overarching -omics research in severe Sarcoidosis (SARCOIDOMICS) in cooperation with the ERS. The Eurosarcoidosis foundation financially support our CN.

Where are our SARC member institutions located?



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 Affiliated Partner
 Supporting Partner

