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Invitation to the Press

Early Diagnosis in Children

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Allergic diseases are increasing at epidemic speed in Europe and the trend continues upwards: *1 child in 4 is allergic today. And tomorrow?*

Faced with these alarming data, the EAACI (European Academy of Allergology and Clinical Immunology) and its Brussels Office are developing a campaign on "*early diagnosis*" in children, directed to the general practitioners and paediatricians and to the general public.

It is of high importance that the children at risk are correctly and early diagnosed, enabling them to be correctly treated. The campaign will be conducted in synergy with EFA (European Federation of Allergy and Airways Diseases Patients Associations).

***You are cordially invited to attend
the EAACI Special Event***

***free registration for journalists / media representatives
press kits available after the sessions***

Based on the new Statement from the EAACI Paediatric Section "Allergy Testing in Children : Why, Who, When and How ?", published in Allergy, the campaign will be translated by the national partners in all EU countries.



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EAACI Special Event

Early Diagnosis in Children

Sunday 8 June 2003 – Room 353, Level 3
EAACI 2003, Paris, Palais des Congrès

EAACI Paediatric Session 12.30 – 14.00

Chairmen:

Ph. Eigenmann, Switzerland
Per Grinsted, Denmark

1. Early sensitisation and development of allergic diseases.
F. Rancé, France
2. Genetic and environmental factors as determinants for the atopic march.
U. Wahn, Germany
3. Risk factors and predictors for developments and persistence of allergic diseases.
M. Wickman, Sweden
4. Allergy Testing in Children. Indications and methods.
(Statement of EAACI Paediatric Section)
A. Høst, Denmark
5. Prevention and early treatment of allergic diseases.
A. Muraro, Italy

Early Diagnosis in Europe 14.00 – 15.15

Chairman:

U. Wahn, EAACI

1. Allergy Testing in Children: Why, Who, When and How ?
(Statement of EAACI Paediatric Section)
A. Høst, President of EAACI Paediatric section
2. WHO/EURO activities in the area of Allergy and Environment in Childhood
L. Nemer, WHO Europe
3. Early diagnosis, a patient's right
E. Valovirta, EFA
4. The EAACI Campaign "Early Diagnosis in Children"
U. Wahn, EAACI

Allergy care starts with early diagnosis



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Today 1 child in 4 is allergic.  Identify who.

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