Early Diagnosis in Children

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.
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

   - M. Wickman, Sweden

   (Statement of EAACI Paediatric Section)
   - A. Høst, Denmark

   - A. Muraro, Italy

**Early Diagnosis in Europe**
14.00 – 15.15

Chairman:
- U. Wahn, EAACI

   (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

Today 1 child in 4 is allergic. Identify who.