Ten years since SWAAC ELSO started from India. Marked progress was achieved in the field of ECLS in the region over this time. Thanks to ELSO and dedicated healthcare professionals in the field of critical care, anesthesia and cardiology who are doing large efforts to save lives in this very special community which is different and diverse in its cultural and economic aspects. Today a new move with the first newsletter coming from SWAAC ELSO, we will update you with our activities including training courses, committee activities and senior clinical tips and tricks.

Enjoy !

Akram Abdelbary

SWAAC ELSO President
Update on Committees/Subcommittees

SWAAC ELSO has elected its next Chair: Dr. Poonam Malhotra. We have a new SWAAC ELSO Steering Committee, with several new members joining. Membership is growing: new chairmen of subcommittees have been elected recently for a new term.

The Following is the Updated SWAAC ELSO Steering Group Committee Members:

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Please feel free to contact any of the members above for any issues relating to SWAAC ELSO. You can find a copy of the updated bylaws with details of the different committees and subcommittees of SWAAC ELSO on ELSO AND SWAAC ELSO website:

- [https://www.elso.org/AboutUs/Chapters/SouthWestAsiaan dAfrica.aspx](https://www.elso.org/AboutUs/Chapters/SouthWestAsiaandAfrica.aspx)
- [www.swaacelseo.com](http://www.swaacelseo.com)
Upcoming SWAAC ELSO Courses/Workshops

- EXTRACORPOREAL MEMBRANE OXYGENATION (ECMO) HANDS-ON WORKSHOP. Emirates Critical Care Conference (ECCC) 13 & 14 May 2022 - Dubai, UAE. [www.ECCC-Dubai.com](http://www.ECCC-Dubai.com)

- PEDIATRIC EXTRACORPOREAL LIFE SUPPORT (ECLS) WORKSHOP. 15th May 2022 - Dubai, UAE. [www.ECCC-Dubai.com](http://www.ECCC-Dubai.com)

- Simulation in Ecmo. Aiims Hospital. New Delhi. India. 19th June 2022. Contact Email: thesimulationsociety@gmail.com

- 12th ECMO training course. ECMO society of India. Mumbai. India. Four days Interactive learning sessions On ECMO. 9 – 12TH JUNE 2022. For details contact Email: ecmosocietyofindia@hotmail.com Web: [www.ecmosocietyofindia.com](http://www.ecmosocietyofindia.com)

- Fortis Hospital. Gurgaon INDIA. 6th ELSO Certified Comprehensive Adult ECMO Course. 27th - 30th July 2022. sandeep.dewan@enexticu.com - [www.ENEXTICU.com](http://www.ENEXTICU.com)

- 10th ECLS training course. Al-Adan Hospital - Kuwait 20-22th June 2022. Contact Website: [http://ecmocenterkw.com](http://ecmocenterkw.com)

- VV ECMO Course. Hamad international training centre – Doha, Qatar [https://hitc-tms.hamad.qa](https://hitc-tms.hamad.qa) Course dates: 10th – 11th June, 16th – 17th Sept, 7th – 8th Oct

- ECMO made easy – Egypt Upcoming Courses:
  - 7-8 May, 2022 at LRC, Cairo, Egypt
  - 25-26 August, 2022 at Hurghada, Egypt
  - 27-28 December, 2022 at LRC, Egypt

Contact details: [https://ecmoexperts.com/product/ecmo-made-easy-course/](https://ecmoexperts.com/product/ecmo-made-easy-course/)

If you have any courses or/and workshops you would like to include in the upcoming newsletter, please email h_alfoudri@hotmail.com

Upcoming SWAAC ELSO Conferences

The SWAAC ELSO Conference 2022 was hosted in Riyadh City, Saudi Arabia under the patronage of the minister of health in February. This was a 2-day hybrid event with a total number of 600 registered attendees. The conference speakers were representative of the SWAAC ELSO region and there were 12 international speakers expert in the field. Highlights of SWAAC ELSO Riyadh
Highlights on the SWAAC ELSO Riyadh, KSA:
Upcoming SWAAC ELSO Conferences

The next coming annual conferences will be as follows:

1. India - February 2023
2. Kuwait - February 2024

* The details will follow soon
Awards of excellence

We congratulate the new centres that have been awarded with ELSO’s award of Excellence in the past two years:

**Platinum Award of Excellence:**
- Riddhi Vinayak Critical Care and Cardiac Centre *Mumbai, India – 2024*

**Gold Award of Excellence:**
- King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre *Riyadh, Saudi Arabia – 2022*
- Riyadh Second Health Cluster – Ministry of Health *Riyadh, Saudi Arabia – 2022*
- Al-Adan Hospital *Kuwait city, Kuwait – 2023*

**Silver Award of Excellence:**
- The Royal Hospital National Heart Centre, Sultanate of Oman *Ghala Street, Al Ghubra, Muscat, Oman – 2024*

We look forward to more centres achieving the award in the near future.
Update on Research and Publication

A number of new publications have been released featuring the SWAAC ELSO region experience. Please see below some of the main articles that have been published in the past two years:

• Implementation of new ECMO centers during the COVID-19 pandemic: experience and results from the Middle East and India:
  o https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/s00134-021-06451-w.pdf

• Beyond Frontiers: Feasibility and Outcomes of Prolonged Veno-Venous Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation in Severe Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome:

• Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation in Pregnant Women With COVID-19:
  o https://journals.lww.com/asaiojournal/Fulltext/2022/04000/Extracorporeal_Membrane_Oxygenation_in_Pregnant.4.aspx

• Transport and Retrieval on Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO): Setup and Activities of an Immersive Transport and Retrieval on ECMO Workshop:
  o https://www.jcvaonline.com/article/S1053-0770(20)31345-8/fulltext?s=08

• Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation and lung transplantation:

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