

CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES TO SET STANDARDS AT THE EUROPEAN LEVEL

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Premise for CPG development

ALL membership-based medical societies should produce Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG) for their members.

Guidelines should define best clinical practice.

Adherence to evidence-based CPGs improves patient outcomes.



WHAT ARE CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES?

Systemically developed evidence-based statements aiming:

- 1. To assist practitioners in appropriate clinical decisionmaking (best clinical practice)
- 2. To improve quality of healthcare and outcomes for patients
- 3. To influence national policies for efficient allocation of resources and for better delivery systems.



PROVIDE THE RIGHT CARE, AT THE RICHT TIME, FOR THE RIGHT PERSON IN THE RIGHT WAY



History & Evolution of ESMO Guidelines

- ESMO first began to work on the development of guidelines in 1999 in order to help define the minimum standards of medical oncology practice for Eastern European countries.
- From 2001-2005 the ESMO Minimum Clinical Recommendations were published.
- In 2006 ESMO started to produce the ESMO Clinical Recommendations addressing a wider audience.
- In 2007 the Consensus Conference derived guidelines were established.
- Since 2010 they are called ESMO Clinical Practice Guidelines



GOOD SCIENCE THE STRUCTURE OF THE ESMO GLWG

European Society for Medical Oncology

Editorial Board

Chairman & Co - Chairman

- 2 Members
- 1 Ann. Oncology Executive
- 1 ESMO Officer

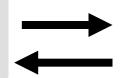


Subject Editors

- 1. Breast Cancer
- 2. Gynaecological Cancer
- 3. Haematological Malignancies
- 4. Head/Neck and Lung Cancer
- 5. Urogenital Cancer
- 6. Upper and lower GI tract cancers
- 7. Pancreato-hepatobiliary cancers
- 8. Sarcomas
- 9. Supportive Care
- 10. Rare Tumours

Reviewers

5 ESMO Faculty Members per Topic on a multidisciplinary platform





Authors

(Multidisciplinary)

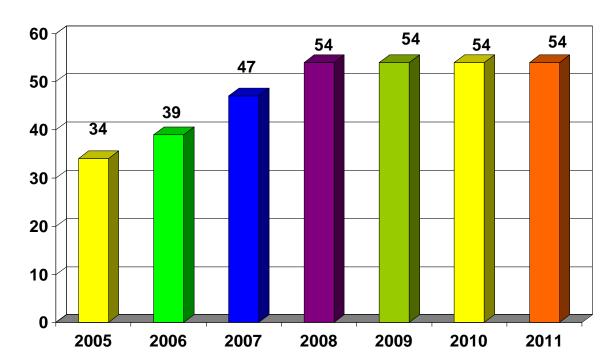


WHAT KIND OF GUIDELINES?

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THE SHORT SIZE GLs

- > Number of pages: 5 (2-13) (Pocket type version)
- Evidence based
- > Disease or topic oriented
- Available at ESMO Website
- Only those required update are published in Annals of Oncology



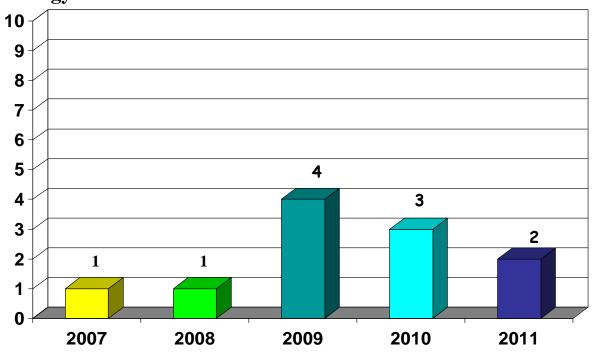


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CONSENSUS CONFERENCE DERIVED GLs

- > To address pre-selected questions to 30-40 multidisciplinary experts on specific tumour types
- **▶** 1-2 days meeting
- > Funded by ESMO or other professional networks
- **▶** Update every 2-5 years
- Published in Annals of Oncology





DISSEMINATION AND PROMOTION OF ESMO CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES



1. AVAILABLE IN AN ANNUAL SUPPLEMENT OF ANNALS OF ONCOLOGY AND ON ESMO WEBSITE



2. TRANSLATED TO 13 LANGUAGES

Bulgarian

Chinese

French

German

Greek

Italian

Japanese

Latvian

Polish

Portuguese

Romanian

Russian

Spanish

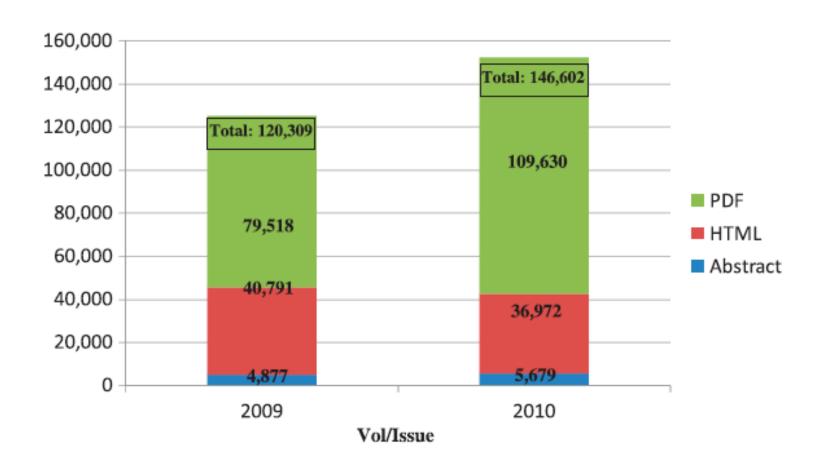


3. ORGANIZATION OF ESMO INTERACTIVE GUIDELINES SESSIONS

- Guidelines Interactive Sessions have been held during each ESMO Congress since 2002.
- The audience has increased over time up to 3200 attendees in 2010. For the 36th ESMO Congress in 2012 the GLWG will request two Guidelines Interactive Sessions.
- The audience feedback is positive:
 - >60% of the audience had consulted the ESMO CPGs in the past year
 - 79% thought the ESMO Guidelines are a helpful source of advice
 - 77% thought the ESMO Guidelines are good educational tools

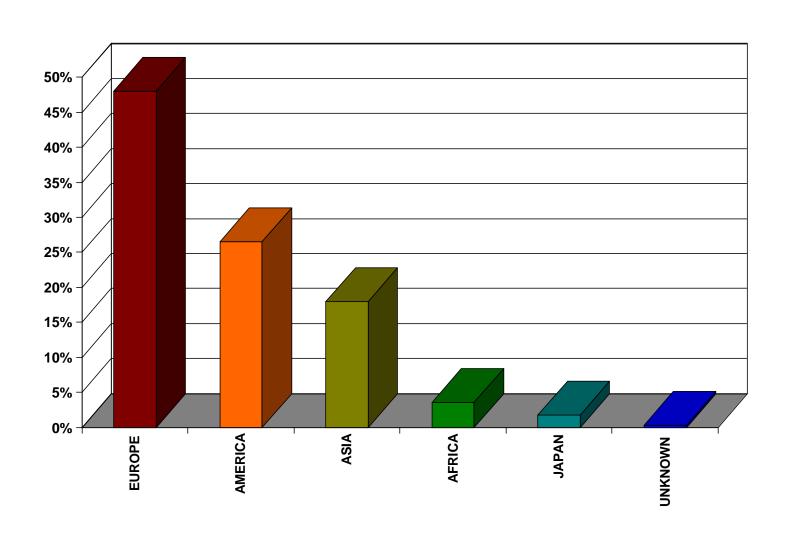


Total Usage During the First 6 Months Post-Publication (2009-2010)





Geographical breakdown of usage by continent (2008 – 2010)





Universal Geographical Breakdown of Usage (2008-2010)

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