



## EUCAST - The European Committee on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing 2005- 2006

### EUCAST General Committee

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ISC	Prof P Tukers
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### Pharmaceutical Industry and Susceptibility Testing Device Manufacturers

These groups are informed of EUCAST activity and consulted via an email network open to all companies with an interest in antimicrobial susceptibility testing

### EUCAST structure

EUCAST is a standing ESCMID committee. It was formed in 1996 and restructured at the ESCMID in Milan 2002. It consists of a General Committee, with representatives from all European countries, and is led by an ESCMID-appointed Steering Committee, which includes a Chairman, Scientific Secretary, six National Breakpoint Committee representatives and two representatives of the EUCAST General Committee. Decisions are made by the Steering Committee after consultation with the General Committee.

### EUCAST objectives

EUCAST was set up to standardise susceptibility testing in Europe so that comparable results and interpretations are produced.

### Appointments by ESCMID

- Chairholder and Scientific Secretary (3 years)
- National breakpoint committee seats on the steering committee (3 years)
- Two representatives from the EUCAST general committee from countries not otherwise represented on the steering committee (2 years).

### Appointments by the European countries

- Appoint one representative each to serve for 2 years (new or confirmed appointments in 2006)
- Apply to the ESCMID board for a position on the Steering Committee (active national committees, in committees with >2 meetings per year, are eligible)

### The EUCAST steering committee

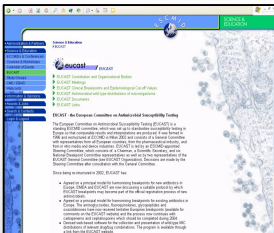
- Chairman Gunnar Kahlmeter (2008)
- Scientific secretary, Derek Brown (2008)
- BSAC (The UK), Aisling MacGowan (2008)
- CA-SFM (France), Fried Goldstein (2008)
- CRG (The Netherlands) Johan W. Mouton (2008)
- DN (Germany), Arne Rodloff (2008)
- NWGA (Norway), Martin Steinbak (2008)
- SFGA (Sweden), Inga Odlerott (2008)
- EUCAST rep 1, Olga Steblovsk (Russia), (2008)
- EUCAST rep 2, Francisco Soriano (Spain), (2008)

### Questions on EUCAST?

Visit the website [www.eucast.org](http://www.eucast.org) or e-mail [gunnar.kahlmeter@tikronnberg.se](mailto:gunnar.kahlmeter@tikronnberg.se) or [df@2i2i.com.ac.uk](mailto:df@2i2i.com.ac.uk)

### EUCAST websites

- Web site with EUCAST breakpoints, activities and documents <http://www.eucast.org>



- Web site for wild type distributions and epidemiological cut-off values (access via <http://www.eucast.org>).

Ciprofloxacin / Klebsiella pneumoniae Antimicrobial wild type distributions of microorganisms - reference database EUCAST

