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## 2021 Erdheim-Chester Disease Virtual Medical Symposium

The 2021 Erdheim-Chester Disease Virtual Medical Symposium was held online on Tuesday, November 16, 2021. During this conference, medical professionals from around the world gathered to share scientific findings, patient outcomes, and case studies related to Erdheim-Chester Disease and other histiocytic disorders.

Time was allowed for a structured question and answer session, encouraging collaboration and support across specialties and institutions.

All medical professionals interested in ECD and adult histiocytosis, especially those clinicians new to treating ECD patients were in attendance. Patients were also encouraged to invite their clinicians. Sharing this information with their care teams brought them closer to the support community fostered by the ECD Global Alliance.



These annual events are vital to continuing the work to find better treatments for ECD, as well as maintaining the connections between those researching, treating, and battling ECD.

<u>View the Meeting Agenda</u> <u>View the Meeting Recording</u>

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<u>Erdheim-Chester Disease</u> is an ultra-rare condition that is believed to be under-diagnosed. It is considered a histiocytic neoplasm (type of blood cancer). The illness is characterized by the accumulation of histiocytes, cells that normally fight infections, in tissue and organs. The tissue and organs become dense and fibrotic due to the infiltration of the histiocytes and can lead to organ failure unless a successful treatment is found.