

# Núria Guañabens

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## Statement of Nominee

I know very well how ECTS works, how it is organised, with its committees and action groups, and the importance of young researchers within the Academy, because I've been on the ECTS Board for six years. I, therefore, believe that I can keep what works well and improve those aspects that could be better.

I am a physician-scientist, a rheumatologist, so my experience in the clinical management of metabolic bone diseases gives me a good understanding of the clinical research needs in ECTS. At the same time, I have some background in translational research, which broadens my view of the needs of basic scientists and the importance of combining clinical and basic research. This is in line with ECTS's position in favour of strong collaboration between basic and clinical scientists.

I have experience in leading scientific societies, supported by my past presidencies of the Catalan Society of Rheumatology and the Spanish Society of Bone and Mineral Research. In addition, my involvement in international societies such as the ECTS and the ASBMR gives me a global perspective, which is essential for leading a professional society in an increasingly international and collaborative field.

As Senior Editor of BONE, I understand the importance of high-quality publications and my experience can contribute to ECTS' scientific communication and editorial strategy.

Finally, I have worked in a team all my professional life and I believe that I can bring to ECTS my style of respect and collaboration with the other members, from the most senior to the most junior scientists.

I am aware of the importance of further supporting clinical and basic young European scientists. ECTS is characterized by the highest level of scientific integrity, with quality training for young scientists and brings together excellent European research teams in the field of calcified tissues. My interest is to disseminate the image of ECTS as the leading society for biomedical research of excellence in calcified tissues within Europe.

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## Short profile of Nominee

Núria Guañabens, MD, PhD, is Chair of Medicine at the University of Barcelona and Senior Consultant in the Department of Rheumatology at the Hospital Clínic de Barcelona. Dr Guañabens trained in internal medicine and rheumatology and obtained her PhD from the University of Barcelona. She was Head of the Department of Rheumatology at the Hospital Clínic de Barcelona for 14 years.

Dr Guañabens has published more than 180 peer-reviewed papers. She has received the Professional Excellence Award from the Barcelona College of Physicians and the Steven Boonen Award from the ECTS. She is an elected member of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Catalonia. She is past president of the Catalan Society of Rheumatology and the Spanish Society of Bone and Mineral Research. She has served on the ASBMR Professional Practice Committee and the ASBMR Ethics Advisory Committee.

Dr Guañabens has been a member of the ECTS Board of Directors and has chaired the ECTS Education Committee. She is currently Senior Editor of Bone. She has been co-coordinator of the Bone turnover markers working group of the ASBMR and is currently coordinator of the Metabolic Bone Diseases working group of the Spanish Society of Rheumatology. Head of the Bone Metabolic Diseases Research Group in the Liver, Digestive System and Metabolism Area at the Institut d'Investigació Biomedica August Pi i Sunyer (IDIBAPS).

Dr Guañabens' research interests include bone turnover markers, bone disease in primary biliary cholangitis, bone disease in liver transplantation and advanced cirrhosis, and Paget's disease of bone.

# Martine Cohen-Solal

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## Statement of Nominee

Dear Members of the ECTS,

I would like to express my interest in the position of President of the European Calcified Tissue Society (ECTS). As a clinician dedicated to bone diseases with a strong background in basic research, I believe that I can contribute effectively to the continued success and growth of the ECTS.

Throughout my career, I have been dedicated to bone diseases, and more recently to rare bone diseases. My background was determinant to approach the clinical issues by combining clinical and bone biology approaches to provide an integrated picture of bone and mineral disorders. This was achieved by the mentoring of young scientists and physicians with the aim to drive them to the bone field.

My leadership experience includes serving academic institutions and professional organizations, such as the Research Director of an Inserm unit and member of the scientific council. These positions have honed my skills in strategic planning and stakeholder engagement and to drive innovation orientations.

I also have a deep commitment to the ECTS mission, being part of the Board during previous years, managing the rare disease action group, organizing the ECTS training course and finally the 2025 ECTS meeting.

If I have the honor of earning your vote, my missions will be to develop several key priorities:

1. Strengthening scientific excellence by enhancing ECTS research programs and encourage interdisciplinary collaborations.
2. Fostering Young Talent by supporting mentorship programs and career development workshops.
3. Expanding Global Impact of ECTS through the development of partnerships with other international societies and organizations.
4. Further Enhancing Member Engagement to create a more inclusive and engaging environment for all members and patient organizations.
5. Establishing stronger ties with Corporates, encouraging collaborative research projects and facilitating the translation of basic research into clinical applications.

I am eager to bring my passion and expertise to work collaboratively with the board, members, and stakeholders of the ECTS.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

Martine Cohen-Solal

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## Short profile of Nominee

Martine Cohen-Solal

Professor of cell biology (university Paris Cité) and physician at the Rheumatology Department, Lariboisiere hospital since 2008  
Director of the Inserm research unit "Biology of bone and Cartilage BIOSCAR", hospital Lariboisiere, Paris

### Boards and directions

- Board member of Inserm scientific specialized committee CSS6 from 2008 to 2012
- Member of the scientific committee of Inserm since 2022
- Board of the European Calcified Tissues Society from 2011 to 2017
- Board of the national Rare Diseases Network for Skeletal dysplasia (OSCAR) and director of the Research Axis.
- Director of the Reference Centre for Rare Bone Diseases and Skeletal Dysplasia in Paris.
- Member of the European Reference Network for rare bone diseases ERN Bond
- Membre du conseil scientifique de l'école doctorale HOB Paris Cité
- Editor manager of Bone journal

### Teaching activities

- Teaching and in charge of cell biology at university Paris Cité medical school
- Teaching and coordinator of the master degree program at Paris-Diderot medical school
- Coordinator of the Master program "Biology of the skeleton"
- Co-organization of the European Erasmus-Plus Blended Mobility program
- Organization of the PhD training Course of ECTS in 2016.
- Board and teaching of PhD Summer school Marie-Curie program (european project Biomedaqu 2019 – 2023).

### Organization of symposia, conferences

- Coordination of the translational research working group of the Oscar Rare Diseases Network.