

Privacy Policy

A. General privacy policy

The European Society of Toxicologic Pathology (ESTP) respects your concerns about privacy and values your interest. This Privacy Policy describes the types of personal information we collect from our members and from certain non-members, how we use the information, how we protect it, how long we retain it, and with whom we share it. It also explains how you can control your data.

I. Name and contact data of the controller

As controller within the meaning of Article 4 (7) GDPR, the

*European Society of Toxicologic Pathology e.V.
c/o Dr. Lars Mecklenburg
Saseler Chaussee 17
22391 Hamburg*

is responsible for the lawfulness of the processing of your personal data.

II. Your rights as a data subject

You have the following rights against us with regard to your personal data:

- **Right to information:**
Pursuant to Article 15 GDPR, you have the right to obtain information about the data stored about your person.
- **Right to correction:**
If incorrect personal data is processed, you have the right to correction of such data in accordance with Article 16 GDPR.
- **Right to erasure and right to restriction of processing:**
If the legal requirements are met, you can demand erasure of your personal data (Article 17 GDPR) or restriction of the processing of such data (Article 18 GDPR).
- **Right to object:**
Insofar as your data is processed on the basis of Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. f GDPR or lit. e GDPR, you can object to the processing in accordance with Section 21 GDPR.
- **Right to data portability:**
Pursuant to Article 20 GDPR, you can assert the right to data portability with regard to data that is automatically processed on the basis of your consent or in fulfilment of a contract with you.

If you wish to assert your rights, please do not hesitate to contact us using the above contact details.

Information on your right to object pursuant to Article 21 GDPR

You shall have the right to object, on grounds relating to your particular situation, to the processing of personal data concerning you which is based on Article 6(1) sentence 1 lit. f GDPR (data processing on the basis of a weighing of interests). This shall also apply to any profiling based on this provision within the meaning of Article 4 (4) GDPR.

If you file an objection, we shall no longer process the personal data unless we can demonstrate compelling reasons for the processing that outweigh your interests, rights and freedoms, or the processing serves the purpose of asserting, exercising or defending legal claims.

In individual cases, we process your personal data for direct marketing purposes. You shall have the right to object at any time to the processing of personal data concerning you for such marketing; this shall also apply to profiling to the extent that it is related to such direct marketing.

If you object to the processing of data for direct marketing purposes, we shall stop the processing of your personal data for such purposes.

The objection can be informal and should be addressed to:

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III. Your right to lodge a complaint

If you are of the opinion that data processing violates data protection laws, you have the right to lodge a complaint with a data protection supervisory authority of your choice (Article 77 GDPR in conjunction with Section 19 of the Federal Data Protection Act (Bundesdatenschutzgesetz, BDSG). This also includes the data protection supervisory authority responsible for us, which can be reached under the following contact information:

*Landesbeauftragte für Datenschutz und Informationsfreiheit
Nordrhein-Westfalen
Postfach 20 04 44
40102 Düsseldorf
Tel.: +49 (0) 211 38424-0
Fax: +49 (0) 211 38424-10
E-Mail: poststelle@ldi.nrw.de*

IV. Obligation to provide your data

You are neither legally nor contractually obliged to provide your personal data. Without the necessary data, however, we may not be able to allow you to use all the functions described in section B. "Special privacy policy for website users (members and non-members)" or to become a member of the association (see section C. "Special privacy policy for members").

V. Storage duration

Unless otherwise described in this privacy policy, we will store your personal data for as long as it is necessary to fulfil the purpose for which it was collected. Afterwards, we shall delete the data unless the processing is justified for any other purpose and unless the deletion does not conflict with any legal verification and retention periods.

B. Special privacy policy for web users (members and non-members)

I. Data processing on this website

1. Collection of personal data when using the website for information purposes

When using the website for information purposes only, i.e. if you do not register or otherwise provide us with information, we only collect the personal data that your browser transmits to our server. If you wish to view our website, we collect and store the following data:

- IP address of the requesting processor
- Date and time of access
- Name and URL of the downloaded file
- Volume of data transmitted
- Indication whether download was successful
- Data identifying the browser software and operating system
- Web site from which our site was accessed
- Name of your Internet service provider

The temporary storage of the data is necessary for the process of visiting the website, in order to enable delivery of the website. In addition, storage in log files is done to ensure the functionality of the website and the security of IT systems. This purpose also includes our legitimate interest in data processing. The data is processed on the basis of Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. f GDPR.

The website is hosted by the Fraunhofer Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine ITEM. The Fraunhofer Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine ITEM receives the data as processor.

Log files are deleted after 7 days.

2. Cookies

In addition to the aforementioned data, cookies are stored on your computer when you use our website. Cookies are small text files that are stored on your hard disk in the browser you use and through which certain information flows to the place that sets the cookie (here by us). Cookies

cannot run programs or transmit viruses to your computer. They serve to make the Internet offer more user-friendly and effective overall.

We use session cookies, which are deleted when you close your browser. In addition, you can set a cookie on the contact form (see B. I. 3), so that you do not have to enter your name and email address again when sending a new contact request. **By clicking the checkbox “Save my name and email in a cookie for later use” you agree to the setting of cookies. The legal basis for the processing is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. a GDPR. You have the right to revoke your consent by unchecking the checkbox.**

3. Contact forms

If you wish to contact us, you will find corresponding forms on our website. To respond to your contact request, it is necessary that you enter your name and e-mail address. The provision of further data is voluntary.

The legal basis for the processing of data for the purpose of responding to your contact request is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. f GDPR. We have a legitimate economic interest in (potential) members and interested persons contacting us via the contact form. Our contact form is a service we offer to enable you to contact us quickly and easily. In this way, we want to provide you with a good service. If you contact us for the purpose of becoming a member, Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. a GDPR shall be the legal basis for the processing of data.

4. Online registration form

You have the possibility to register for our congresses, seminars and other events via a form on our website. For that purpose, you have to fill in the mandatory fields indicated in red. The provision of further data is voluntary.

The legal basis for the processing of data for registration purposes is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. b GDPR. The processing of data is required so that you can attend the corresponding event.

In order to organise our congresses, we will transmit the data collected from you to a congress organiser. In addition, we use a payment service provider for handling the participation fees. If a congress is hosted by or in cooperation with Tierärztliche Hochschule Hannover (University of Veterinary Medicine in Hanover), the latter will receive the personal data required to organise the congress.

5. Order form

You have the possibility to order CD-ROMs issued by the ESTP via our order form. In order to process your order it is necessary that you fill in the mandatory fields indicated in red. The provision of further data is voluntary. The legal basis for the processing of data is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. b GDPR.

For the processing of payments we use a payment service provider.

6. ESTP membership application form

If you want to become a member of our association, you have the possibility to submit your application via the “ESTP Membership Application Form” on our website. The mandatory fields of the form are indicated in red. The provision of any other data is voluntary.

The legal basis for the processing of data for the purpose of processing your application for membership is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. b GDPR. It is required for the admission of members.

II. SSL/TLS encryption

For security reasons and for the purpose of protecting your personal data, our website is encrypted with SSL/TLS technology. You can recognize an encrypted connection by the “https://” address line of your browser and the lock symbol in the browser line.

C. Special privacy policy for members

I. Members only area website

As a member of our association, you have access to the member area on our website, where you can log in with your user name and password. Insofar as personal data of you is processed within the scope of the individual functions in the member area, we will explain the data processing in the following.

1. Interactive Question Cases

The “Interactive Question Cases” function offers you, as a member, the opportunity to present pictures to all other members and to discuss such pictures actively with other members. You can comment pictures presented by other members either with your name or anonymously.

The legal basis for the processing of data is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. f GDPR. Our legitimate interest lies in offering our members an interaction platform.

2. Membership List

Under the heading “Membership List”, we publish first and last names, email addresses as well as the telephone numbers of our members. The legal basis for the publication in our “Members Only Area” is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. f GDPR. In accordance with its Articles of Association, the ESTP’s task is to bring together people who work in the field of toxicologic pathology and to encourage an exchange of ideas and experience. This is also its legitimate interest.

3. Membership Contact Form

In order to contact other ESTP members or members of our committees, you can use our “Membership Contact Form”. For this purpose, it is necessary that you provide the data requested in the fields marked as mandatory. The provision of further data is voluntary.

The legal basis for the processing of data is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. f GDPR. In accordance with its Articles of Association, the ESTP's task is to bring together people who work in the field of toxicologic pathology and to encourage an exchange of ideas and experience. This is also its legitimate interest. The provision of the "Membership Contact Form" is a service we offer to enable you to contact other members quickly and easily.

II. Membership administration

We process your personal data required for the administration of your membership (e.g. date of entry, type of membership, status of membership fee payment, payment information). The legal basis for the processing of data is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. b GDPR.

Insofar as association members from Switzerland work on the executive board, personal data will be transferred to Switzerland. Within the meaning of the GDPR, Switzerland is considered as third country. However, the EU Commission has issued an adequacy decision (2000/518/EC), which is available on the website of the European Union.

For the processing of membership fees we use a payment service provider. For membership administration, we also avail the services of a secretarial service provider.

III. Journal

If you opt for a print version of the "Toxicologic Pathology" journal when filling in the membership application form or the annual membership renewal forms, we will process your personal data in order to send you the privacy statement. The legal basis is Article 6 (1) Sentence 1 lit. b GDPR.

We transfer the required personal data to the publisher of the journal, i.e. to the United States of America. The transfer to the US is necessary to make the journal available to you (Article 49 (1) lit. b GDPR).