

Research and Innovation Task Force

2022 Annual Report

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ACTIVITIES

Our Task Force was created towards the end of 2022. We had two zooms to discuss the terms of reference for our Task Force and identify areas to focus the next meetings so that we can reach recommendations. We discussed possible research areas that merit more attention in the future, possible approaches that would benefit the goal of accelerating and improving the impact of research globally, and the role of ILAE in the process. We identified the focus areas and there is a plan to continue exploring these through the formation of working groups that will deliver proposals for discussion before finalizing our proposal. These working groups will discuss preclinical and clinical research (areas, quality issues, translation, innovation), research priorities, education and training, publications, advocacy and public engagement, globalization,

diversity and engagement of low resource regions, networking, collaborative research, and big data analyses.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Task Force was formulated towards the end of 2022. A path and working groups to accomplish the goals were formed and our discussions will continue through 2023.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Formation of a Research and Innovation scoping Task Force tasked to deliver recommendations for the ILAE executive committee to consider in promoting high impact and quality research in epilepsy.
- Working groups were formed to discuss possible recommendations, actions, and priorities.

MEETINGS

Twice in November 2022

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