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FEBS National Lectures

FEBS National Lectures are FEBS-supported plenary lectures from distinguished scientists from outside the event-hosting country at scientific meetings of FEBS Constituent Societies. An engraved glass award is presented to the lecturer, as a memento of the speaker's selection and significant contribution to the meeting. Recent FEBS National Lectures are summarised below.



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Prof. **Anna Akhmanova** (Utrecht University, The Netherlands) was invited as a FEBS National Lecturer at the 43rd annual meeting of the Spanish Society of Biochemistry and

Molecular Biology (SEBBM). The congress was held online

19–22 July 2021 and hosted over 771 international participants, with several plenary lectures, as well as symposia, short talks, round tables and more than 430 poster presentations. We were pleased to host Anna Akhmanova, who gave an exceptional talk entitled 'The plus-end of microtubules and their relevance in multiple biological processes'. The lecture was inspiring and there was a lively discussion afterwards.

Laura Herrero, Organizing Committee



The Turkish Biochemical Society (TBS) was pleased to host the FEBS National Lecture of Prof. **Mübeccel Akdiş** during the 32nd National Biochemistry Congress at Gaziantep, Turkey, 27–30 October 2021. Mübeccel Akdiş leads the Immune

Regulation Research Group at the Swiss Institute of Allergy and Asthma Research at the University of Zurich, Switzerland, and gave an awe-inspiring talk entitled 'Mechanisms that trigger or break allergen-specific tolerance'.

The event hosted over 550 participants and provided an important opportunity for Turkish biochemists, especially the young researchers, to present and discuss many topics, from cancer metabolism to COVID-19. The congress included plenary lectures, mini-symposia, short talks and a large exhibition of products and services, as well as an exciting social program to visit the outstanding Zeugma Mosaic Museum.

Ferhan G. Sağın, Vice-President, TBS

FEBS Council election outcomes (Online meeting, 21 October 2021)

FEBS Executive Committee elections

Secretary General:

Miguel De la Rosa (Spain); first term from 1 Jan 2023

Chair, Education Committee:

Ferhan G. Sağın (Turkey); second term

Chair, FEBS Network Working Group:

Xavier Coumoul (France); first term

Other Executive Committee positions*

Chair of FEBS Executive Committee 2022: Piotr Laidler (Poland); *Vice Chair:* Janko Kos (Slovenia)

*Chair and Vice Chair are normally one-year appointments for FEBS Constituent Societies that have organized a FEBS Congress in the previous two years. Due to the postponement of the 45th FEBS Congress in 2020, the current positions are two-year appointments (2021–2022).

New Members of other FEBS Committees or Working Groups

Fellowships Committee:

Jussi Hepojoki (Finland)

Publications Committee:

Johannes Herrmann (Germany), Marcin Majka (Poland)

Science and Society Committee:

Melita Vidaković (Serbia)

FEBS Network Working Group:

Ali Burak Özkaya (Turkey)

Posts start on 1 January 2022, unless otherwise stated. Full current FEBS Committee lists are available in the FEBS website's [About us](#) section.

The next FEBS Council meeting will take place on 14th July 2022 in Lisbon, Portugal, following the IUBMB–FEBS–PABMB Congress. Further details will be sent to FEBS Constituent Societies in early 2022.