





Report of the short-term visit ERN Exchange Programme 2021-2022

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Healthcare provider hosting the exchange visit	Hospital Policlinico San Martino, Genova
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Start date of the exchange visit	20/06/2022
End date of the exchange visit	24/06/2022

1. The objectives of the exchange visit were:

- To participate in nailfold examination with capillaroscope
- To learn the difference between normal and abnormal nailfold capilaroscopy findings
- To be able to examine patient with capillaroscope and to discern scleroderma pattern from nonscleroderma pattern

2. Please describe the activities performed during your exchange visit:

- Introduction to the technique of examination with capillaroscope the difference between different scopes
- Capillaroscopy examination on patients with different diagnosis
- · Capillaroscopy examination on healthy individuals
- Learning the difference between non-scleroderma and sclerodema pattern on these examinations
- Learning to draw the conclusions of examination

3. Please describe below what you have learned during the exchange visit:

- How to conduct an examination of capillaroscopy independently
- How to differentiate non-scleroderma and sclerodema pattern on these examinations
- How to draw the conclusions of examination

4. Please describe below how you plan to implement what you have learned in your Healthcare provider/clinic:

- By implementing capillaroscope examination in daily practise on inpatient and outpatient groups;
- By monitoring patients with scleroderma pattern in dynamic.

5. Would you recommend the Exchange Programme to your colleagues? If yes, why?







Yes, I would definitely recommend the Exchange Programme. This type of learning allowed us to practise on real patients and learning from experts in this field.