

ESTS Rules for Publications and Presentations

The ESTS database is managed by a scientific committee, the “Database Committee”, which is responsible for its periodical revisions and updates. This database offers a solid ground for clinical research to units that actively participate in its implementation. Indeed, participating units are encouraged to submit their own proposals of clinical research based on the total data present in the ESTS Database.

1°) ESTS rules for publications

- The proponents of the project should be an ESTS member and belong to an active unit that send at least 50 patients per year to the ESTS database, on a regular basis;
- Project should be submitted, according to a predetermine file (see *ESTS Database Request Form for Publication*), to the ESTS database Committee (ESTS database director) for peer-review;
- If accepted, the requested and anonymized data will be provided to the proponent of the project;
- ESTS will retain the responsibility for the final analysis and interpretation of results: the final product needs to be reviewed once again by the Database Committee (in link with a statistician if needed), who will be responsible for the accuracy and integrity of the results;
- The proponent of the project will be the first Author of the final manuscript and he/she will be allowed to include, if requested, additional two / three colleagues, who contribute to the manuscript (from design to writing);
- The members of the Database Committee who contributed to the review process and assisted in the development of the manuscript will be also included in the list of Authors;

2°) ESTS rules for presentations

Any presentation given in a meeting that uses data from the ESTS database should mention on the first slide:

- The logo of the ESTS;
- The acronym “ESTS”;
- The name of the members of the Database Committee who were involved in the work.