



European Society of Vascular Medicine

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Fellowship of the European Society of Vascular Medicine (FESVM)

Fellow of the European Society of Vascular Medicine (FESVM) is a title of honour that is awarded to healthcare professionals who have made a significant contribution to vascular medicine/angiology and continue to do so. The FESVM title creates visibility of the vascular medicine specialty and demonstrates the high-quality work carried out by these Fellows. It is the aspiration that such a Fellowship will be recognized throughout the cardiovascular community as a symbol of excellence. Similar approaches are FESC (Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology), FACC (Fellow of the American College of Cardiology), FAHA (Fellow of the American Heart Association), FRCP (Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians), FRCS (Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons).

There are 2 ways of being awarded the title of a Fellow of the ESVM:

1. Honorary lifetime award

The honorary title of FESVM is awarded to a small number of people as a sign of extraordinary contribution to the field. There will be initially 2 awarded in 2021 and then 1 per year. This will be free of charge but also without the benefits detailed below. Nominations will be brought forward by ESVM board members. Nominations should be submitted to the Fellowship Committee via the ESVM secretary (Adm@vascular-medicine.org) by June 1st for evaluation. The Fellowship Committee will collate nominations and present candidates during the June ESVM board meeting for votes. The FESVM certificate will be awarded during the yearly ESVM conference.

2. Regular Fellowship award

Applications are open to all healthcare professionals who have distinguished themselves in scientific or clinical excellence in vascular medicine/angiology.

Applications with supporting material should be submitted by June 1st to the ESVM secretary (Adm@vascular-medicine.org).

The following **required supporting documents** should be submitted:

- a. Short statement of why the applicant wants to be a Fellow of the ESVM
- b. Copy of academic diploma(s) (MD., PhD. or equivalent): If not originally in English, translation is mandatory.
- c. Minimum 10 publications relevant to vascular medicine in peer-reviewed journals, of these, at least 5 publications with the applicant as first or last author (original articles, excluding editorials, reviews, case reports)
- d. Two supporting letters on official Institution or Society letterhead and signed by hand:
 - i. One supporting letter from a current or previous ESVM Board member or President of a National Vascular Medicine Society from where the candidate is living/working or a current leader of an ESVM Working Group.
 - ii. One supporting letter from a Fellow of the ESVM
- e. Short CV



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- f. Must be a current member of ESVM
- g. For discounted fee: Membership certificate of national society indicating that VASA subscription is included

Decision and award: The Fellowship Committee will triage and evaluate applications based on the criteria, collate information and present candidates during the June/July ESVM board meeting for ratification. Applicants will be informed about the decisions before ESVM conference and certificates will be awarded during ESVM conference members meeting. Copies of membership certificates will be available for download in the members area of the website.

Fees: By applying for the fellowship, the applicant agrees to pay a yearly fee. The fee (€150) is to support the ESVM and includes an online VASA subscription and free registration to the yearly ESVM conference. In case people already have a VASA subscription via their national society membership, they can apply for a discounted fee (providing membership certificate). Further benefits of FESVM include an abbreviated public version of the board minutes and free access to online CPD material.