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Call for Applications – EPHAR Summer School 2026

The EPHAR Executive Committee is pleased to announce the **first edition of the EPHAR Summer School**, which will take place in **Ankara, Türkiye, from 9-12 June 2026**, in collaboration with the **Turkish Pharmacological Society**, **Hacettepe University**, and **Ankara University**.

This new initiative has been launched to support and inspire **early-career researchers in experimental pharmacology**. The programme will primarily focus on **hands-on practical training**, aimed at strengthening participants' scientific background and research skills. This will be complemented by an **intensive theoretical programme**, including a full symposium day delivered by members of the EPHAR Executive Committee.

The Summer School will host **up to 25 participants**, mainly **first- and second-year PhD students**. Each EPHAR member society is invited to **nominate one candidate**. Travel costs should be covered by the nominating society, while **EPHAR will cover accommodation expenses**. **Lunch and dinner will be provided by the Turkish Pharmacological Society**.

Application deadline

Applications must be received **no later than March 31st, 2026**, and should be submitted in electronic form (Word.DOC or PDF) to EPHAR Secretariat secreteriat@ephar.eu and in Cc to EPHAR Secretary General, Prof. Nezahat Tugba Durlu-Kandilci ndurlu@hacettepe.edu.tr

Objectives

The EPHAR Summer School aims to:

- enhance participants' knowledge and practical skills,
- encourage collaboration among young scientists,
- promote excellence in pharmacological research,
- provide a stimulating environment for scientific discussion, interaction, and networking.

EPHAR strongly believes that this initiative will contribute to the professional development of young scientists and strengthen academic cooperation across Europe. **If successful, the Summer School is intended to become a recurring initiative in the coming years.**

We look forward to the active participation of EPHAR member societies in making this inaugural Summer School a success.

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