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Professor Josef Köhrle announced as first Editor-in-Chief of *Environmental Endocrinology*

The European Society of Endocrinology (ESE) is delighted to announce that the first Editor-in-Chief of its new journal, *Environmental Endocrinology*, is Professor Josef Köhrle.

Environmental Endocrinology is the European Society of Endocrinology's new inter-disciplinary open-access journal publishing high-quality clinical, translational, and basic research on all aspects of environmental impacts on hormone systems in humans and living systems, incorporating the One Health perspective. The launch issue is scheduled for Q2 2025, and submissions are now being welcomed via the Journal's website.

Jérôme Bertherat, ESE President, said: "I am delighted that Josef will be the first Editor-in-Chief of ESE's new *Environmental Endocrinology* journal. He has a deep understanding of environmental endocrinology through his long-term, outstanding research experience, dedication to the field and is highly respected across his wide international network. Josef also has a strong editorial background having served on the boards of several endocrinology and thyroid specialist journals and is particularly experienced in the early life of a new journal having previously served as Senior Editor during the launch of *Endocrine Connections*."

Professor Köhrle has been Senior Professor, Molecular Endocrinology at the Institute of Experimental Endocrinology; Charité-Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany since 2017. Before that he served as Director of this institute from 2002-2017. He holds a Ph.D. in biochemistry and endocrinology from University of Hanover, Germany; and in 1991 was awarded Habilitation for Experimental Endocrinology, Medizinische Hochschule in Hanover.

He has also been active in professional societies throughout his career having served as president of the German Society of Endocrinology (2017-2020) and European Thyroid Association (2006-2008), and currently co-leads ESE's Endocrine-disrupting Chemicals (EDC) Working Group, is co-chair of the ESE Focus Area in Environmental Endocrinology and is member of the EU Endocrine-disrupting Chemicals (EDC) task force of the Endocrine Society.

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Professor Köhrle said: “I am honoured to serve as the first Editor-in-Chief of *Environmental Endocrinology*, a highly relevant topic of our time and of my personal scientific interest. The launch of this Journal by ESE is highly necessary to advance research in fields where endocrinologists are the experts including endocrine-disrupting chemicals, environmental epidemiology, the impact of climate change on the endocrine system, the relationship between hormones, mobility in urban societies and lifestyle, and environment-mediated interactions between the endocrine system, metabolism and contagious diseases. I look forward to working alongside the editorial board to establish *Environmental Endocrinology* as the flagship journal for research in this field.”

Helen Gregson, CEO, ESE, said: “We are delighted to welcome Josef as the first Editor-in-Chief of *Environmental Endocrinology*, the new ESE interdisciplinary, open access journal. His dedication over more than four decades to research endeavours in the field of endocrinology with a focus on thyroid, metabolism, trace elements, environment and endocrine-disrupting chemicals, combined with his strong editorial experience will maximise the Journal’s impact from launch. We look forward to supporting him in building the scientific reputation of *Environmental Endocrinology* and establishing it as the flagship journal in this highly topical field.”

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Notes for editors

Hi-res images of the new journal cover and Professor Köhrle can be found [here](#).

About the European Society of Endocrinology

The European Society of Endocrinology (ESE) provides a platform to develop and share leading research and best knowledge in endocrine science and medicine. By uniting and representing every part of the endocrine community, we are best placed to improve the lives of patients. With over 4,800 individual members and through the nearly 50 National Societies involved with the ESE Council of Affiliated Societies (ECAS) ESE represents a community of over 20,000 European endocrinologists. We inform policy makers on health decisions at the highest level through advocacy efforts across Europe.

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About Professor Josef Köhrle

Professor Köhrle’s research focuses on the molecular aspects of the thyroid hormone system; effects of endocrine active compounds (endocrine disruptors) upon the thyroid hormone axis; interaction between essential trace elements and endocrine system; and the development of analytical methods for endocrine-relevant ligands. His research has been continuously funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) since 1982 as well as the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), European Union (EU) and several scientific foundations.

His editorial experience includes serving at leading endocrinology publications *Molecular and Cellular Endocrinology*, *Endocrinology*, *Endocrine Regulations*, *Experimental and Clinical Endocrinology & Diabetes*, *Endocrine Connections* and *Journal of the Endocrine Society*; as well as thyroid hormone-focused journals *Thyroid*, *Thyroid Research*, *European Thyroid Journal* and *Journal Trace Elements in Medicine & Biology*.

About ESE Journals

Obesity and Endocrinology is dedicated to advancing and understanding obesity through comprehensive coverage of basic, translational and clinical aspects endocrinology, both in respect to the complexity of obesity as an endocrine disease, and its biology, diagnostics, treatment and relationship with other endocrine and metabolic diseases. The Journal will also incorporate the interplay between the microbiome and the exposome as well as the sociological, political and global implications of this complex area. The Journal is published by Oxford University Press with the launch issue scheduled for Q2 2025.

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The ***European Journal of Endocrinology*** is the European Society of Endocrinology's flagship journal with a current Impact Factor of 5.3. The Journal, also published by Oxford University Press, publishes high-quality original clinical and translational research papers and reviews in adult and paediatric endocrinology, as well as international clinical practice guidelines and position statements.

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Endocrine Connections is a peer-reviewed journal, publishing basic, translational and clinical research and reviews in all areas of endocrinology, including papers that deal with non-classical tissues as source or targets of hormones and endocrine papers that have relevance to endocrine-related and intersecting

disciplines and the wider biomedical community. The Journal, published by Bioscientifica, has a current impact factor of 2.6.

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