

E³ Summit FAQs

What is the E³ Summit?

The E3 Summit is an incredible three-week program featuring medical experts from all over the world on an array of topics related to the diagnosis and treatment of Marfan syndrome, Loeys-Dietz syndrome, VEDS (Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome), Stickler syndrome, and other genetic aortic conditions. To complement the medical information, a selection of quality of life presentations are also included. Opportunities for connecting with other people in the worldwide community will be available as well.

Where is the E³ Summit taking place?

The Summit is a completely virtual event. Everything takes place online.

What kind of technology do I need to watch the sessions?

All you need to watch the sessions is a desktop or laptop computer, computer, tablet, or smartphone with an internet connection.

Do I need to download a particular app to participate in the Summit?

The E³ Summit will take place in on a platform called Whova, which is accessible via your web browser or a downloadable app on your mobile device. You can download the app at any time (here), but our event won't be available until August 15. Everyone who registers will receive an email on August 15 with the link to download the app and the code to access the E³ Summit. Those who register after August 15 will receive the link and code when they submit their registration.

What is the cost of registration?

There is no charge to register.

If I register, do my family members also have to register?

At registration, you will be asked for the number of registrants and will need to put in the information for each person who will be participating. There is no fee for individuals or families.

Who are the presenters?

We are honored to have leading presenters from nine different countries giving talks during the Summit. Their bios are available when you register. You will also be able to read about them in the Summit app. Nearly all members of our esteemed Professional Advisory Board are presenting.

What is the schedule of presentations?

The E³ International Summit is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, August 25, and culminate on Saturday, September 12. Live online presentations and question and answer sessions with the world's experts on Marfan, VEDS, Loeys-Dietz, and related conditions will be scheduled on weeknights and on two Saturdays. In addition, mid-day presentations will be offered to accommodate other time zones, especially in Europe. To better meet the needs of people around the world, the Summit will include medical presentations in Spanish, Italian, French, Dutch, and German.

Will the program be available in my time zone?

In the US, the programs will begin at 12 noon EST and 7:30 pm EST. Several of the mid-day presentations will be in languages other than English to better accommodate those in other parts of the world. The session time can be displayed in your local time zone when you log into the app.

How do I sign up for the sessions I want to hear?

There is no need to sign up for specific sessions. When the Summit app opens on August 15, you can create your own agenda and change it as you wish. There are only a few sessions that limit the number of participants (it will be noted in the description of that session). For the limited participation sessions, it will be first-come, first-served at the time of the session.

How will I get to ask questions of the presenters?

During the registration process, you will be asked to submit questions you would want to hear answered during the presentation. In addition, questions may be submitted through the chat box during each session.

What if I don't want to attend all sessions?

You can decide what sessions are of interest to you. There are no mandatory or minimum number of sessions to attend. Our goal is to give you access to the leading experts and the best information. You can choose what you'd like to participate in.

What if I register, but am not able to participate in the presentations live?

Most of the presentations will be recorded. If you register, you will be able to go into the Summit app at any time after the presentation and watch the recordings. In many cases, you can still ask questions within the app. Please note that there are some sessions that involve a support discussion. These will note be recorded because of the potential sensitivity of the discussion.

What if I want to participate in presentations that are being offered at the same time?

We understand that it may be hard to choose which presentations to watch. You may choose to have a partner, spouse, or family member participate in one and you participate in another. You can also watch presentations that are recorded within the app after the presentations are given. In many cases, you can still ask questions within the app. Note that a few sessions that are based on a discussion among participants will not be recorded.

How can I meet other people who are participating?

There will be many opportunities to connect with community through the Summit app. You can meet people with the same diagnosis, those from your geographic area, people who attend the same sessions that you do, and so much more. There will also be opportunities to share photos, exchange contact information, take surveys and pose questions.

Does the E³ Summit replace the Annual Conference?

We were disappointed that we could not hold our Annual Conference this year. We are looking forward to next year's Annual Conference, July 9-12, 2021, in Chicago.