

# SUMMARY REPORT

**Multi-stakeholder discussion panel on  
“Time Off Treatment in CLL: Clinical  
Control and Patient Priorities in Fixed-  
Duration Treatment”**

**11 June 2026**

**Clarion Hotel® Stockholm**

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On **11 June 2026**, the **European CLL Association (ECLLA)** convened a hybrid multi-stakeholder panel discussion, “**Time Off Treatment in CLL: Clinical Control and Patient Priorities in Fixed-Duration Treatment**,” alongside the European Hematology Association (EHA) Congress in Stockholm, Sweden.

The session brought together a diverse group of stakeholders, including hematologists, nurse, a psycho-oncology expert, patient advocates, a care partner, a policy specialist, and representatives from patient organisations, to explore the clinical, emotional, and practical implications of **treatment-free periods in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)**.





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The panel highlighted that **advances in fixed-duration and time-limited treatment** approaches are creating new opportunities for patients to experience meaningful periods off treatment. However, participants agreed that the impact of treatment-free periods extend beyond clinical outcomes and should also be considered through the lenses of **quality of life, psychological wellbeing, communication, monitoring, and shared decision-making**.

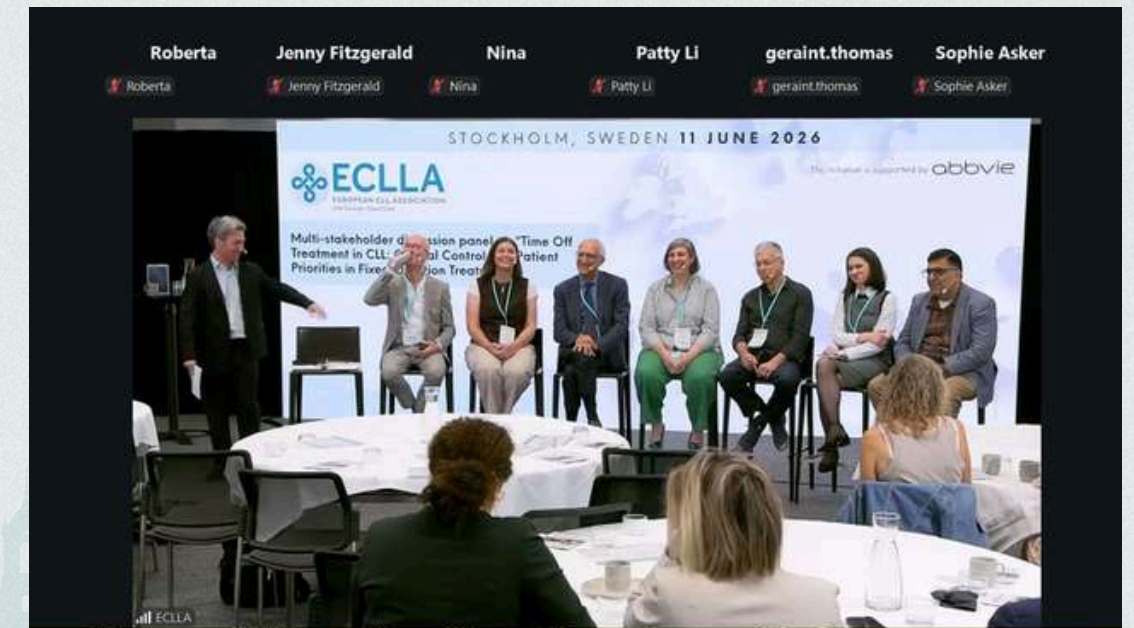
Discussion focused on the **need for improved patient education, clearer communication regarding treatment expectations, greater involvement of patients in treatment decisions, and stronger support systems during monitoring and survivorship phases**. Participants also emphasised the important roles of nurses, care partners, and patient organisations in helping individuals navigate uncertainty and maintain confidence during treatment-free periods.

A recurring theme throughout the discussion was the **importance of adopting a more holistic approach to CLL care**, one that integrates clinical effectiveness with patient experience, emotional wellbeing, and long-term quality of life. Participants recognised an opportunity for the European CLL community to strengthen collaboration, share best practices, and support people living with CLL throughout every stage of their care.



# Participants

A total of **32 participants attended** the panel discussion **in person** comprising of ECLLA stakeholders. A further **26 participants joined virtually** from **13 European countries**, representing predominantly patient advocacy organisations and ECLLA member groups. This hybrid format enabled broad participation from across Europe and ensured that the perspectives of people living with CLL and their representatives were reflected throughout the discussion.



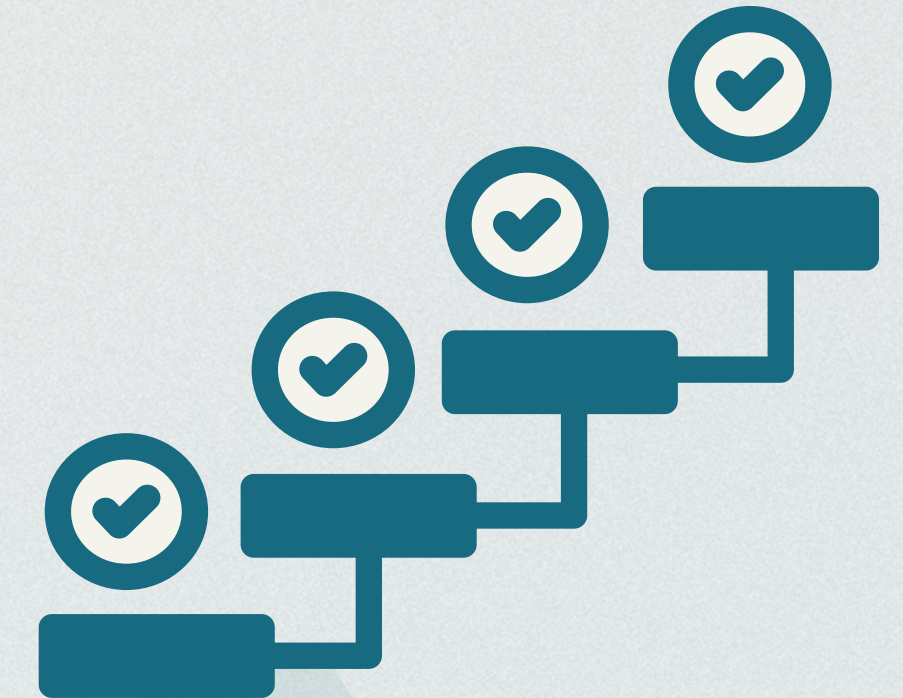
The panel marked the launch of a broader ECLLA initiative on time-limited treatment in CLL. Insights generated during the discussion will inform the development of:

- **A European Insight Paper**
- **An educational video series (CTA)**

Together, these outputs will help translate expert perspectives into practical resources for patients, healthcare professionals, patient organisations, and policy stakeholders across Europe.

**ECLLA would like to sincerely thank all panellists, moderator, attendees, patient advocates, healthcare professionals, and pharma partner who contributed to the success of this panel.**

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## Newsletter May 2026

The **European CLL Association (ECLLA)** was officially launched in January 2026 with a shared vision of strengthening collaboration and improving outcomes for people living with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) across **geographic Europe**. Since its launch, ECLLA has brought together patient advocates, healthcare professionals, researchers, policy representatives and partners with the goal of building a stronger and more united European CLL community. In just a few months, ECLLA has already made important progress. Read more about these initiatives and activities below.

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Advancing European Dialogue on Time-Limited Treatment in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)

### 🔔 **Featured Article: ECLLA Breakfast Panel alongside EHA 2026, Stockholm - REGISTER NOW!**

As part of its growing European advocacy activities, ECLLA will host a special breakfast panel discussion alongside EHA 2026 in Stockholm titled: "Time-Limited Treatment in CLL: The Holistic Impact of Treatment-Free Periods for the Patient, the Care Partner and the Wider CLL Community"

- 📍 Clarion Hotel Stockholm, Meeting Room C10
- 📅 11 June 2026, 8.30AM - 12.00PM CET
- 🌐 Hybrid format available

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The initiative reflects increasing interest in the broader patient experience associated with **fixed-duration therapies and treatment-free periods in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL)**. While clinical outcomes continue to improve, important emotional, psychological, and practical aspects of life during time off treatment remain insufficiently explored. The panel will bring together European experts from hematology, psychology, nursing, patient advocacy, and health policy to discuss patient priorities, shared decision-making, monitoring, quality of life, and psychosocial wellbeing during treatment-free periods.

### Agenda

- 08:30 – 09:15 Breakfast
- 09:15 – 10:45 Panel Discussion
- 10:45 – 12:00 Networking Lunch

### Panel Participants

- **Dr Talha Munir** – Consultant Hematologist, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
- **Dr Kostas Stamatopoulos** – Institute of Applied Biosciences, CERTH
- **Prof Amanda Kracen** – Professor of Psychology, National College of Ireland, Dublin
- **Eugene Beirne** – Clinical Nurse Specialist, Psychological Medicine Service, St James's Hospital Dublin
- **Monica Racovita** – Access and Policy Manager, Myeloma Patients Europe
- **Felice Bombaci** – Patient Advocate & CLL Care Partner
- **Denis Costello** – Facilitator & Panel Moderator, Director, CML Advocates Network
- **Jan Rynne** – CLL Patient, European CLL Association (ECLLA)

The Stockholm discussion forms part of a broader ECLLA initiative that will also include development of a **European Insight Paper** and a **CTA educational video series** to support patient organisations, care partners, HCP's, and the wider CLL community across Europe.

**We invite you to join us in Stockholm or online. Registration is required for all attendees, and places for in-person attendance are limited.**

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ECLLA looks forward to welcoming attendees both in person and online.  
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### 📍 **Live from Stockholm! Breakfast panel discussion on "Time-Limited Treatment in CLL: The Holistic Impact of Treatment-Free Periods for the Patient, the Care Partner and the Wider CLL Community"**

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Today, ECLLA is bringing together clinicians, patient advocates, care partners, nurse, and policy expert from across Europe for our multi-stakeholder panel discussion: "Time Off Treatment in CLL: Clinical Control and Patient Priorities in Fixed-Duration Treatment"...

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**Panel Composition**





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📌 Just one week to go! Join [European CLL Association \(ECLLA\)](#) in Stockholm on 11 June for our hybrid multi-stakeholder panel discussion, "Time Off Treatment in CLL," bringing together leading experts, advocates, and people living with CLL ...more

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Time-limited treatment in CLL: The holistic impact of treatment-free periods for the patient, the care partner and the wider CLL community

Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) is increasingly managed as a long-term condition in which patients may move between treatment and treatment-free periods. While advances in fixed-duration therapies have improved clinical outcomes, the broader emotional, psychological, and practical impact of time off treatment remains insufficiently explored.

Through this initiative, ECLLA aims to strengthen European dialogue on patient priorities, shared decision-making, monitoring, and quality of life during treatment-free periods in CLL.

The initiative will launch at EHA 2026 in Stockholm through a multi-stakeholder panel discussion titled "Time Off Treatment in CLL: Clinical Control and Patient Priorities in Fixed-Duration Treatment", followed by a [European Insight Paper](#) and a [CTA educational video series](#) designed to support clinicians, patient organisations, and the wider CLL community across Europe.

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The event will be held in a hybrid format. All participants are required to register and indicate whether they will attend in person or virtually. Joining details for virtual participants will be sent closer to the event date to the email address provided in the [forms.gle/RFqTGDycN248BVV7](https://forms.gle/RFqTGDycN248BVV7)

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  - Multi-Stakeholder Discussion (55 minutes)
  - Q&A (15 minutes)
  - Closing Remarks (10 minutes)
- 10:45 - 12:00 Networking lunch

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Today in Stockholm, MPE's Access and Policy Manager **Monica Racovita** joined the **European CLL Association (ECLLA)** Multi-Stakeholder Panel Discussion: "Time Off Treatment in CLL: Clinical Control and Patient Priorities in Fixed-Duration ...more

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One of my favourite moments during my time in Stockholm was ECLLA's multi-stakeholder discussion on Time Off Treatment in CLL: Clinical Control and Patient Priorities in Fixed-Duration Treatment.... more



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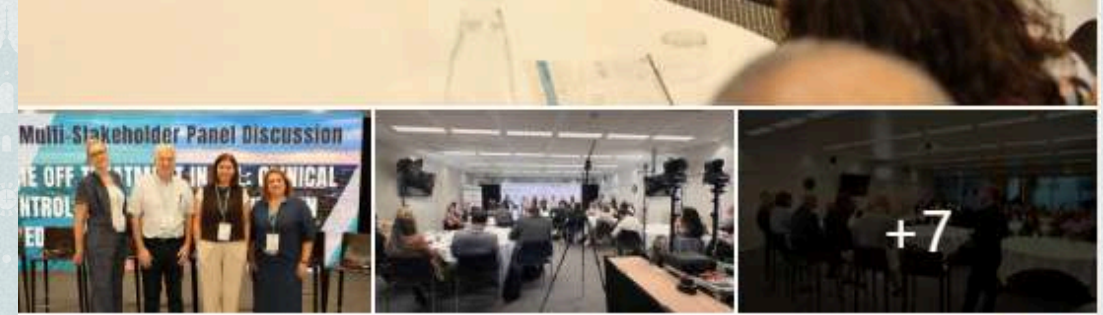
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