Society For Free Radical Research
European Region

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2025

THE SOCIETY FOR FREE RADICAL RESEARCH - EUROPE

Charity Reg. No. 288112

ADDRESS: The Society does not have a fixed office. Records are held by the Officers of the Society. The current contact details for the Society are Dr Aphrodite Vasilaki at UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL, THE WILLIAM HENRY DUNCAN BUILDING, 6 WEST DERBY STREET, LIVERPOOL L7 8TX and Dr Dr Heraliyawala K Irundika Dias at ASTON UNIVERSITY, ASTON TRIANGLE, BIRMINGHAM, B4 7ET

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Scientific advisor:	Enrique Cadenas (University of Southern California. Los Angeles, CA, USA)
Scientific advisor:	Professor Michael Jonathan Davies (University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

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Dr Aphrodite Vasilaki (University of Liverpool, UK)
Dr Heraliyawala KI Dias (Aston University, UK)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT:

Please refer to the current Statutes of the Society, which are appended at the end of this report.

FINANCIAL REVIEW 1st JANUARY TO 31st DECEMBER 2025:

The Society made no financial profit during 2025; Receipts over payments: **£51,812**
No funds are held as custodian trust on behalf of others.
A summary of accounts for 2025 is given below.

RECEIPTS:	
Member Subscriptions 2025	£13,247
Income from Journals	£135,915
Bank Interest	£2,591
Total Receipts	**£151,753**

PAYMENTS	
Scholarly activity	£75,362
Accountancy fees	£89
Bank charges	£686
Website Administration	£20,839
Memberships	£2,965
Total Payments	**£99,941**
SURPLUS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS	**£51,812**
Cash Funds as at 1st January 2025 (£)	£313,036
Cash Funds as at 31st December 2025 (£)	£364,848

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES / ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE:

The objective of the Society is to promote the understanding of free radical processes in biological science. In 2025, the Society supported and organised several events to fulfil this purpose. The Society for Free Radical Research (Europe) Annual Scientific Meeting was held in Galway, Ireland (June 03 - 06, 2025). Several travel awards were also awarded to young investigators to attend the conference. A General Assembly was held in Galway on the 4th of June 2025, attended by approximately 50 members, accounts and reports were presented, and statutes were approved.

The Society also provided financial support towards:

2025 Conferences / meetings supported by SFRR-Europe

- Nitric Oxide (GRS) Gordon Research Seminar (Ventura, USA)
- NRF2 and HNE satellite meetings of SFRR-I 2025 (Ireland)
- 2025 Redox Chemistry / Biochemistry Graduate Summer Course (Hungary)
- 2nd Redox Medicine Workshop: Connecting the Exposome with Redox Regulation in Health and Disease (Portugal)
- 12th Meeting Of The Canadian Oxidative Stress Consortium (Canada)
- EMBO Workshop: Thiol-based redox switches: From chemistry to physiology and pathology (Spain)

In addition, the Society provided 4 Visiting Fellowships of up to €2000 made to young Investigators to cover travel and accommodation expenses for short research stay in another European laboratory. The Society also provided 2 Early Career Investigator (ECR) Fellowships. The ECR Fellowships are specifically for researchers under 40 years of age, who are working in different areas of biological sciences and medicine working in the redox biology field. They are intended to provide ECRs support of up to €10,000 for research

or seed-funding for a new project, which should be relevant to the field of redox research and completed within a 12-month period.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees of SFRR-Europe

Dr Heraliyawala K Irundika Dias

21.10.2026

THE SOCIETY FOR FREE RADICAL RESEARCH (Reg. Charity 288112)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
RECEIPTS:		
Member Subscriptions	13,247	13,496
Royalties from Journal	135,915	123,147
Support from Oxygen Club of California	0	47,871
Bank Interest	2,591	1,267
Total Receipts	**151,753**	185,781
PAYMENTS:		
Accountancy fees	89	78
Webpage maintenance/Assistant Secretary fee	20,839	17,890
Memberships	2,965	1,568
Scholarly activity	75,362	144,551
Bank charges	686	911
Total Payments	**99,941**	164,998
SURPLUS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS	**51,812**	20,783
Cash Funds As at 1st January 2025	313,036	292,253
Cash Funds As At 31st December 2025	364,848	313,036

Signed on behalf of the trustees of The Society For Free Radical Research

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act), as amended by s.28 of the Charities Act 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsiblitiy to examine the accounts, follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission, and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

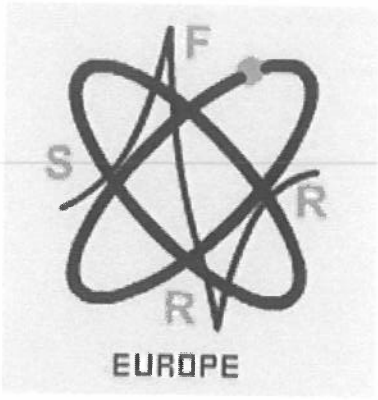
My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission and included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that proper accounting records are kept, and accounts are prepared which agree to those records, and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act.

Signed:

MarionRaeside 10/10/26

Marion Raeside, Chartered Accountant(ICAS)
Linnhead Farm, Uplawmoor, Glasgow, G78 4BX



STATUTES AND RULES

The Society for Free Radical Research (European Region) founded in 1988, is an international Society registered as a charity in the United Kingdom. It is a regional branch of the Society for Free Radical Research International.
Charity number: 288112

1. The name of the Institution (hereinafter called the 'Society') is the Society for Free Radical Research Europe.

2. The Society shall be a voluntary non-profit making body of persons associated for the purposes given hereinafter appearing.

3. The objective of the Society is to advance knowledge of free radicals and the processes in which they participate with particular reference to those processes of industrial and medical importance, such knowledge being for the benefit of the public. In furtherance of the above object the Society shall have the following powers:

(a) to provide a forum for discussions;
(b) to receive and utilise donations, subscriptions and funds from persons or organisations;
(c) to do all lawful things necessary to advance the objective;
(d) to undertake research and publish the useful results of the research.

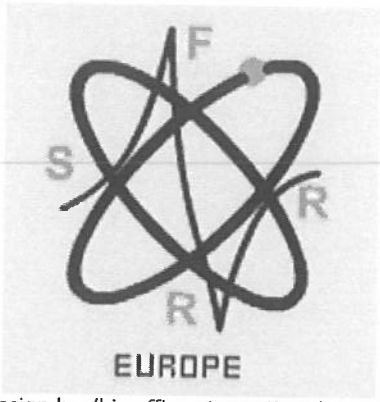
The Society is beyond any political issues and strives to foster peace and collaboration. Therefore, no restrictions will be allowed in the meetings of the Society in relation to the attendance of scientists from any country. These restrictions would be against the spirit, principles, and policy of the Society.

4. The Society shall be a constituent Regional Organisation of the Society for Free Radical Research International with the following responsibilities:

(a) the Society shall have identical objectives to those of the Society for Free Radical Research International;
(b) the Society shall have its own elected Council and Executive Officers;
(c) the Society shall be completely responsible for its own financial viability and liability and shall determine its own rules governing subscription. The subscription will comprise a regional organisation component and an international component;
(d) the Society shall be responsible for registering a list of members and raising subscriptions.

5. The Council

(a) The affairs of the Society will be managed by a body to be called the Council which shall be the governing body of the Society and which will exercise all such powers of the Society and do on behalf of the Society all such acts as may be done within the Rules.
(b) Executive Officers of the Council will be a President, Past President, President-Elect, General Secretary, Treasurer, up to two Meeting Officers, three Scientific Advisors, the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Early Career Researcher (ECR) sub-committee, plus ten elected members. In order that undue geographical and scientific bias be minimised, the Council may further co-opt up to four other members to serve on the Council.
(c) The Council will mandate executive power to a restricted committee (the Executive Committee), consisting of the President, President-Elect, General Secretary, Treasurer, one or two Meeting Officers, three Scientific Advisors, and the Past-President, to undertake any negotiations and conduct business on behalf of the Society.
(d) In drawing up a list for election of the Executive Officers of the Council, the Secretary will consider nominations representative of academic or independent research institutions as well as of industry;
(e) Subject to the above mentioned maximum number, the existing members of the Council may, from time to time, appoint any member of the Society to be an additional member of the Council to fill any vacancy arising. Any member so appointed will retain her/his office until the next scheduled Council elections and she/he will then be eligible for re-election for two years and thus for a maximum of four years



(f) A member of the Council may resign her/his office at any time by giving notice in writing to the Council.
(g) The Council will decide the venue and timing of their Meetings. The Executive Committee will decide the venue and timing of any additional Executive Committee Meetings.
(h) A restricted committee, consisting of the President, Past President, President-elect, Secretary and Treasurer, two Meeting Officers and three Scientific Advisors to be called "The Executive" will have the task of preparing material for consideration by the full committee.
(i) The Council will assist in the coordination of meetings on free radicals and other oxidants by acting as poster and oral judges and session chairs. The timing and venue of the General Meeting of the Society will be the responsibility of the Council. As far as is possible, the Council Meeting will be held in conjunction with
the General Meeting of the Society for Free Radical Research.
(j) The composition of the Council may be amended by the General Meeting of the Society.

6. Membership

Membership of the Society will be open to any person, irrespective of place of residence, subject to the approval of the Council. Membership of the Society implies membership of the Society for Free Radical Research International. The Council may elect persons of distinction in the field as Honorary Members of the Society. Honorary members will have all the privileges of membership and will not pay a subscription.

7. Subscriptions

(a) The annual subscription for members of the Society will be paid at a sum set by the Society on the recommendation of the Council. An additional sum can be payable to Elsevier for electronic access to Free Radical Biology and Medicine. The Society will pay dues to the Treasurer of the Society for Free Radical Research International based on memership numbers at an agreed rate.
(b) Annual subscriptions will be payable every 12 months following the date of the initial subscription payment to join SFRR-E.

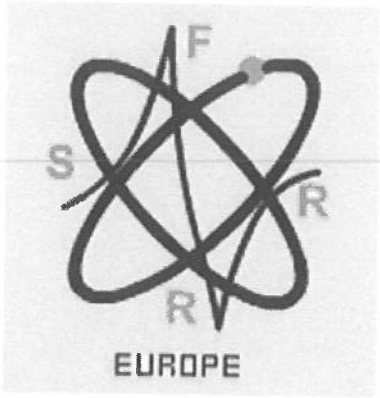
c) At the end of the year the Society will pay 10 Euros for each full member with double membership to the corresponding affiliated Society, Association or Group.

8. General Meeting

(a) A General Meeting of the Society will take place not less frequently than once in every two years, at such a place as may be determined by the Council. At least twenty-eight days in advance, details of time, place, agenda and resolutions to change the Rules will be given to the members in the case of each General Meeting.
(b) A quorum for a General Meeting will comprise not less than three ordinary members of the Council and twenty-five members or 15% of the total membership whichever is the smaller.

9. Special General Meeting of the Society

(a) The Council may, whenever, they think fit convene a Special General Meeting of the Society.
(b) The General Secretary may also convene a Special General meeting upon the requisition in writing of at least fifty members or at least 20% of the total membership of the Society whichever is the largest, stating the purpose for which the Meeting is required.
(c) At least twenty-eight days notice will be given of a Special General Meeting. Every such notice will specify the place, the day and the hour of the Meeting and the motion to be discussed. Members will be entitled to vote on the motion via a secure electronic voting system.
(d) A quorum at a Special General Meeting convened under sub-clause (a) hereof will be twenty members or 10% of the membership whichever is the largest. A quorum at a Special General Meeting convened under sub-clause (b) hereof will be fifty members or 20% of the membership whichever is the largest.



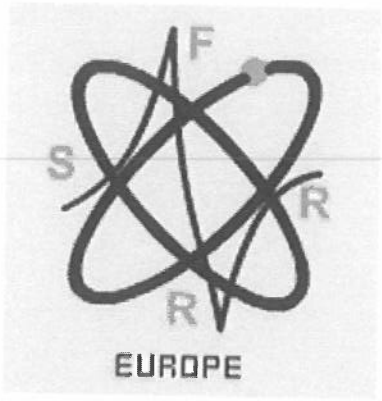
10. Procedure of General Meeting

(a) The President of the Council will preside as President at any General Meeting. If the President is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, then the numbers present if sufficient to form a quorum, will choose a member of the Council, or if all members of the Council present decline to preside, then they may choose any member present to preside.
(b) The President of the meeting may, with the consent of the meeting at which a quorum is present, or if such a meeting so decide, adjourn the meeting from time to time, or from place to place, but no business will be transacted at such adjourned meetings other than business for which the adjournment took place.
(c) At all general Meetings any resolution put to the vote at the meeting will, unless the rules otherwise provide, be decided by a show of hands by a majority of the members that a resolution has been carried or lost will be conclusive and the General Secretary will record the outcome in the minutes of the meeting, which will be made available on the Society website to all members.
(d) Every member present will have one vote and in the event of a tied vote the President will be entitled to a further or casting vote.
(e) If within half an hour of the time appointed for the holding of a General Meeting a quorum is not present the meeting will stand adjourned to such time as the Chairman will decide. In the case of a Special General Meeting the meeting will be dissolved.

11. Election of the Council

(a) The election of the President-Elect, General Secretary, Treasurer, Meeting Officers and Ordinary Members to the Council shall take place by a secret ballot before every other General Meeting and shall be open to all members of the Society. Members will vote electronically via a secure website according to a calendar established by the Executive Committee.
(b) Scientific Advisory Members of Council shall be nominated by the SFRR-E Executive, appointed by the Council, and approved by the General Meeting. Scientific Advisory Members of Council are appointed for a period of 4 years and are eligible for re-appointment for another 4 years by the SFRR-E Council. Scientific Advisors, who have contributed significantly to the SFRRE's mission and are available to contribute their wisdom and experience to implement the Society objectives, will serve as active members of the Executive and Council, involved with Society business, including outreach, sponsorship of SFRR-E meetings, Summer Schools, and interactions with the Society journals.
(c) In giving notice of the Election at the General Meeting, the General Secretary will submit a list of the Council, identifying those eligible for re-election, and will request nominations for the new Council.
(d) Any member will be entitled to nominate any other member for each office, provided the nominee has consented to stand and is eligible for the office. Nominations for President Elect, General Secretary and Treasurer will be seconded by five other members, whereas nominations for ordinary Council members will be seconded by two other members. Nominations will be submitted online via a secure website of the Society according to a calendar established by the Executive Committee and not less than twenty-eight days before the date of the General Meeting. If there has not been at least one nomination of each office, the General Secretary will, in consultation with Council Members make such provision so as to ensure there will be at least one nominee for each office.
(e) All members of the Council will be elected for a period of two years, to run from January 1st of the year following their election, with the following exceptions: (i) The President and President-Elect shall serve for a period of two calendar years. (ii) The President-Elect shall serve as President in the two-year period following her/his election as President-Elect. (iii) The General Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Meeting Officers shall serve for four calendar years and shall be eligible for re-election to a second four-year term. On completion of their term, the General Secretary, Treasurer and Meetings Officers may stay as Past-General Secretary, Past-Treasurer, and Past-Meeting Officer, respectively, for one additional year.

(iv) Scientific Advisory Members of Council are appointed for a period of 4 years and are eligible for re-appointment for another 4 years. (v) After her/his period of office, any officer of the Executive shall be eligible to serve in another office, during the next four-year period, provided that they do not serve on the Executive for more than four consecutive terms. (v) Ordinary members will retain her/his office for two years and she/he will then be eligible for re-election for two years and thus for a maximum of four years.



(f) All corresponding Societies shall establish a Committee structure which will normally include a President, President-elect and a Secretary and/or Treasurer with elections to these posts every two years. In respect of these posts, the corresponding Societies shall follow the rules of the Society as given under section 11 of the Rules.

12. Procedure at Council Meetings

(a) The Council may meet and undertake business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. Questions arising at any meeting will be decided by a simple majority of votes. In the case of a tied vote the President will have the casting vote.
(b) A quorum of the Council will be four consisting of three members with the President or President-Elect or Secretary or Treasurer. In the absence of the President, the Council will elect one of their number to lead the Council Meeting.
(c) On the request of any six members of the Council, the Secretary will at any time summon a meeting of the Council within three months.
(d) The Council will ensure that proper minutes be made of the proceedings of all meetings of the Society and of the Council and of all business transacted as such meetings, and all such minutes will be approved by the President of such meetings which will be sufficient evidence without any further proof of the facts therein stated.
(e) All acts done at any meetings of the members of the Council or by any person acting as a member of the Council will be deemed to have been done in good faith. Should it be afterwards discovered that there was some mistake in the appointment of any such member of the Council or person acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified their actions would be deemed as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a member of the Council.

13. Accounts

(a) The Council will cause proper records of accounts to be kept with respect to (i) all sums of money received and expended by the Society, (ii) all sales and purchases by the Society and (iii) all assets and liabilities of the Society.
(b) At each General Meeting, the Council will present to the members of the Society an account of income and expenditure since the last General Meeting made up to the preceding March 31st, together with a balance sheet made up as at the same date.
(c) The Council may have the accounts audited by an independent auditor.
(d) Banking account(s) will be held in the name of the Society and outgoing transactions will be approved in writing by two authorised persons who will be officers of the Society.

14. Change in Rules

(a) The Council may alter, amend or add to the Rules any resolution passed at any meeting by a majority of not less than two thirds of the members present and voting subject to the approval of the next General Meeting.
(b) Members unable to attend the General Meeting at which such a resolution is voted on, may vote on such resolution by secure electronic voting and all such votes received by the Council not later than twelve hours before the time of the meeting will be added to those cast personally at the meeting.

15. Winding Up
The Society may only be dissolved by resolution at a General Meeting approved by seventy-five per cent of the members present and voting, with secure electronic voting allowed for non-attending members. In the event of winding up, the assets of the Society after payments of debts and liabilities, shall be transferred to a selected charitable institution having similar objectives to the Society.

June 06, 2024