

# The European Shock Society



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## A Statement of Support to the Ukraine

Any professional scientific society should maintain impartiality, inclusivity and collegiality, focusing activities on the area of its expertise.

However, adhering to these premises should never replace basic human decency in the face of immoral actions and the need for empathy towards fellow human beings in need. The European Shock Society (ESS) stands for the European spirit of free, respectful and peaceful coexistence of all people.

The ESS feels compelled not to remain indifferent but to issue a strong condemnation of the Russian Federation's recent premeditated invasion of sovereign and democratic Ukraine. Although the ESS executive committee fully realizes that such a statement is only symbolic, we collectively believe that symbols do matter.

Above all, however, we wish to express our deepest sympathy to Ukraine and its suffering citizens, with special regard to our fellow Ukrainian scientist colleagues. ESS will do its best to extend its collegial support to the research community of Ukraine within the Society's resources and potential.

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