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Program

DAY 1 Thursday 26th of June

Welcome

08:50 h

Bonaventura Clotet, IrsiCaixa. HUGTiP, Spain

Francisco Guarner, Teknon Medical Centre, Spain

Ignasi López, Director, Department of Science “la Caixa” Foundation, Spain

SESSION 1: GUT BRAIN AXIS

Chairs: **Mireia Vallès-Colomer**, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain, and **Amanda Rodríguez-Urrutia**, Hospital Universitari Vall d'Hebron, Spain

09:00 h

Microbiome & Depression

Jane Foster, UT Southwestern Medical Center, USA

09:30 h

Communication Across the Microbiota Brain Axis

Maria R. Aburto, University College Cork, Ireland

10:00 h

Discussion

10:30 h

Coffee Break

SESSION 2: DIET & MICROBIOME

Chairs: **Carmen Collado**, IATA, Spain, and **José Manuel Fernández-Real**, IdIBGi, Spain

11:00 h

Microbiome-Diet and Cardiometabolic Health

Francesco Asnicar, University of Trento, Italy

11:30 h

Diet in Immunotherapy Response in Advanced Melanoma

Johannes Björk, University Medical Centre Groningen, The Netherlands

12:00 h

Discussion

12:30 h

Guided PosterTour

13:30 h

Lunch Break



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SESSION 3: MUCOSAL INFLAMMATION & CHRONIC DISEASE

Chairs: **Margarita Martínez**, Universitat de Girona, Spain and **Roger Paredes**, IrsiCaixa, HUGTiP, Spain

- 14:30 h **Emulsifier and Chronic Disease**
Benoit Chassaing, Institut Pasteur, France
- 15:00 h **Microbial and Immune Signatures in HIV Vaccine Responses**
Alessandra Borgognone, IrsiCaixa, Spain
- 15:30 h Discussion
- 16:00 h Guided Poster Tour
- 17:30 h Adjourn

DAY 2 Thursday 27th of June

SESSION 4: ORAL ABSTRACTS PRESENTATION

Chairs: **Chaysavanah Manichanh**, VHIR, Spain and **Malu Calle**, Universitat de Vic, Spain

- 08:00 h **Oral abstracts presentation**
- 09:00 h Discussion: panel with abstracts presenters & best abstract award
- 09:30 h Guided Poster Tour
- 10:30 h Coffe Break



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SESSION 5: MICROBIOME AT POPULATION LEVEL

Chairs: **Carmen Collado**, IATA, Spain, and **Stanislav Dusko Ehrlich**, INRAE, France

11:00 h **Highlights of the Dutch Microbiome Project**
Sasha Zhernakova, U. Groningen, The Netherlands

11:30 h **Epidemiology of the Microbiome**
Mireia Vallès-Colomer, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain

12:00 h Discussion

SESSION 6: RECENT ADVANCES

Chairs: **Francisco Guarner**, Teknon Medical Centre, Spain, and **Clàudia Arajol**, Hospital Universitari de Bellvitge, Spain

12:30 h **Development of potential first-in-class Live Biotherapeutic Products for gastrointestinal diseases**
Bernat Ollé, Vedanta Biosciences, Inc., USA

13:00 h **Gut Microbiome Signatures of Neurodegenerative Disease in Disease-Free Individuals**
Stanislav Dusko Ehrlich, INRAE, France

13:30 h Discussion

14:00 h **CLOSURE**
Francisco Guarner, Teknon Medical Centre, Spain



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