

**Hybrid Conference Programme**

Start (GMT)	Finish (GMT)	Presenter details
<b>Wednesday 13 May 2026</b>		
<b>12:30</b>	<b>13:30</b>	<b>Registration, lunch and networking</b>
13:15		Briefing for Session 1 speakers, microphone runners, chair, moderator & committee - Auditorium
<b>13:30</b>	<b>13:40</b>	<b>Welcome and introductions</b>
		<p><b>Wellcome Connecting Science:</b> Nagehan Ramazanoglu Bahadir, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK</p> <p><b>Scientific programme committee:</b>  <a href="#">Petter Brodin, Imperial College London, UK / Karolinska Institute, Sweden</a>  <a href="#">Carolina Lucas, Yale University, USA</a>  <a href="#">Vanessa Sancho-Shimizu, Imperial College London, UK</a>  <a href="#">David Thomas, University of Cambridge, UK</a> </p>
<b>13:40</b>	<b>15:10</b>	<b>Session 1: Immunology and physiology</b>
		<p>Chair: David Thomas, University of Cambridge, UK Moderator: TBC</p>
13:40	14:10	Outside the brain: how glial cells orchestrate tissue immunity <a href="#">Franze Progalzky, University of Oxford, UK</a>
14:10	14:40	Title TBC <a href="#">Erdinc Sezgin, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden</a>
14:40	14:55	Short talk selected from abstracts Short talk speaker
14:55	15:10	Short talk selected from abstracts Short talk speaker
15:10	15:40	Refreshment break and networking
15:25		Briefing for session 2 speakers, chair & moderator - Auditorium
<b>15:40</b>	<b>17:10</b>	<b>Session 2: Genes to function</b>
		<p>Chair: Anne Puel, French Institute of Health and Medical Research (Inserm), France Moderator: TBC</p>
15:40	16:10	Title TBC <a href="#">Benjamin Izar, Columbia University, USA</a>
16:10	16:40	Title TBC <a href="#">Vanessa Sancho-Shimizu, Imperial College London, UK</a>
16:40	16:55	Short talk selected from abstracts Short talk speaker
16:55	17:10	Short talk selected from abstracts Short talk speaker
<b>17:10</b>	<b>17:50</b>	<b>Poster pitch talks for odd number posters</b>
<b>17:50</b>	<b>18:50</b>	<b>Poster session 1 - odd number posters</b>
18:50		Dinner
18:50		Bar open (card payments only)

**Thursday 14 May 2026**

09:15	Briefing for Session 3 speakers, chair & moderator - Auditorium	
<b>09:30</b>	<b>11:00</b>	<b>Session 3: Human immune variation</b>
		<i>Chair: David Thomas, University of Cambridge, UK</i> <i>Moderator: TBC</i>
09:30	10:00	Rare TNFAIP3 hypomorphic variants are a massively underestimated driver of human inflammatory disease <a href="#">Daniella Schwartz, University of Pittsburgh, USA</a>
10:00	10:30	Te Whare Arai Mate: Immuno-genetic Landscape of Pacific Peoples in Aotearoa NZ <a href="#">Chris Pulluvea, Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand</a>
10:30	10:45	Short talk selected from abstracts <i>Short talk speaker</i>
10:45	11:00	Short talk selected from abstracts <i>Short talk speaker</i>
11:00	11:45	Refreshment break and networking
11:30	Briefing for session 4 speakers, chair & moderator - Auditorium	
<b>11:45</b>	<b>13:15</b>	<b>Session 4: Human immune responses to infection</b>
		<i>Chair: Vanessa Sancho-Shimizu, Imperial College London, UK</i> <i>Moderator: TBC</i>
11:45	12:15	Regulation of the germinal center B cell response to vaccination <a href="#">Ali Ellebedy, Washington University St. Louis, USA</a>
12:15	12:45	Novel Inborn Errors of the alternative NF-κB pathway <a href="#">Anne Puel, French Institute of Health and Medical Research (Inserm), France</a>
12:45	13:00	Short talk selected from abstracts <i>Short talk speaker</i>
13:00	13:15	Short talk selected from abstracts <i>Short talk speaker</i>
13:15	14:30	Lunch and networking
14:15	Briefing for Session 5 speakers, chair & moderator - Auditorium	
<b>14:30</b>	<b>16:00</b>	<b>Session 5: Sex and age differences in immunology</b>
		<i>Chair: Petter Brodin, Imperial College London, UK / Karolinska Institute, Sweden</i> <i>Moderator: TBC</i>
14:30	15:00	Title TBC <a href="#">Nollaig Bourke, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland</a>
15:00	15:30	Understanding the causes and consequences of immune variability <a href="#">Darragh Duffy, Institut Pasteur, France</a>
15:30	15:45	Short talk selected from abstracts <i>Short talk speaker</i>
15:45	16:00	Short talk selected from abstracts <i>Short talk speaker</i>
16:00	16:40	Refreshment break and networking
<b>16:40</b>	<b>17:20</b>	<b>Poster pitch talks for even number posters</b>
<b>17:20</b>	<b>17:35</b>	<b>Talk title tbc</b> <b>Pixelgen Technologies, Stockholm</b>
<b>17:35</b>	<b>18:35</b>	<b>Poster session 2 - even number posters</b>
18:35	20:30	Dinner
18:35	Bar open (card payments only)	

**Friday 15 May 2026**

09:15 Briefing for Session 6 speakers, chair & moderator - Auditorium

**09:30 11:00 Session 6: Biophysics and biomechanics of immune response**

Chair: [Carolina Lucas, Yale University, USA](#)

Moderator: TBC

09:30 10:00 Title TBC

[Michael Lassig, University of Cologne, Germany](#)

10:00 10:30 Identification and targeting mechanism regulating ferroptosis resistance

[Jose Pedro Freidmann Angeli, University of Wurzburg, Germany](#)

10:30 10:45 Short talk selected from abstracts

Short talk speaker

10:45 11:00 Short talk selected from abstracts

Short talk speaker

11:00 11:40 Refreshment break and networking

11:25 Briefing for Keynote, chair, moderator & committee - Auditorium

**11:40 12:35 Neglected health**

Chair: [Petter Brodin, Imperial College London, UK / Karolinska Institute, Sweden](#)

Moderator: TBC

11:40 12:10 Serotype skewing and immune imprinting shape response to the tetravalent dengue virus Qdenga vaccine

[Carolina Lucas, Yale University, USA](#)

12:10 12:40 Recreating a functional thymic microenvironment from stem cells

[Roberta Ragazzini, Francis Crick Institute, UK](#)

12:40 12:55 Short talk selected from abstracts

Short talk speaker

**12:55 13:00 Closing Remarks**

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13:00 13:45 Lunch and departures

13:45 Coach departures for Stansted and Heathrow airports

13:55 Coach departures for Cambridge train station and city centre