

Scientific Symposium "COVID-19 variants and the next pandemic"

Tuesday 6th June 2023, 14.00 – 18.00 CEST

Barcelona Biomedical Research Park (PRBB)

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What have we learned from the COVID-19 pandemic and where do we go from here?

How do we anticipate the next pandemic?

13:30 - 14:00	REGISTRATION
14:00 – 14:05	WELCOME & INTRODUCTION Ibrahim Abubakar (UCL, END-VOC Coordinator) & Antoni Plasència (Director General, ISGlobal)
14:05 – 14:30	OPENING REMARKS Dr Carmen Cabezas Peña (Secretary of Public Health, Catalan Government)
14:30 - 16:00	Panel #1: Global Epidemiology of COVID-19 variants, Preparedness, and Response Chair: John Watson (Independent – Former Public Health England) Speakers (20-mn presentations each + 30-mn Q&A) How global detection of pandemic and epidemic risks is changing: the role of new technologies and intelligence approaches – Oliver Morgan (World Health Organisation) Future Global Preparedness: Clinical Platform and Protocols – Janet Diaz (World Health Organisation) Pandemic Preparedness and Response in Europe – Anniek de Ruijter (University of Amsterdam)
16:00 – 16:15	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 16:15 16:15 – 17:45	PANEL #2: THE SCIENCE OF COVID-19 VARIANTS: STATE OF THE ART Chair: Richard Molenkamp (Erasmus MC) Speakers (15/20-mn presentations each + 30-mn Q&A) ■ COVID-19 Genomics and implications − Tom Peacock (Imperial College London) ■ Monitoring pathogens with zoonotic potential in animal reservoirs − Francois Balloux (University College London) ■ The disruptive effect of Covid-19 vaccines in the vaccination world − Sergio Abrignani (University of Milan) ■ Defining long covid and implications for global public health − Nisreen A. Alwan (University of Southampton)
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