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INTRODUCTION

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to participate, and more importantly to contribute to the **4th World Bronchiectasis & NTM Conference**.

Following a successful first editions in Hannover in July 2016, in Milan in July 2017 and in Washington DC in July 2018 with an average attendance of 400 researchers and clinicians, we are happy to announce that the 2020 edition will take place in Nice, at Méridien Hotel from 17 to 19 December, 2020.

The WBC is the place where the latest outcomes on the diagnosis and management of Bronchiectasis are shared and discussed. Furthermore, following the increase of NTM pulmonary and extra – pulmonary morbidity and mortality, it has been decided to fully integrate NTM related topics within the conference programme.

Considering the complex clinical picture of most of the patients affected by Bronchiectasis and NTM, large space will be given in this edition to **co-morbidities**. A central role would be also dedicated to the latest outcome on **microbiome** in pulmonary diseases as well as in the latest outcomes in **clinical trials**, and new available **diagnostic procedures** and **treatments**. The conference will be also the place where to discuss the **International Guidelines on NTM** and **Bronchiectasis**.

Several lectures would be reserved to **latest more interesting research works** from all over the World presented directly by participants, while **poster sessions** will help sharing effective clinical practices among attendees.

Joining forces, exchanging clinical experiences, sharing data and instruments, creating a network of active experts in the field are the main goals of the conference.

Looking forward welcoming you in Nice,

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Antoni TORRES Prof. Francesco BLASI

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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CHAIRS

Conference Chair

**Professor Antoni Torres (Spain)**

Full Professor in Medicine (Pulmonology) at the University of Barcelona and Director of the Respiratory Intensive Care Unit at Hospital Clínic.

Chair of the research group on Applied Research in Respiratory Diseases of the Institut d'Investigacions Biomèdiques August Pi i Sunyer (IDIBAPS).

Coordinator of the CIBER group on respiratory diseases (Ciberes), an SGR (Generalitat de Catalonia) group.

Member of EMBARC (The European Bronchiectasis Network) Steering Committee

Conference Co - Chair

**Professor Francesco Blasi (Italy)**

Professor of Respiratory Medicine and Head of the Department of Pathophysiology and Transplantation at the University of Milan.

Head Internal Medicine Department, Respiratory Unit and Adult Cystic Fibrosis Center, Fondazione IRCCS Cà Granda Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico Milan.

Member of Board of Directors, Università degli Studi di Milano.

Member of EMBARC (The European Bronchiectasis Network) Steering Committee.

Co-chair of IRIDE, the Italian Registry of adult bronchiectasis.

Co-chair of IRENE the Italian Observatory on Non-Tuberculous Mycobacteria

Former President of ERS – European Respiratory Society.

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Montserrat Vendrell, Girona, Spain
Tobias Welte, Hannover, Germany

TOPICS

ABPA - Allergic bronchopulmonary aspergillosis

Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency

Asthma

Biomarkers

Bronchiectasis

Comorbidities

COPD

Cystic Fibrosis

Exacerbations

Genetics

Immunodeficiency

Inhaled Antibiotics

Inhaled Steroids

International Guidelines

Lung Function Testing

Microbiome & Mycobiome

NTM – Non-Tuberculous Mycobacteria

Physiotherapy

PCD - Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia

Registries

Research priorities

RCT – Randomized Clinical Trials

Severity Scores

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David E. Griffith, Tyler, USA

Wei-Jie Guan, Guangzhou, China

Adam Hill, Edinburgh, UK

Charles Haworth, Cambridge, UK

Michal Loebinger, London, UK

Miguel Angel Martinez-Garcia, Valencia, Spain

Aurora Massaguer, Girona, Spain

Rosario Menendez, Valencia, Spain

Mark Metersky, Farmington, USA

Gerard Muñoz, Girona, Spain

Lucy Morgan, Sydney, Australia

Anne O'Donnel, Washington DC, USA

Kenneth Olivier, Bethesda, USA

Constança Pascual, Girona, Spain

Felix Ringshausen, Hannover, Germany

Leopoldo Segal, New York, USA

Amelia Shoemark, Dundee, UK

Michal Shteinberg, Haifa, Israel

Oriol Sibila, Barcelona, Spain

Gregory Tino, Philadelphia, USA

Antoni Torres, Barcelona, Spain

Menno van der Eerden, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Jakko van Ingen, Nijmegen, The Netherlands

Alexandru Vlagea, Barcelona, Spain

Montserrat Vendrell, Girona, Spain

Tobias Welte, Hannover, Germany

Kevin Winthrop, Portland, USA

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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

17th December 2020

12.00 – 19.30 Pick-up of the conference material at the Registration desk

Meet the Professors

The conference will start with 5 “Meet the Professors” courses running in parallel and repeated twice.

Maximum number: 40 - 130 participants per meeting on a first-come, first served basis.

Registration fee: € 25 + VAT for each “Meet the Professors”

Online
Registration
mandatory

14.00 – 15.00 MEET THE PROFESSORS – ROUND 1

Room 1

Meet the Professors A

NTM – PD: the challenging diagnostic path

David E. Griffith, Tyler, USA - Michal Loebinger, London, UK

Room 2

Meet the Professors B

Physiotherapy: how to improve the management of bronchiectasis

Gerard Muñoz, Girona, Spain - Victoria Alcaraz, Barcelona, Spain

Room 3

Meet the Professors C

How to set up a PCD diagnostic service

Amelia Shoemark, Dundee, UK - Lucy Morgan, Sydney, Australia

Room 4

Meet the Professors D

Immunodeficiency: from diagnosis to management

Alexandru Daniel Vlagea, Barcelona, Spain

Room 5

Meet the Professors E

How to use EMBARC data

Pieter Goeminne, Saint Niklaas, Belgium - James D. Chalmers, Dundee, UK

15.00 – 16.00 MEET THE PROFESSORS – ROUND 2

Repetition of the “Meet the Professors” Courses of Round 1 in the same rooms.

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17th December 2020**16.00 – 16.30 WELCOME COFFEE****16.30-16.45 OPENING ADDRESS**

Antoni Torres, Barcelona (Spain)
Francesco Blasi, Milan (Italy)
James D. Chalmers, Dundee (UK)

16.45 – 17.30 RISING STARS SESSION WITH AWARDS

Chairs: Antoni Torres, Barcelona (Spain), Francesco Blasi, Milan (Italy)

16.45 - 17.00 Rising Star Oral presentation 1 (Bronchiectasis)

The best abstract presented by a young clinician / researcher on
Bronchiectasis
Title to be announced

17.05 - 17.20 Rising Star Oral presentation (NTM – PD)

The best abstract presented by a young clinician / researcher on NTM
Title to be announced

Each lecture will be followed by 5-minute time for questions and comments as well as advices by the Chairmen.

17.25 – 17.30 Awards Ceremony

Delivery of **David Serisier Award** for Bronchiectasis
Delivery of **Won-Jung Koh Award** for NTM
to the “Rising Stars” mentioned above

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17th December 2020**17.30-18.00 LECTURE / DEBATE**

Chair: Michal Shteinberg, Haifa (Israel),

Adultologists meet paediatricians: what are we supposed to know from our patient's childhood that has an impact on the adulthood management*Adam Hill, Edinburgh, UK***18.00-18.30 LECTURE**

Chair: Kevin Winthrop, Portland (USA)

Bronchiectasis exacerbation management*Anne Chang, Darwin, Australia***18.30-19.00 LECTURE**Chairs: Timothy Aksamit, Rochester (USA),
Laia Fernandez, Barcelona (Spain)**Bronchiectasis: Dirty Little Secrets***Lucy Morgan, Sydney, Australia***19.00-19.40 KEYNOTE LECTURE**

Chairs: Lucy Morgan, Sydney (Australia),

Bronchiectasis: need for better definitions*Rosario Menendez, Barcelona, Spain***Discussion****19.40 – 20.40 WELCOME COCKTAIL**

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18th December 2020**08.30 – 09.10 THE PATIENTS' POINT OF VIEW**

Chairs: Antoni Torres, Barcelona (Spain), Francesco Blasi, Milan (Italy)

08.30 – 08.45 My experience with Bronchiectasis*Constança Pascual, Girona, Spain***08.45 – 09.00 My experience with NTM***Aurora Massaguer, Girona, Spain***Discussion****09.10 – 11.10 SESSION I: NOVEL DIAGNOSTICS AND ASSESSMENT METHODS**Chairs: Felix Ringshausen, Hannover (Germany),
Michal Loebinger, London (UK)**09.10 - 09.35 Lung Function Testing Findings***Wei-Jie Guan, Guangzhou, China***09.35 - 10.00 Biomarkers to assess severity & prognosis***Stefano Aliberti, Milan, Italy***10.00 - 10.25 Oral Abstract Presentation / Biomarkers in NTM-PD***To be announced***10.25 – 10.50 Genetics and Bronchiectasis***Kenneth Olivier, Bethesda, USA***10.50 – 11.00 Discussion****11.00 – 11.30 COFFEE BREAK**

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11.30 – 13.00 SESSION II: INHALED TREATMENTS

Chairs: James D. Chalmers, Dundee (UK),
David de la Rosa, Barcelona (Spain)

- 11.30 - 12.00** **Should we need Inhaled Steroids?**
Menno van der Eerden, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
- 12.00 - 12.30** **Inhaled antibiotics**
Charles Haworth, Cambridge, UK
- 12.30 - 12.50** **Oral Abstract Presentation**
(or my case is your case voting session)
To be announced
- 12.50 – 13.00** **Discussion**

13.00 – 14.00 LUNCH & STROLLING POSTERS' SESSIONS

14.00 – 15.30 SESSION III: FOCUS ON NON-TUBERCULOUS MYCOBACTERIA

Chair: Miguel Angel Martinez-Garcia, Valencia (Spain)

- 14.00 - 14.30** **NTM transmission: state of the art**
Andreas Floto, Cambridge, UK
- 14.30 - 15.00** **International guidelines on NTM**
Jakko van Ingen, Nijmegen, The Netherlands
- 15.00 - 15.20** **Oral Abstract Presentation / Severity Scores**
To be announced
- 15.20 – 15.30** **Discussion**

15.30 – 16.00 COFFEE BREAK

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16.00 - 16.40 KEYNOTE LECTURE

Chairs: Adam Hill, Edinburgh (UK), Tobias Welte, Hannover (Germany)

Research priorities in pulmonary NTM

Timothy Aksamit, Rochester, USA

Discussion

16.40 - 17.30 SESSION IV: CLINICAL TRIALS

Chairs: James D. Chalmers, Dundee (UK), Alan Barker, Portland (USA)

16.40 - 17.00 Oral Abstract Presentation

To be announced

17.00 - 17.20 Oral Abstract Presentation

To be announced

17.20 - 17.30 Discussion

17.30 - 18.30 TOPIC TO BE DEFINED

18.30 - 19.10 KEYNOTE LECTURE

Chair: Michal Shteinberg, Haifa (Israel)

Microbiome in Bronchiectasis and in NTM infections

Leopoldo Segal, New York, USA

Discussion

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19th December 2020**08.30 - 09.00 LECTURE**

Chair: Oriol Sibila, Barcelona (Spain)

Role of Registries: the Indian Example*Raja Dhar, Kolkata, India***Discussion****09.00 – 10.40 SESSION V: MICROBIOME NEW FRONTIERS**

Chairs: Montserrat Vendrell, Girona (Spain)

Stefano Aliberti, Milan (Italy)

09.00 - 09.30 Eradication in the era of microbiome*James D. Chalmers, Dundee, UK***09.30 - 10.00 Functional effects of the microbiome / mycobiome***Sanjay Chotirmall, Singapore, Singapore***10.00 - 10.30 Pseudomonas aeruginosa leading pathogen in the bronchiectasis microbiota?***Antoni Torres, Barcelona, Spain***10.30 – 10.40 Discussion****10.40 – 11.10 COFFEE BREAK****11.10 – 12.10 SESSION VI: FOCUS ON BRONCHIECTASIS**Chairs: Miguel Angel Martinez-Garcia (Spain), Rosanel Amaro,
Barcelona (Spain)**11.10 - 11.40 Bronchiectasis insanity***Mark Metersky, Farmington, USA***11.40 - 12.00 Oral Abstract Presentation**

(or my case is your case voting session)

*To be announced***12.00 – 12.10 Discussion**

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12.10 - 12.50 KEYNOTE LECTURE

Chairs: Wei-Jie Guan, Guangzhou (China), Anne O'Donnel, Washington, (USA)

Lessons learnt from CF: implications for bronchiectasis

Stuart Elborn, Belfast, UK

12.50 – 13.50 LUNCH & STROLLING POSTERS' SESSIONS

13.50 – 16.00 SESSION VII: BRONCHIECTASIS ASSOCIATED DISEASES

Chairs: Gregory Tino, Philadelphia, USA

13.50 - 14.10 Bronchiectasis & NTM

Felix Ringshausen, Hannover, Germany

14.10 - 14.30 Bronchiectasis in Severe Asthma: combined treatment options

Francesco Blasi, Milan, Italy

14.30 - 14.50 Management of COPD and Bronchiectasis

Ernesto Crisafulli, Verona, Italy

14.50 - 15.10 Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency

Timm Greulich, Marburg, Germany

15.10 - 15.30 Aspergillus in Bronchiectasis

Antony De Soyza, Newcastle, UK

15.30 – 16.00 Discussion

16.00-16.20 CLOSING ADDRESS

Chairs: Antoni Torres, Barcelona (Spain), Francesco Blasi, Milan (Italy)

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Important dates

Call of abstracts opening	16 th December 2019
Call for abstracts closing	21 st September 2020
Deadline for abstract evaluation by Board	11 th October 2020
Communication to submitter for oral presentation and poster	20 th October 2020
Early Registrations deadline	26 th October 2020
Latest breaking abstracts window (for poster only):	7 th – 16 th November
Deadline evaluation latest breaking abstracts:	23 rd November 2020
Communication to submitter for latest breaking posters	30 th November 2020

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Registration fees

Registration Fees*	Early Reg. Fees (up to 26 th Oct. 2020)	Regular Reg. Fees (from 26 th Oct. to 10 th Dec.)	Late Reg. Fees (from 11 th Dec. and on-site)
Researcher & Medical Doctor	€ 350	€ 400	€ 500
Trainees / Students**	€ 195	€ 245	€ 330
Physiotherapists / Nurses**	€ 195	€ 245	€ 330
Industry staff members	€ 800	€ 900	€ 1.000
Meet the professors courses***	€ 25 each	€ 25 each	€ 50 each <i>(if places available)</i>

* Rates reported above do not include French VAT (currently 20%).

** Please, provide supportive document.

***Please note that places are limited, registration to the courses are on a first-come first-served basis.

For each registration a **handling fee of € 15 + VAT** will be charged.

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES

- Attendance to the Main Scientific Session
- Conference kit
- Welcome Cocktail
- Lunch and Refreshments during breaks
- Access to the Poster Area & Exhibition

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

- Cancellation or modification of registration must be sent in writing to the Organising Secretariat Publi Créations (wbc@publiccreations.com)
All refunds will be settled after the Conference.
- Before 26 October 2020 all fees will be refunded less € 40 for administrative charges.
- After 26 October 2020 no refunds will be made
- Until 26 October, name changes are free of charge. After 26 Oct. it will be invoiced € 40.

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ADMISSION

The participant's name badge will be provided at the registration desk. All participants are requested to wear the badge throughout the conference. Only badge holders will be admitted to the appropriate sessions, exhibition and social events.

PRESENCE CONTROL

Effective attendance is checked through badge scanning when going in and coming out of the plenary room.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

The certificate of attendance will be downloadable from the website www.world-bronchiectasis-conference.org using the personal log-in credentials sent by e-mail, starting from December 22th, 2020.

For Sponsored Groups: Please note that in order to send the certificate of attendance to each participant, we will need the personal e-mail address.

The Certificate of attendance will only be delivered to those having attended the Conference.

CME ACCREDITATION

UEMS & EBAP

4th World Bronchiectasis & NTM Conference, Nice, France, 17/12/2020-19/12/2020 has been granted **18 European CME credits** (ECMEC®s) by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME®) as well as **16 European CME** credits by the European Board for Accreditation in Pneumology (EBAP)

AIFA

For Italian Sponsors or Sponsored Groups from Italy, the AIFA dossier should be submitted no later than April 30, 2020. Please contact the secretariat to know which is the Italian Agency taking care of the AIFA pre-request. The Organising Secretariat will provide all the required documents within September 15, 2020. The procedure must be completed by the Sponsor within October 14, 2020 and officially communicated to the Organising Secretariat.

LANGUAGE

The official language of the Conference is English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

LETTER OF INVITATION

The Secretariat will be pleased to send letters of invitation to any participant making such request. A letter of invitation often facilitates the procedure of obtaining a Visa. Please note that the letter is not a commitment on behalf of the Conference to provide any financial support.

SECRETARIAT

The secretariat desk will open on Thursday, December 17th, 2020 at 12:00 and stay open throughout the Conference.

INSURANCE

The Conference organisers cannot accept liability for personal injuries sustained, or for loss or damage to property belonging to Conference participants, either during or as a result of the Conference. Registration does not include insurance. It is strongly recommended to subscribe an insurance policy of your choice as you register for the Conference and book your travel.

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