

# ANNUAL SEMINAR

CANCEROPÔLE PROVENCE-ALPES-CÔTE D'AZUR

13<sup>TH</sup>  
EDITION

PALAIS DES CONGRÈS - SAINT-RAPHAËL

1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY  
2026

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09:00 WELCOME COFFEE

09:45 OPENING SESSION & INAUGURAL LECTURE  
"INNOVATION IN ONCOLOGY: KEY ROLE OF AI"

Clara Ducord, Canceropôle's Director  
& Maureen Clerc, Inria UniCA Director & Canceropôle's Vice-President

10:15 CROSSING DISCIPLINES IN ONCOLOGY: FROM IA TO BIOPHYSICS  
THROUGH IMAGING

- "From Algorithms to Clinic: Translational AI in Oncology" - Marco Lorenzi, Inria / Olivier Humbert, IBV
- "Stimulated Raman histology in the operatory room: new developments in microscopy and endoscopy" - Hervé Rigneault, Institut Fresnel

10:50 BMS SYMPOSIUM "TRANSLATIONAL ADVANCES IN LYMPHOID  
AND MYELOID MALIGNANCIES"

- "Translational research on B cell lymphoma: from single-cell to spatial omics" - Pierre Milpied, CIML
- "Myelodysplasia: News and Innovation from Bench to Bedside" - Thomas Cluzeau, C3M

11:30 "INVESTOR EXPECTATIONS REGARDING INNOVATIONS IN ONCOLOGY"

Youssef L. Bennani, Managing Partner-CTI Life Sciences Fund

11:50 TEASING START-UPS: BIPER TX - CELLURA - KEKKAN BIOLOGICS - ZOKORbio  
MASSALIA TX - MOHICAN - ORTHOS TX - ROCA TX - NIKAIA PHARMACEUTICALS  
SAMENA DX

12:10 PARTNERING FOR INNOVATION IN CANCER RESEARCH:  
FROM IMMUNITY TO METABOLISM

- MedChemExpress: "Reprogramming neutrophils to overcome immunotherapy resistance in metastatic breast cancer" - Lola Bellone, IRCAN
- PHC Europe B.V: "Live Cell Metabolic Analyzer - From snapshots to continuous profiling: opening new insights into cellular metabolism" - Clarisse Lemattre, Area Sales Specialist France
- Société Française du Cancer

12:30 LUNCH BREAK / PLATFORMS, INDUSTRIALS & POSTER SESSION

14:00 "UNRAVELING TUMOR-IMMUNE CROSSTALK IN BREAST CANCER -  
TOWARDS PERSONALIZED IMMUNE INTERVENTION STRATEGIES"

Karin E. de Visser, Netherlands Cancer Institute

14:45 TUMOR MICROENVIRONMENT & EXTRACELLULAR DYNAMICS

- Project: "Neutrophil Extracellular Traps promote cancer initiation" - Jean Albrengues, IRCAN
- Oral Communication: "Leukemic onset disrupts the niche stromal cell compartment balance, altering healthy hematopoiesis" - Daniele Murari, CRCM
- Project: "Identification of biomarkers from the ECM-Immune cells axis to predict response to anti-pd-1 immunotherapy in HNSCC" - Fabienne Anjuère, IPMC
- Oral Communication: "Heterogeneity and functional roles of cancer associated fibroblasts in cutaneous squamous cell carcinoma progression" - Lydia Artières, IRCAN

15:45 COFFEE BREAK / PLATFORMS, INDUSTRIALS & POSTER SESSION

16:15 MOLECULAR BASIS AND INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES IN CANCER RESEARCH

- Project: "An inducible multiciliated cell line resolves proteome dynamics and identifies CDK7 as a conserved regulator" - Camille Boutin, IBDM
- Project: "Engineering innovative Microchips through Protein Printing: Advanced Functional Leukocyte Testing for Immunotherapy" - Olivier Theodoly, LAI

16:45 COOLING BREAK / PLATFORMS, INDUSTRIALS & POSTER SESSION

17:45 END OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY

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**08:45 WELCOME COFFEE**

**09:00 DAIICHI-SANKYO SYMPOSIUM "UPDATES ON THE CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT OF ANTIBODY-DRUG CONJUGATES (ADCs) IN ONCOLOGY"**

- Alexandre de Nonneville, CRCM

**09:20 GENE REGULATION AND FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS**

- **Oral Communication:** "Dissecting oncogenic enhancers by CRISPRi screening in T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukaemia" - **Nathalie Sakakini, TAGC**
- **Oral Communication:** "Comprehensive single-cell transcriptome stratification of pancreatic cancer identified phenotype-associated treatment response profiles" - **Vladimir Chocloff, CRCM**

**09:50 ROUND TABLE "STAKEHOLDERS PERSPECTIVES IN CANCER RESEARCH"**

Mina Daban (LMC France, President), Bruno Quesnel (INCa, Head of Research & Innovation) & Norbert Vey (Canceropôle Sud, President)

**10:20 COFFEE BREAK / PLATFORMS, INDUSTRIALS & POSTER SESSION**

**11:00 FROM IMMUNOTHERAPY TO IMMUNE EVASION**

- **Project:** "GD3, a promising therapeutic target for CAR T-cells against glioblastoma stem cells" - **Emeline Tabouret, INP**
- **Featured Publication:** "A ganglioside-based immune checkpoint enables senescent cells to evade immunosurveillance during aging" - **Julien Cherfils-Vicini, IRCAN**
- **Oral Communication:** "Immunological effects of FLT3 inhibitors in the post-transplant period in acute myeloid leukemia" - **Chloé Delaby, C3M**
- **Project:** "ASS1 and arginine synthesis pathway plays a critical role in melanoma resistance" - **Michaël Cerezo, C3M**

**12:00 LUNCH BREAK / PLATFORMS, INDUSTRIALS & POSTER SESSION**

**13:30 METABOLIC REGULATION AND CELLULAR STRESS IN CANCER**

- **Featured Publication:** "Hypusination of the translation factor eIF5A regulates mitochondrial tRNA processing to promote prostate cancer aggressiveness" - **Michel Kahi, C3M**
- **Oral Communication:** "Tumor metabolic adaptation induced by L-asparaginase reveals a vulnerability to PARP1/2 inhibitor Olaparib in B-cell lymphomas" - **Johanna Chiche, C3M**
- **Oral Communication:** "The mannosyltransferase DPM1 regulates the activity of ER-stress sensor IRE1 in colorectal cancer" - **Hussein ISSAOUI, C3M**

**14:15 HEALTH DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE PRESENTATION**

**14:30 THE POTENTIALITIES OF DRAWING AS A RESEARCH TOOL**

- Josune Urrutia Asua, ICI / Iméra Chair

**14:45 "THE TALENTED RESEARCHERS STEP ON STAGE" SCIENCE POPULARIZATION SESSION**

- Elias Ventre - CRCM
- Cécile Favreau - C3M
- Franck Delaunay - iBV
- Alix Lienard - CRCM

**15:15 CROSSING DISCIPLINES IN ONCOLOGY: FROM IA TO BIOPHYSICS THROUGH IMAGING**

- **Project:** "From Serendipity to Therapeutic Opportunity: Translational Development of Amidinoureas as Antimelanoma Agents" - **Cyril Ronco, ICN**
- "Mechanical Cues in Tumors: From Cellular Behavior to Diagnosis" - **Michael Sebbagh, DyNaMo**

**15:45 AWARDS CEREMONY**

**16:00 CLOSING CEREMONY**

Norbert Vey, Canceropôle's President, CEO Institut Paoli-Calmettes

**16:15 END OF THE SEMINAR**

