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(AS OF TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2020)

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| TUESDAY OCTOBER 20 07:00 EST/13:00 CEST/21:00 CST | 51 st Union World Conference Official Press Conference <i>Opening Press Conference</i> | | Chair: Grania Brigden , Director, TB Department, International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union), Switzerland Speakers: Ren Minghui , WHO Assistant Director-General for Universal Health Coverage/Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases, Switzerland Shannon Hader , Deputy Executive, UNAIDS, Switzerland Divya Sojan , TB Survivor and Nurse, India Claire Forlani , Film &TV actress, TB Ambassador, The Union, UK |
| | Use of virtual -and community delivery- platforms to prevent MDR-TB treatment interruption during the national COVID-19 response: lessons from Uganda (OA-14-590-22) | Wednesday October 21 12:30-13:50 | Enock Kizito , MDR-TB Advisor, USAID Defeat TB Project, Uganda |
| | A global survey of potential acceptance of a COVID-19 vaccine | Wednesday October 21 15:00-16:30 | Jeffrey Lazarus , Head of the Health Systems Research Group, Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal), Spain |
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| WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21 10:00 EST/16:00 CEST/22:00 CST | 51 st Union World Conference Official Press Conference <i>Lung Health Scientific Highlights</i> | | Chair: Paula Fujiwara , Scientific Director, The Union Speakers: |
| | Finding missing patients: yield of targeted universal testing for tuberculosis in high-risk groups presenting to 30 primary health care facilities in South Africa (OA-23-646-23) | Friday October 23 11:00-12:20 | Rebecca Berhanu , Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Global Health School of Public Health, Boston University U.S. |
| | High-dose rifapentine with or without moxifloxacin for shortening treatment of tuberculosis: TBTC Study 31/ACTG A5349 phase 3 clinical trial results (Symposia) | Wednesday October 21 16:30-17:50 | Susan Dorman , Professor, Division of Infectious Diseases, Medical University of South Carolina, U.S. |
| | Birth outcomes of pregnant women exposed to isoniazid preventive therapy (Symposia) | Wednesday October 21 11:00-12:20 | Sikhethiwe Masuku ,_Research Nurse, South African Medical Research Council, South Africa |
| | Non-invasive respiratory aerosol sampling using masks for detection of pulmonary tuberculosis in children (OA-11-564-22) | Thursday October 22 11:00-12:20 | Kalpana Sriraman , Senior Research Officer, Foundation for Medical Research, Tuberculosis, Mumbai, India |
| Assessing the economic impact of TB mortality in 165 countries: what it will cost if we don't achieve the End TB targets (OA-29-680-23) | Friday October 23 15:00-16:20 | Sachin Silva , Doctoral candidate and fellow, Harvard University, U.S. | |

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| THURSDAY OCTOBER 22 08:00 EST/14:00 CEST/20:00 CST | | | |
| | 51 st Union World Conference Official Press Conference <i>COVID-19 Scientific Highlights</i> | | Chair: Grania Brigden , Director, TB Department, (The Union), Switzerland Speakers: |
| | Comparative evaluation of the clinical accuracy of SARS-CoV-2 serological rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs) and manual ELISAs (LB-2022-22) | Thursday October 22 15:00-16:20 | Jilian Sacks , Senior Scientific Officer, Pandemic Preparedness, Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics (FINN), Switzerland |
| | Tuberculosis and COVID-19 Co-infection among people with cough screened during the active case finding of COVID-19 in community with a high prevalence of tuberculosis (LB-2122-22) | Thursday October 22 15:00-16:20 | Marco Tovar , Medical Director, Partners in Health, Peru |
| | Pathogenesis and immunology of COVID-19 in pregnant women (Symposia) | Saturday October 24 12:30 - 13:50 | Kristina Adams Waldorf , Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Washington, U.S. |
| Pregnancy and Postpartum Outcomes of COVID-19 in New York City: A Multi-center Prospective Cohort Study (Symposia) | Saturday October 24 12:30 - 13:50 | Malavika Prabhu , Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Weill Cornell Medicine, U.S. | |