

# Hantaviridae CORC

Emergency scientific consultation on Andes Virus  
Medical Countermeasures R&D

## AGENDA

**15 May 2026**

**13:00 – 16:00 Central European Time**

Format: Virtual (Zoom)



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**Chairperson: Yper Hall (UKHSA)**

Time	Topic	Speaker
13:00 – 13:05	Welcome remarks & objectives	CORC Lead Yper Hall (UKHSA)
13:05 – 13:10	Opening of the meeting	Vasee Moorthy/Sylvie Briand (WHO)
<b>Session 1. Current Epidemiological Situation &amp; Transmission Dynamics</b> <b>Chair: Nicole Tischler</b>		
13:10 – 13:20	Epi update and Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) response work	Olivier LePolain (WHO) Vicky Houssiere (WHO)
13:20 – 13:35	Historical human-to-human transmission studies	Claudia Campillo (Seremi de Salud Valdivia, Chile)
13:35 – 13:45	Genomics and transmission	Gustavo Palacios (Icahn School of Medicine, the USA)
13:45 – 14:00	Panel Q&A	Session Speakers and invited panellists Moussa Moise Diagne (Institute Pasteur de Dakar, Senegal) Maritza Navarrete (Hospital Base de Valdivia, Chile)
<b>Session 2. Natural History &amp; Multi-National Coordination</b> <b>Chair: Libby Higgs</b>		
14:15 – 14:25	Clinical management	Jamie Rylance/Janet Diaz (WHO)
14:25 – 14:35	Natural history protocol – overview	Roger Paredes (Hospital Germans Trias i Pujol, Spain)
14:35 – 14:45	Risk communication and factors affecting adherence to public health and social measures	Charles Symons/Richard Amlot (UKHSA)
14:45– 15:00	Panel Q&A	Session Speakers and Invited panellists Kennie Baillie (University of Edinburgh, the United Kingdom) Frank van de Veerdonk (Radboud University, Netherlands) Jennie Johnstone (University of Toronto, Canada) Pablo Vial (Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile) <b>TBD</b>

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<b>Session 3. Diagnostics, Therapeutics, and Vaccines</b>		
<b>Chair: Yazdan Yazdanpanah</b>		
15:00 – 15:10	Overview of diagnostic approaches	Ismail Bashir (WHO)
15:10 – 15:20	Overview of therapeutic approaches	Marco Cavaleri (EMA)
15:20 – 15:30	Overview of vaccine approaches	William Dowling (CEPI)
15:30 – 15:50	Panel Q & A	Session Speakers and invited panellists <b>Rep TBD</b> (European Vaccine Hub) Xavier de Lamballerie (Inserm) Nicole Tischler (University of San Sebastian, Chile)
15:50 – 16:00	Summary	Yper Hall (UKHSA) Vasee Moorthy (WHO)