

ECM2026



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congress

Tentative Program

14-17 June 2026
Tivoli Congress Center
Copenhagen, Denmark

Sunday, June 14

14:00 - 16:00	Registration	Reception
15:00 - 16:00	Break-out session: Translational ECM research Harlekin	Break-out session: Fibroaging Columbine
16:00 - 17:30	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair's welcome and introduction Keynote: Dr. Maja Sofie Thiele 	Congress hall
17:30 - 19:00	Welcome reception Cocktails and celebration Reception	Poster session A Poster talk at 18:00 Congress hall (rear section)

Monday, June 15

08:00 - 08:45	Speed networking	Harlekin
08:00 - 08:45	Scientific industry session: Precision medicine and the ECM	Pjerrot
09:00 - 10:30	Plenary session 1: Intestines and the ECM: a target to treat? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invited speaker: Dr. Florian Rieder Invited speaker: Dr. Bram Verstockt Abstract 1: TBD Abstract 2: TBD Abstract 3: TBD 	Congress hall
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break and exhibition	Reception
11:00 - 12:30	Plenary session 2: Fibroblasts vs cancer cells - who is in control? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invited speaker: Dr. Thomas R. Cox Invited speaker: Dr. Don Lynn Gibbons Abstract 1: TBD Abstract 2: TBD Abstract 3: TBD 	Congress hall



Monday, June 15

12:30 - 13:15	Lunch and exhibition	
13:15 - 14:15	Break-out session: Harlekin Degradomics and proteomics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dr. Alexander Eckersley ◦ Abstract 1: TBD ◦ Abstract 2: TBD ◦ Abstract 3: TBD 	Break-out session: Columbine Young investigators, Biotech/pharma career paths & entrepreneurship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dr. Lykke Hinsch Gylvin ◦ Dr. Mads Bastrup Israelsen
14:30 - 16:00	Plenary session 3: Tissue destruction in autoimmunity and chronic inflammation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Invited speaker: Dr. Dana Orange ◦ Invited speaker: Dr. Kevin Wei ◦ Abstract 1: TBD ◦ Abstract 2: TBD ◦ Abstract 3: TBD Congress hall	
16:00 - 16:30	Coffee break and exhibition	
16:30 - 17:30	Lightning talks Harlekin Title: TBD	Lightning talks Columbine Title: TBD
17:30 - 18:30	Break-out session: Harlekin ECM biomarkers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dr. Philipp Scherer 	Break-out session: Columbine The role of B-cells in inflammation regression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dr. Detlef Schuppan



Tuesday, June 16

08:00 - 08:45	Fun Run Meeting point: reception	
08:00 - 08:45	Break-out session: Harlekin ECM Pharmacology: Liver disease	Break-out session: Columbine ECM Pharmacology: IBD and skin
09:00 - 10:30	Plenary session 4: Dermatology - a sign of a systemic disease Congress hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invited speaker: Dr. Andrea Heinz Invited speaker: Dr. Christian Vestergaard Abstract 1: TBD Abstract 2: TBD Abstract 3: TBD 	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break and exhibition	
11:00 - 12:30	Plenary session 5: Drivers of multi-organ fibrosis Congress hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invited speaker: Dr. Dinesh Khanna Invited speaker: Dr. Manu Chakravarthy Abstract 1: TBD Abstract 2: TBD Abstract 3: TBD 	
12:30 - 14:15	Lunch, posters and exhibition Reception and congress hall (rear section) <div> 13:00 - 14:00 Poster session B 13:30 - 14:00 Poster talks </div>	
13:30 - 14:30	Break-out session: Cancer biology and the ECM Harlekin	Break-out session: Fibroblast heterogeneity Columbine
14:30 - 16:00	Plenary session 6: The epithelium as a barrier: IPF & COPD Congress hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invited speaker: Dr. Gisli Jenkins Invited speaker: Dr. Eric White Abstract 1: TBD Abstract 2: TBD Abstract 3: TBD 	
16:00 - 16:30	Coffee break and exhibition	
16:30 - 17:15	Keynote session: Dr. Scott Friedman Congress hall	
18:00 - 24:00	Congress dinner Meeting point: reception Separate ticket needed	

Wednesday, June 17

08:00 - 09:00	ECM biomarker consortia – cross organ inspiration	
09:00 - 11:00	Plenary session 7: ECM in health and disease – a target to treat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Dr. Thomas Barker ◦ Dr. John Varga ◦ Lightning talks 	Congress hall
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 - 12:30	Close of congress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Award ceremony ◦ Keynote: Dr. Alexandra Naba 	Congress hall