

From Discovery to Publication

Welcome to a Joint Workshop on Infection and Inflammation at the Crossroads of Science and Publishing



We are delighted to invite you to an exclusive two-day immunology workshop at the iconic LEGO venue in Billund, Denmark—a city synonymous with creativity and innovation.

This prestigious event is designed to bring together leading journal editors, principal investigators, and early-career researchers in a dynamic setting that fosters scientific exchange, publishing insights, and networking.

Workshop Highlights:

Confidential one-on-one meetings between principal investigators and editors, where cutting-edge, unpublished research will be pitched for direct feedback and discussion of journal fit.

Young researcher sessions featuring oral and poster presentations. Editors will join the evaluation committee, ensuring fair recognition of the best contributions.

Keynote lecture **in neuroscience**, offering latest perspectives on the advances within the crossfield of neurology and inflammation.

Editors Insights, where leading editors share insider advice on what makes a strong paper, successful publishing strategies, and how to navigate the peer-review process.

This workshop provides a rare opportunity for research leaders to engage directly with decision-makers in high-impact scientific publishing, while also inspiring and supporting the next generation of immunologists. Collectively this workshop will support Danish scientists to bring their research to the highest level, creating impact in the field of infection and inflammation.

Workshop Details

Dates: **January 29-30, 2026**
Location: **LEGO Conference Center, Billund, Denmark**



Program January 29-30, 2026

Day 1	Common program	Editor program	
0830-0900	Registration		
0900-0930	Welcome by Christian Holm, AU Keynote Lecture: Søren Paludan		
0930-1030	Oral abstract session 1	Slot 1: 0935-1005 Slot 2: 1010-1040	
1030-1100	Coffee and sponsor exhibit	Coffee and sponsor exhibit	
1100-1200	Oral abstract session 2	Slot 1: 1100-1130 Slot 2: 1135-1205.	
1200-1300	Lunch	Lunch	
1300-1415	Oral abstract session 3	Slot 1: 1300-1330 Slot 2: 1345-1415	
1415-1445	Break and sponsor exhibit	Break and sponsor exhibit	
1445-1530	Keynote Lecture Micheal T. Heneka	Keynote Lecture	
1530-1730	Poster presentations and coffee	Editors visit posters and give feedback to students.	
1800-1900	Dinner	Dinner	
1930-2200	Departure for Lego House visit	Departure for Lego House visit	
2200-	Hotel bar open	Hotel bar open	

Day 2	Common program	Editor program	
	Breakfast	Breakfast	
0900-1030	Editors' insight	Editors' insight	
1030-1100	Coffee	Coffee	
1100-1300	Oral abstract presentation 4	Slot 1: 1100-1125 Slot 2: 1125-1150 Slot 3:1150-1215 Slot 4:1215-1245	
1300-1315	Closing remarks and awards to best poster and oral presentation		
1315-14	Lunch		
1415	Departure		

Oral presentations and flash talks break down schedule

Day 1	
<p>09:30-10:30</p> <p>Oral abstract session 1</p>	<p><i>Oral presentation from abstract (15 min)</i></p> <p>09:30: Anne Louise Hansen: STING Activation by Cyclic Dinucleotides induces IFN-λ and not IFN-β in Human Airway Epithelium</p> <p>09:45: Annika Sünderhauf: Defective ASK2-mediated apoptosis drives SARS-CoV-2 post-infectious hyperinflammation</p> <p><i>Flash talk from abstract (6 min)</i></p> <p>10:00: Leandro Silva da Costa: Dual effects of Vesicular Stomatitis Virus variants on NLRP1 activation reveal divergent host-virus interactions</p> <p>10:06: Maria Lange Pedersen: Identification of antiviral targets against measles virus infection</p> <p>10:12: Simon Nørregaard Agersnap: Single-antibody mutational scanning of SARS-Cov-2 specific antibodies reveals poly-specificity and immune constraints in vaccination responses</p> <p>10:18: Nathalie Jäck: An in vitro system for testing human antibody responses to carbohydrate antigens</p>
<p>11:00-12:00 Oral abstract session 2</p>	<p><i>Oral presentation from abstracts (15min)</i></p> <p>11:00: Zeljka Brkic: Repeated HSV-1 Infections Modulate Amyloid β Deposition and Neuroinflammatory Responses in a Mouse Model of Alzheimer's Disease</p> <p>11:15: Nastassia Knödlseder: Development of Cutibacterium acnes as a Chassis for Skin-Delivered biologics</p> <p><i>Flash talk from abstract (6 min)</i></p> <p>11:30: Lili Hu: Deleterious variants in the autophagy-related gene RB1CC1/FIP200 impair immunity to SARS-CoV-2</p> <p>11:36: Renee van der Sluis: Haploinsufficiency of SLC15A4 in a patient with critical COVID-19 reveals a plasmacytoid dendritic cell specific inborn error of type I interferon immunity</p>

	<p>11:42: Ibrahim Alzaim: An interferon-driven immunomodulatory endothelial state in human adipose tissue</p> <p>11:48: Jian Zhao: Ceramide retains STING in the ER to control activation of signaling</p>
<p>13:00-14:15</p> <p>Oral abstract session 3</p>	<p><i>Oral presentation from abstract (15min)</i></p> <p>13:00: Kathrine Pedersen: Slamming the Brakes on Autoimmunity: Inhibition of the CD40-CD40L pathway utilizing a Fab fragment</p> <p>13:15: Madison Clark: Lipoxins preserve lymphatic and blood vasculature architecture in obesity independent of metabolic improvement</p> <p><i>Flash talk from abstract (6 min)</i></p> <p>13:30: Celine Thiesen: Anti-topoisomerase 1 antibody bioactivity is associated with clinical outcomes in systemic sclerosis</p> <p>13:36: Kenneth Green: Heterozygous AID C-Terminal Truncation Causes Hyper-IgM Syndrome, but GC-like Cues Rescue Class Switching ex vivo</p> <p>13:42: Mads Brüner: Formation and Functional Assessment of Citrullinated Peptide-ACPA Immune Complexes in Human PBMCs</p> <p>13:48: Emilia Holm: Purification of anti-topoisomerase specific plasma blasts and memory B-cells</p> <p>13:54: Malgorzata Maria Pakula: First generation high-Affinity Molecularly Imprinted Polymers for potential treatment of Phenylketonuria</p> <p>14:00: Clàudia Río-Bergé: The role of ER-phagy in virus infections</p>
Day 2	
<p>11:00-13:00</p> <p>Oral abstract session 4</p>	<p><i>Oral presentation from abstract (15min)</i></p> <p>11:00: Lea Skovmand Jensen: Cancer cell-intrinsic STING signaling drives immune escape in Melanoma associated with MHC-I downregulation</p> <p>11:15: Naziia Kurmasheva : Electrophilic Fragment Screen Discovers a Dual JAK1-TXNRD1 Modulator that Potentiates VSVΔ51 Oncolytic Virotherapy</p> <p><i>Flash talk from abstract (6 min)</i></p> <p>11:30: Stig Henrik Andersen: Mapping niche dynamics at single-cell resolution to boost the regenerative potential of aged skeletal muscle</p> <p>11:36: Bianca E. Suur: Desensitized peripheral inflammatory response in metabolically unhealthy obesity</p>

11:42: **Tobias Wang Bjerg**: Distinguishing regulatory signals between plasmacytoid dendritic cells and cancer cells that drives cytotoxicity

11:48: **Yolanda Solans Bara**: Exploring Ferroptosis in Prostate Cancer

10 min biobreak

Oral presentation from abstract (15min)

12:10: **Mathilde Søbye Blaavand**: Periostin and ROCK1 drive diffuse morphology in a distinct subgroup of tumor cells in GBM

12:25: **Ida Holten-Møller**: Targeting nucleotide metabolism modulates anti-tumor immune responses in pancreatic cancer

Flash talk from abstract (6 min)

12:40: **Marina Císcar García**: Pyrimidine Synthesis Inhibition Rewires Iron Metabolism in Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma

12:46: **Lolita Dokshokova**: Single-Cell Insights into Cellular Communication Underlying Vessel Co-option in Human Colorectal Liver Metastases