New Diagnostics Working Group

ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, 3rd December 2009, 13:00 – 17:00
Fiesta America Grand Coral Beach Hotel, Cancun, Mexico
Coral Gallery Ballroom Ground Level

Come and hear what’s new in diagnostics for TB

The Stop TB Partnership Working Group on New Diagnostics invites you to its annual meeting that will be held in Cancun, Mexico, in conjunction with the 40th Union World Conference on Lung Health.

The Working Group on New TB Diagnostics aims to coordinate and facilitate the development of widely accessible diagnostic tests to accelerate control of the global TB epidemic.

Don’t miss this opportunity to obtain information about the latest findings and tools being developed in the TB diagnostics field.

Co-Chairs: Dr Giorgio Roscigno, Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva
Dr Madhukar Pai, McGill University, Montreal
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(Meeting agenda overleaf)
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AGENDA

13.00 Welcome  
Dr Giorgio Roscigno & Dr Madhukar Pai (NDWG Co-Chairs)

13.10 The New Diagnostics Working Group: 2009 Achievements  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Giorgio Roscigno, Co-Chair, NDWG

13.30 Mapping the landscape and quality of TB diagnostic research  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Madhukar Pai, Co-chair, NDWG & Dr Christian Lienhardt, Stop TB Research Movement

13.55 Improved methods for Sputum Smear Microscopy  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Karen Steingart, University of California

14.20 Non commercial Culture Methods for diagnosis of TB and rapid screening of patients at risk of drug-resistant tuberculosis  
Questions: 5 minutes  
Dr Max Salfinger, Florida Department of Health

14.45 Coffee break

15.00 Review of biomarkers for Point-of-Care TB tests  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Suman Laal, New York University

15.25 Childhood TB Sub group: an introduction  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Anneke Hesseling, Stellenbosch University & Dr Steve Graham, Royal Children’s Hospital

15.50 New rapid molecular technological platforms and new frontiers towards a POC TB test  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Mark Perkins, Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics

16.15 Remaining gaps for strengthened TB diagnostic services  
Questions: 5 mins  
Dr Anne Detjen, TREAT TB team

16.40 Wrap up and heading to Berlin  
Dr Giorgio Roscigno/Madhukar Pai, Co-Chairs, NDWG

17.00 Close of meeting