

Cancer Epigenetics

OCTOBER 13TH - 16TH, 2026 | **PARIS, FRANCE**
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Fabrizio D'ADDA, *Italy*

Yamini DALAL, *USA*

Anabelle DECOTTIGNIES, *Belgium*

Tariq ENVER, *UK*

Trevor GRAHAM, *UK*

Kristian HELIN, *UK*

Nada JABADO, *Canada*

Dennis KAPPEL, *Singapore*

Camille LOBRY, *France*

Mathieu LUPIEN, *Canada*

Raphaël MARGUERON, *France*

Gioacchino NATOLI, *Italy*

Sophie POSTEL-VINAY, *France*

Béatrice RONDINELLI, *France*

Sandra SCHICK, *Germany*

Sara SDELCI, *Spain*

Davide SERUGGIA, *Austria*

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Céline VALLOT, *France*

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 2026

13:00 - 13:45 **Participants registration & Welcome**

13:45 - 14:00 Welcome Address from the organizers

SESSION 1

HETEROCHROMATIN AND EPIGENETIC COMPLEXES IN CANCER

14:00 - 14:45 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**
Histone mutations in cancer
Nada Jabado, Canada

14:45 - 15:00 Opposing Functions of SMARCA2/BRM and SMARCA4/BRG1 Paralogs
Shape KRAS-Driven Oncogenesis
Jyostna Karan, Italy

15:00 - 15:30 **Polycomb proteins in tumors**
Raphaël Margueron, France

15:30 - 16:00 **Targeting the SAGA complex in leukemia**
Davide Seruggia, Austria

16:00 - 16:15 Max bookmarking drives Myc-dependent hyper transcription
at TBP-bound promoters after mitosis
Inma Gonzales, France

16:15 - 16:45 **Coffee break around partners**



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 2026

16:45 - 17:15

Histone and RNA modifications in cancer

Yang Shi, UK

17:15 - 17:30

Single chromatin fiber analysis of canonical BAF-mediated chromatin remodeling

Matthieu Gerard, France

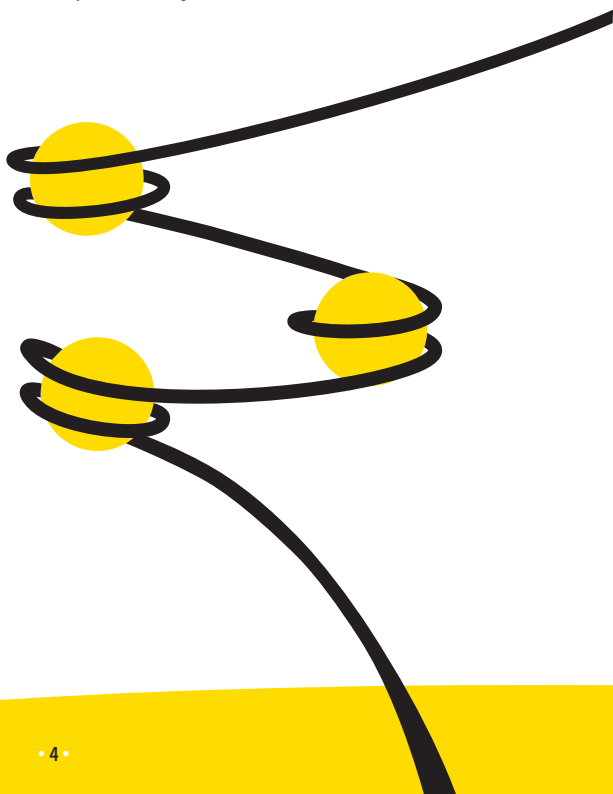
17:30 - 18:00

Is telomere biology and its manipulation controlled by epigenetic mechanisms?

Fabrizio d'Adda, Italy

19:00

Dinner *(for invited and selected speakers only)*



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 2026

08:30 - 09:00 **Participants registration & Welcome**

SESSION 2

LINKING EPIGENETICS AND GENOME STABILITY

09:00 - 09:30 **Overcoming therapy resistance in AML**

Camille Lobry, France

09:30 - 10:00 **Topoisomerases and chromatin biology in cancer**

Laura Baranello, Sweden

10:00 - 10:30 **Proteomics of genome stability**

Dennis Kappei, Singapore

10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee break around partners**

11:00 - 11:30 **Epigenetics of glioma**

Mehdi Touat, France

11:30 - 11:45 An R-loop-centred 3D genome organisation that coordinates
alternative splicing programs important for cancer cell invasion

Reini Luco, France

11:45 - 12:00 The Ewing sarcoma susceptibility gene TARDBP fine-tunes EWSR1::FLI1
oncogenic activity through a negative feedback loop

Hélène Neyret-Kahn, France

12:00 - 12:15 **Lightning talks for Poster Session 1**

12:15 - 14:00 **Lunch around partners**

& Poster Session 1



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SESSION 3
EPIGENETICS IN CANCER EVOLUTION

- 14:00 - 14:30** **Evolutionary dynamics of colon cancer**
Trevor Graham, UK
- 14:30 - 14:45** Acute Myeloid Leukemia with deletion 5q is an epigenetically distinct subgroup defined by haploinsufficiency of KDM3B
Michael Scherer, Germany
- 14:45 - 15:15** **Epigenetics of leukemia stem cells**
Tariq Enver, UK
- 15:15 - 15:45** **BAF chromatin remodellers in tissue homeostasis and cancer**
Sandra Schick, Germany
- 15:45 - 16:15** **Coffee break around partners**
- 16:15 - 16:30** Beyond genetic mutations: decoding early epigenetic mechanisms in lymphoma initiation
Camille Landragin, Switzerland
- 16:30 - 16:45** Epigenetic Adaptation Shapes Dormancy and Reveals Vulnerabilities in ER+ Breast Cancer
Dalia Rosano, UK
- 16:45 - 17:15** **DNA methylation in ovarian cancer**
Hui Shen, USA
- 17:15 - 17:30** A genetic screen identifies essential functions of UHRF1 in cancer
Matthieu Nolot, France
- 17:30 - 17:50** **Sponsor talk**
Volition, Circulating H3K27Me3-Nucleosome Improve Risk Stratification and Predict Overall Survival in Lung Cancer: Evidence from 1,141 Patients
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Volition
- 17:50** **Free evening**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2026

08:30 - 09:00 **Participants registration & Welcome**

SESSION 4 METABOLISM AND EPIGENETIC DYSREGULATION

09:00 - 09:30 **From Epigenomic Heterogeneity to Therapy Selection in Cancer**
Mathieu Lupien, Canada

09:30 - 09:45 Identifying Metabolism-Driven Tumor Plasticity in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinomas
Varun Sahu, USA

09:45 - 10:15 **Metabolism and telomere regulation**
Anabelle Decottignies, Belgium

10:15 - 10:30 Dopamine primes breast cancer cell organotropism and metastatic dormancy
Adam Karoutas, UK

10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee break around partners**

11:00 - 11:30 **Chromatin beyond epigenetics: a macromolecular metabolic sponge**
Sara Sdelci, Spain - EMBO Young Investigator Lecture



11:30 - 11:45 Molecular hijacking of developmental master regulators through BRD4-driven super-enhancers in pediatric and AYA gliomas
Annette Machado, USA

11:45 - 12:00 Loss of tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes and poor response to immunotherapy in IDH GOF mutant melanoma
Elena Torlai-Triglia, UK

12:00 - 12:15 **Lightning talks for Poster Session 2**

12:15 - 14:00 **Lunch around partners & Poster Session 2**



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2026

SESSION 5

PHENOTYPIC PLASTICITY AND CANCER EVOLUTION

- 14:00 - 14:30 **Centromere biology in cancer**
Yamini Dalal, USA
- 14:30 - 14:45 Dynamic H3K27me3 at bivalent chromatin domains shapes clonal phenotypes in breast cancer
Melanie Eckersley-Maslin, Australia
- 14:45 - 15:15 **Inflammation and cellular heterogeneity in pancreatic cancer**
Gioacchino Natoli, Italy
- 15:15 - 15:30 T follicular helper cells transiently unlock a plasticity state in germinal centre B cells during the humoral immune response
Laurianne Scourzac, France
- 15:30 - 16:00 **Coffee break around partners**
- 16:00 - 16:15 Bidirectional Cell State Plasticity Fuels Chemoresistance and Tumor Relapse in pediatric cancers
Laura Broutier, France
- 16:15 - 16:45 **Single-cell approaches to uncover resistance mechanisms in breast cancer**
Céline Vallot, France
- 16:45 - 17:00 Generation and optimization of epigenetic silencer factors to restrain glioblastoma growth
Alessandro Sessa, Italy
- 17:00 - 17:30 **Single-cell epigenomics of lymphoma**
Renee Beekman, Spain
- 19:00 **Gala dinner**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 2026

08:30 - 09:00 **Participants registration & Welcome**

SESSION 6 **TRANSLATIONAL EPIGENETICS**

09:00 - 09:30 **Treating cancer with epigenetic inhibitors**

Kristian Helin, UK

09:30 - 09:45 **Therapeutic targeting of oncogenic transcriptional biology in synovial sarcoma**

Gerry Brien, UK

09:45 - 10:15 **Decoding epigenetic heterogeneity in cancer**

Efrat Shema, Israel

10:15 - 10:30 **SMYD3 Proteolysis Targeting Chimeras in HPV-negative head and neck squamous cell carcinoma**

Vassiliki Saloura, USA

10:30 - 11:00 **Coffee break around partners**

11:00 - 11:30 **Translational epigenetics of sarcoma**

Sophie Postel-Vinay, France

11:30 - 12:00 **Chromatin enzymes in genome integrity maintenance: new insights**

Béatrice Rondinelli, France

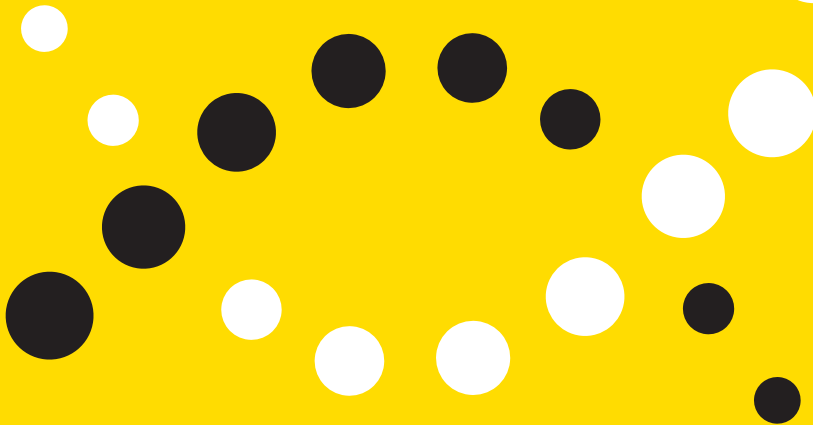
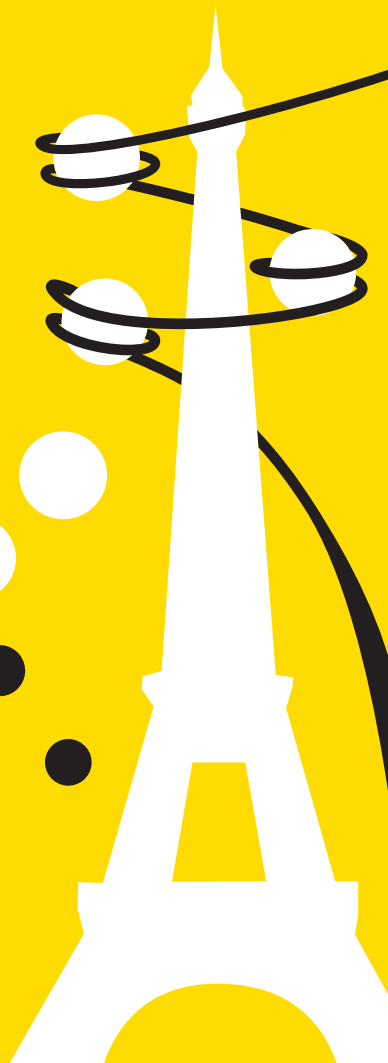
12:00 - 12:45 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**

Epigenomic regulation in cancer

Brad Bernstein, USA

12:45 - 13:00 **Poster prizes & Closing comments by the organizers**

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