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Cells as Models of Disease & New Therapeutics

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Immunotherapy

Immune therapies have had a major impact in the treatment of many human diseases, from early discoveries of bacterial cell wall components as vaccine adjuvants and corticosteroids for the treatment and prevention of asthma, through to the development of specific monoclonal antibodies which have revolutionised the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis. Despite advances in the development of immunotherapies, many patients with immune-mediated diseases still do not have their disease well controlled and there is a continuing need for better treatments. Our greatest challenges are to understand at a cellular and molecular level the mechanisms which control the innate and adaptive immune response in health and disease, and to use these findings to identify safer and more effective medicines.

In this track, scientists from academia and industry will present advances in target and disease biology and we will see examples of how these findings can be applied to develop next generation immune therapy drugs.

SESSION CHAIRS: Peter Morley, GlaxoSmithKline and **Rachel Chambers,** UCL

PLENARY KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Richard Eglen
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Rabinder Prinjha (GlaxoSmithKline)
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Tracy Hussell (Manchester University)
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