

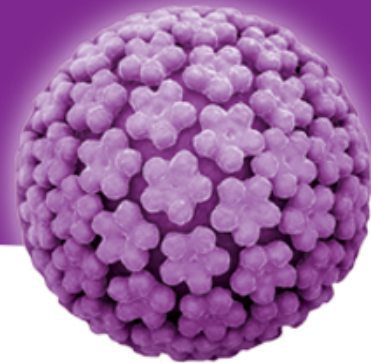
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Newsletter July 2019



News from IPVS



Dear colleagues and fellow members of IPVS.

Once again I have the pleasure of writing about IPVS activities and news of our membership. Re the latter, if you haven't renewed your membership please please do so, we need a healthy membership base if we are to be effective in our educational and advocacy activities and maintain the health of our Society.

Planning for the 33rd IPVC Barcelona 2020 <https://ipvconference.org/> is proceeding really well and we are on track for an excellent meeting. The plenary sessions cover research topics of importance for HPV research with a stellar roll call of speakers from basic immunology to therapeutics <https://ipvconference.org/plenary-speakers/>. The workshop programme is complete and the workshop organisers have recruited speakers who are leaders in their field to provide the state of the art overview of HPV molecular and immunobiology, clinical science and public health.

All that we need now are the abstracts, the engine of the conference that makes it the centre for communication of the latest in HPV research. Abstract submission is now open at <https://ipvconference.org/abstract-submission/> and we look forward to receiving your work.

IPVC Barcelona precedes the World Health Assembly May 2020 the decision-making body of WHO, at which it is expected that the Global Elimination of Cervical Cancer will be one of the key strategic priorities. Prevention and control of HPV infection is central to the IPVS mission and IPVS endorses campaigns with this objective, most recently -“Let’s End HPV-related Cancers” from the American Association for Cancer Research and in support of the World Immunisation Week I shared my views on the HPV vaccine effectiveness and safety in the [UICC blog](#). The theme of IPVC Barcelona is to harness the power of innovation from HPV research to deliver on global prevention and control of HPV related disease. At least 90% of cervical cancers are caused by HPV and IPVS totally supports and commits to the global strategy for the elimination of cervical cancer of WHO which aims at the present to have 90% of 15-year-old girls vaccinated against HPV, 70% of women screened with a precision test at 35 and 45 years and 90% of women with cervical disease treated by 2030. These are challenging and ambitious objectives but my philosophy is that problems are there to be solved, that is the role of the HPV researcher and members of IPVS. That attitude will be essential if the required vaccination, screening and treatment targets are to be met in the countries carrying the disease burden.

Some good news from the membership

Dr Denise Galloway director of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Pathogen-Associated Malignancies Integrated Research Center in Seattle USA was elected to the American Academy of Arts & Sciences a tremendous and very well deserved honour for a great scientist and role model for women in science.

Dr Lawrence Banks was elected Director-General of ICGEB Trieste Italy in May 2019. Lawrence is one of the leading HPV molecular virologists - many congratulations Lawrence on this prestigious appointment

Some sad news

In May all of us were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Dr Luciano Mariani, Co-coordinator of the HPV Unit Regina Elena National Cancer Institute, Rome Italy. Luciano was a delightful man, a distinguished HPV investigator, oncologist and a truly skilled communicator. His colleagues have organised a symposium in his honour at the Regina Elena National Cancer Institute in Rome November 28th 2019, a fitting tribute to one of the leading figures in HPV in Italy.

Finally, IPVS members have the opportunity to contribute to the development of the questionnaire to be used in Natsal - Britain’s National Survey of Sexual Attitudes and Lifestyles. [Click here to find out more information and to complete the survey](#). This is a great opportunity and I hope will

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Sincerely yours,

Margaret Stanley.



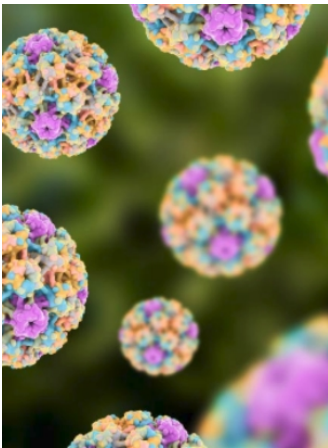
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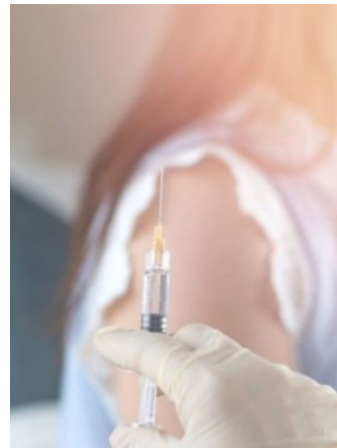
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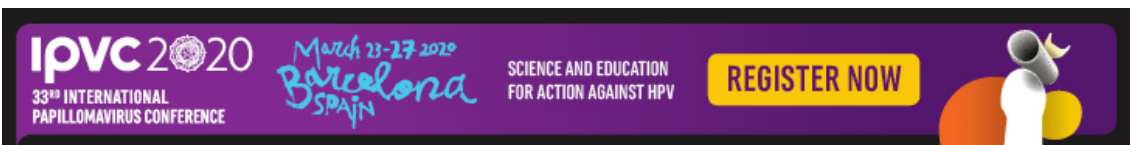
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