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NANTES | MAY 29, 2026 | CITÉ DES CONGRÈS DE NANTES

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Pre Program Nantes 2026

Pre Program on Friday 29 May 2026

8h30 – 8h50 Welcome and badge pick-up

Main Hall

8h50 – 9h00 Welcome address by Laureline Berthelot / club presentation by Lennart Mars

Session 1: Neuroimmunology at CNS barriers. Chair: TBD

9h00 – 9h30 **Keynote speaker: Antoine Louveau** (Cleveland, USA): *The meningeal lymphatic vasculature in neurodevelopmental disorders.*

9h30 – 10h00 Short-talks selected from abstracts

10h00 – 10h30 Coffee Break

Room 300

Session 2: Neuroimmunology and neurodegenerative diseases. Chair: Guillaume Dorothee

10h30 – 11h00 **Keynote speaker: Wassim Elyaman** (New York, USA): *Bystanders or Drivers? Defining the Role of T Cells in Neurodegenerative Diseases.*

11h00 – 11h30 Short-talks selected from abstracts

Session 3: Neuroimmunology of peripheral nervous system. Chair: Arnaud Nicot

11h30 – 12h00 **Keynote speaker: Daniela Latorre** (Milan, Italy): *Dissecting autoreactive T cell immunity in inflammatory peripheral neuropathies.*

12h00 – 12h30 Short-talks selected from abstracts

12h30 – 13h30 Lunch

Room 300

Session 4: Posters and flash presentations in neuroimmunology. Chair: Sonia Bourguiba-Hachemi and Nicolas Vince

13h30 – 14h15: **Poster session**

14h15– 14h45: Flash-talks selected from posters

Session 5: Nervous system infections. Chair: David Laplaud and Nicolas Blanchard

14h45 – 15h15 **Keynote speaker: Christian Munz** (Zurich, Switzerland): *Encephalomyelitis due to Epstein-Barr virus.*

14h15– 15h45 Short-talks selected from abstracts

15h45 – 16h15 Coffee Break

Room 300

Session 6: Neuroinflammation in Multiple sclerosis. Chair: Sandrine Wiertlewski and Violetta Zujovic

(Session sponsored by France SEP)

16h15 – 16h30 **Keynote speaker: Céline Delaloy** (Rennes, France): *IL-2-mediated modulation of B cell functions in multiple sclerosis.*

16h30– 17h00 Short-talks selected from abstracts

Closing remarks and Prizes. Chair: Laureline Berthelot

17h00 - 17h30 Awards for the best poster and short oral communication, conclusion remarks



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Meet the guest speakers

Antoine Louveau



Department of Neuroscience,
Lerner Research Institute, Cleveland
Clinic, USA

Specialist of meningeal lymphatic
vasculature in health and diseases

Wassim Elyaman



Department of Neurology, The Taub
Institute for Research on Alzheimer's
Disease and the Aging Brain, Columbia
University Irving Medical Center, USA

Specialist of Antigen-specific immune
response in neurodegenerative
diseases and Infectious etiology of
Alzheimer's disease

Céline Delalay



INSERM U1236-MOBIDIC laboratory
(Microenvironment and B cell
lymphocytes, immunopathology, cell
differentiation and cancer),
University of Rennes, France

Specialist of B cell plasticity in
multiple sclerosis and cancer

Daniela Latorre



Division of Neuroscience, IRCCS San
Raffaele Hospital, Vita-Salute San
Raffaele University Milan, Italy

Specialist of neuroimmunology
interactions with particular emphasis on
autoreactive immune cell responses in
the context of human neurological
diseases.

Christian Munz



Institute of Experimental
Immunology, Viral Immunobiology,
University of Zurich, Switzerland

Specialist of gamma herpes viruses
and encephalomyelitis due to
Epstein-Barr infection

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