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- Miguel Sánchez Forte. Pediatrician. La Cañada Health Center. (Almería).
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- Jesús Vergara Martín. Primary Care Physician. Specialist in Family and Community Medicine. (Almería).
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PROFESSIONAL SPEAKERS:

- **Helen Marshall.**
  Director of the Vaccine and Infectious Disease Group at the University of Adelaide. (Australia).

- **Mónica Ardura.**
  Medical Director of the Host Defense Program, Chief of the Section of Infectious Diseases at Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. (United States).

- **Javier Díez Domingo.**
  Foundation for the Promotion of Health and Biomedical Research of the Valencia Region (FISABIO). (Valencia).

- **Graziella Almendral del Río.**
  President of the National Association of Health Journalists (ANIS). (Madrid).

- **José Antonio López Salvador.**
  Adaptive mountain athlete with poliomyelitis (Almería).

- **Fernando Baquero Artigao.**
  Pediatrician. Infectious Diseases and Tropical Pathology, La Paz University Hospital, Madrid. Coordinator of the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Unit, La Paz Children's Hospital. (Madrid).

- **Federico Martinón Torres.**
  PhD in Pediatrics and Clinical Researcher. Head of Pediatrics at Santiago University Clinical Hospital. Full Professor of Pediatrics, University of Santiago de Compostela. (Santiago de Compostela).

- **Magda Campins Marti.**
  Preventive Medicine and Epidemiology. (Barcelona).

Mario Rivera Izquierdo.
Assistant Professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Public Health at the University of Granada. (Granada).

- **José Ramón Caballero de la Calle.**
  Secretary of the Spanish Veterinary Council and Professor of Animal Production at the School of Agricultural Engineering in Ciudad Real, University of Castilla-La Mancha. (Ciudad Real).

- **María Garcés Sánchez.**
  Deputy Director General for Health Prevention and Training at the Regional Ministry of Health. (Valencia).

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- **Fernando Moraga Llop.**
  Senior Board Member and Spokesperson for the Spanish Association of Vaccinology (AEV); Corresponding Academician of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Catalonia (RAMC). (Barcelona).

- **Mar Lago Núñez.**
  Attending Physician, Tropical and Travel Medicine Unit, La Paz University Hospital. (Madrid).

- **Pepe Serrano.**
  Pediatrician. Member of the Vaccine Advisory Committee of the Spanish Association of Pediatrics (CAV-AEP) and General Secretary of the Catalan Society of Pediatrics. (Barcelona).

- **Antonio Iofrío de Arce.**
  Secretary of the Vaccine Advisory Committee, Spanish Association of Pediatrics. 'El Ranero' Primary Health Care Center. (Murcia).

- **Valentin Pineda.**
  Pediatrician and Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist. Member of the Advisory Committee on Vaccines of the Spanish Association of Pediatrics (CAV-AEP). (Barcelona).

- **Miguel Ángel Alcántara González.**
  Famiy and Community Nurse. Lecturer on the Master's Degree in Advanced Nursing Practice in Vaccination. Index International Chair of Health Care Research, Catholic University of Murcia (UCAM). Member of the ANENVAC Advisory Committee. (Murcia).

- **Juan Alfonso Martín Quintero**
  Pediatric Nurse Specialist. Nursing Coordinator at Grupo IHP and Coordinator of the Grupo IHP Clinical Trials Unit. Treasurer of the ANENVAC Board of Directors. (Seville).

- **George Kassianos**
  National Lead for Immunisation at the Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP). Chair and Fellow of the British Travel Health Association (BTHA)
  (United Kingdom).

- **Sonia Martínez Giménez.**
  Provincial Coordinator of Nurses Serving as Liaisons in Educational Centres in Almería. (Almería).

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23TH

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NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF DISTANCE LEARNING (UNED)

Pl. de la Administración Vieja, 4.

9:00 | *COLLECTION OF DOCUMENTATION.*

9:30 - 14:00 | *INTENSIVE COURSE IN ADVANCED VACCINOLOGY. CONTROVERSIES AND DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING VACCINES.**

- **Helen Marshall** (Australia).
- **Javier Díez Domingo** (Valencia).
- **Monica Ardura** (United States).

APOLO THEATRE

C. Rbla. Obispo Orberá, 25.

15:30 | *COLLECTION OF DOCUMENTATION.*

16:00 - 17:30 | *COALITION FOR LIFE COURSE IMMUNIZATION (CLCI) SYMPOSIUM (EUROPEAN UNION): RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (RSV) PROTECTION THROUGH LIFE: FROM THE NEWLY BORN TO THE OLDER ADULT.*

MODERATOR: Catherine Weil Olivier (Francia).

- **RSV Vaccination in Pregnancy.**
  Helen Marshall (Australia).
- **The effectiveness of monoclonal antibodies in paediatric protection.**
  Mario Rivera (Granada).
- **Protecting adults against RSV.**
  George Kassianos (United Kingdom).

17:30 - 18:00 | *COFFEE BREAK.*

18:00 - 19:00 | *MEETING WITH THE EXPERTS.**

MODERATORS: Ernestina Azor Martínez (Almería) y **Francisco Giménez Sánchez** (Almería).

- **Recent developments in vaccination for immunocompromised patients. Current status of immunisation in the United States.**
  Mónica Ardura (United States).
- **Towards the elimination of meningococcal disease.**
  Helen Marshall (Australia).

19:00 - 20:00 | *THE VOICE OF THE MEDIA AND PATIENTS.*

MODERATORS: Alfonso Carmona Martínez (Seville) y **Francisco Giménez Sánchez** (Almería).

- **Vaccines advance, information falls behind.**
  Graziella Almendral del Río (Madrid).
- **My fight against polio through sports.**
  Pepe Salvador (Almería).

20:00 | *OPENING CEREMONY AND PRESENTATION OF THE BALMIS AWARD.*

20:30 | *WELCOME COCKTAIL.*

**The activities marked will be held in English and will be provided with simultaneous interpretation.*

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH

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APOLO THEATRE
C. Rbla. Obispo Orberá, 25.

9:00 - 10:00 | *ROUNDTABLE: VACCINES FOR DEVELOPMENT.* **MODERATOR: Isabel Martín Montaner** (Pamplona).

- **Cytomegalovirus: hope and progress. Eliminating disability through vaccination.**
  Fernando Baquero Artigao (Madrid).
- **Clinical trials that will change clinical practice.**
  Federico Martinón Torres (Santiago de Compostela).

10:00 - 10:30 | *COFFE BREAK.*

10:30 - 11:25 | *EMBARKING ON THE JOURNEY: CHALLENGING TRAVELER CASES.*

- **Mar Lago Núñez** (Madrid).

11:30 - 12:30 | *ROUNDTABLE: VACCINATION ACROSS THE LIFESPAN. INNOVATIONS IN ADULT VACCINATION. BENEFITS BEYOND THE PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.*
MODERATOR: Jesús Vergara Martín (Almería).

- **Magda Campins Marti** (Barcelona).
- **Mario Rivera Izquierdo** (Granada).

12:30 - 13:10 | *MASTER CLASS ONE HEALTH: PREVENTION OF INFECTIONS ON FARMS THROUGH VACCINATION.*
INTRODUCTION: Yasmina Domínguez Cardona (Almería).

- **José Ramón Caballero de la Calle** (Ciudad Real).

13:15 - 14:15 | *ROUNDTABLE: EPIDEMIC THREATS AND THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN VACCINATION.*
MODERATOR: Leticia Romero García (Almería).

- **María Garcés Sánchez** (Valencia).
- **Fernando Moraga Llop** (Barcelona).

14:15 - 15:30 | *WORK LUNCH.*

15:30 - 16:30 | *COFFEE WITH COLLEAGUES: CONTROVERSIES SURROUNDING IMMUNISATION.*
MODERATOR: Francisco Giménez Sánchez (Almería).

16:30 - 17:30 | *ANENVAC SYMPOSIUM: WHAT DO NURSES ASK THEMSELVES?*
MODERATOR: Miguel Ángel Alcántara González (Seville).

- **Juan Alfonso Martín Quintero** (Seville).
- **Sonia Martínez Giménez** (Almería).

17:30 - 18:00 | *SUMMARY AND PLAYLIST OF THE CONFERENCE.*

- **Pepe Serrano** (Barcelona).
- **Valentín Pineda** (Barcelona).

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