



# HOT TOPICS IN HIV

Vaccines, immune recovery  
and eradication

**4th of November 2025**

Hub Social – Fundació Bofill, Barcelona

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10:00 h	<b>Registration and coffee</b>
10:30 h	<b>Welcome</b> <b>Javier Martinez-Picado</b> , IrsiCaixa, ICREA, UVic-UCC, CIBERINFEC, Spain <b>Bonaventura Clotet</b> , IrsiCaixa, Fight Infections Foundation, Spain
<b>BLOCK 1: UNDERSTANDING RESERVOIR SEEDING AND PERSISTENT VIREMIA IN HIV</b>	
10:45 h	<b>Autologous and broadly neutralizing antibodies in HIV cure strategies</b> <b>Katherine J. Bar</b> , University of Pennsylvania, USA
11:05 h	<b>Memory natural killer cells and clinical applications</b> <b>Dimitra Peppas</b> , University College London, UK
11:25 h	Overall discussion
11:55 h	Break
<b>BLOCK 2: EMERGING PERSPECTIVES</b>	
12:10 h	<b>Young investigator's talk: Role of the integration sites in the spontaneous control of HIV</b> <b>Carmen Gasca-Capote</b> , Instituto de Biomedicina de Sevilla, Spain
12:30 h	<b>Mucosal immunity in HIV persistence</b> <b>Meritxell Genescà</b> , Vall d'Hebron Research Institute, Spain
12:50 h	Overall discussion
13:15 h	Lunch break
<b>BLOCK 3: ADVANCES IN HIV THERAPIES AND IMMUNOMODULATION STRATEGIES</b>	
14:15 h	<b>Targeting CCR5 in HIV remission strategies</b> <b>Jonah Sacha</b> , Oregon Health & Science University, Portland, USA
14:35 h	<b>Targeting TK</b> <b>Mayte Coiras</b> , National Center of Microbiology, Madrid, Spain
14:55h	<b>Prolonged viral suppression with anti-HIV-1 antibody therapy</b> <b>Christian Gaebler</b> , Charité-Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany
15:15 h	Overall discussion
15:45 h	<b>Challenges in finding a cure for HIV</b> <b>Linos Vandekerckhove</b> , Ghent University Hospital, Ghent, Belgium
16:15 h	Closing remarks



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