



BRITISH SOCIETY FOR MICROBIAL TECHNOLOGY
39th ANNUAL MICROBIOLOGY CONFERENCE
UK Health Security Agency, Colindale, London
Date: Thursday 2nd May 2024
Rapid Diagnostics ~ warts and all

08.30 – 10.00	Registration, Coffee and Trade Show
10.00 – 10.05	Welcome by BSMT Chair: Dr Mark Wilks
Chair for the Morning Session: Dr Kate Templeton	
10.05 – 10.15	Introduction to the day Dr Kate Templeton, President of the BSMT
10.15 – 11.00	How do we assess and value rapid diagnostics? Dr Luke Moore, Consultant Infectious Diseases, Microbiology, & Virology, Chelsea & Westminster NHS Foundation Trust
11.00 – 11.40	Next-generation molecular diagnostics: Leveraging digital technologies to enhance multiplexing in real-time PCR Dr Jesus Rodriguez-Manzano, Associate Professor, Imperial College, London
11.40 – 12.10	Break & Trade Show (with light refreshments)
12.10 – 12.50	STI AMR surveillance; the molecular approach Dr Michelle Cole, Principle Clinical Scientist, STI Reference lab, UKHSA
12.50 – 13.30	Setting up a Microbiology service in a low to middle income country. Ivor Mitchelmore, Now retired Chief BMS, Luton & Dunstable University Hospital.
13.30 – 14.30	Trade Show & Lunch
Chair for the Afternoon Session: Professor Brian Duerden CBE	
14.30 – 15.10	Evaluation of a unified metagenomic method for rapid detection of bacteria, fungi and viruses in clinical samples Adela Alcolea-Medina, Lead, Next Generation Sequencing, Infection Sciences, Synovis, St Thomas' Hospital, London
15.10 – 15.50	UKHSA: What next for AMR? The 2024-2029 UK Antimicrobial Resistance National Action Plan Dr Alicia Demirjian, Clinical Lead, Antimicrobial Resistance & Prescribing (AMRP), UKHSA, and Consultant in Paediatric Infectious Diseases and Immunology, Evelina London Children's Hospital

Cost: An Early Bird Discount Rate of £50 applies to registrations received before 15 April 2024
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Full Time Student Rate £30
(Fee includes morning coffee, light refreshments & lunch)



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