Why should influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 experts meet?

1. From a clinical perspective
   - Influenza virus, RSV, SARS-CoV-2 cause similar disease
   - Influenza and RSV disease and COVID-19 hit the elderly hardest

2. From a pathogenesis perspective
   - Clear overlaps as well as clear differences
   - Resulting in major implications for intervention strategies

3. From an intervention strategies perspective (vaccines, antivirals and biological response modifiers)
   - Intervention strategies for influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 are improving and emerging
   - Prospects for:
     - Combined diagnostics/ management strategies
     - Combined vaccination strategies
     - Biological response modifiers: similar pathogeneses resulting in similar approaches

4. From a policy perspective
   - Overlapping epidemic and pandemic preparedness strategies
   - Reimbursement policies for both influenza and RSV intervention strategies are crucial

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- Influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19: clinical impact and diagnostic approaches (including disease management in primary healthcare and hospital settings)
- Virus structure and replication in influenza virus, RSV and SARS-CoV-2; latest developments in influenza virus, SARS-CoV-2 and RSV molecular virology
- Epidemiology, surveillance and modeling of influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19, including virus evolution and strain selection
- Co-infections in influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19
- Threats and risk management of epidemics and pandemics
- Innate and adaptive immune responses in influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19

- Influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 vaccination: current and future approaches
- Animal influenza, ecology and epidemiology
- Viral and host factors in the pathogenesis of influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19, including genomics and big data
- Antiviral and immune therapy for influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19
- Human influenza and RSV challenge studies
- Viral and host factors in the transmission of influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19, including genomics and big data
- Reservoirs for future pandemics: threats form the animal world

SCIENCES POLICY INTERFACE
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The Science Policy Interface track is a tailor-made programme for public health officials and government representatives.

- Prevention and treatment of Why are influenza and RSV a priority for policy makers and what can we learn from COVID-19?
- Burden of influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 and impact on society
- Influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 intervention strategies: current practice and future strategies
- Risk evaluation and communication strategies in influenza and COVID-19: lessons learned
- Benefits of vaccination of healthcare workers
- Influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 from a global health perspective, including underserved communities
- How to join forces in influenza pandemic preparedness - what can we learn from COVID-19?

YOUNG SCIENTIST FUND

Since some of the best and most innovative ideas come from young scientists, ESWI actively encourages the careers of young researchers, contributing to Europe’s continued leading scientific base in Influenza, RSV disease and COVID-19 research. Through the Young Scientist Fund, ESWI provides grants to young scientists. In addition, young scientists will act as co-chairs during the conference sessions and Wednesday 9 December 2020 will open with a plenary session entirely devoted to the work of promising scientists. In past editions, these plenaries were highly appreciated in the scientific community, mainly due to their innovative and refreshing nature.


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