

22nd Annual STI & HIV Research Symposium Agenda

(Subject to Change)

Harborview Research & Training Center (R&T) Auditorium October 29th, 2025, from 9:00am – 4:40pm PDT

Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

8:30am – 9:00am	Check-In & Breakfast		
9:00am – 9:05am	Introduction		
9:05am – 10:05am	Keynote: Gregorio (Greg) Millett, MPH Vice President and Director of Public Policy, Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR) Public Health, Science and Public Policy: Navigating Turbulent Times		
10:05am – 10:30am	Katrina Ortblad, ScD, MPH Assistant Professor, Fred Hutch Leveraging private-sector pharmacies to expand the reach of biomedical HIV prevention interventions		
10:30am – 10:45am	Morning Break		
10:45am – 11:10am	Irene Cruz Talavera PhD Candidate, Interdisciplinary Pathobiology, University of Washington Regulatory T cells play a critical role in tuning an appropriate tissue T cell recall response to HSV-2 infection		
11:10am – 12:10pm	Panel: The State of Public Health Research & Practice Moderator: Kenneth Sherr, PhD, MPH Professor, Global Health Adjunct Professor, Epidemiology & Industrial and Systems Engineering, University of Washington Director, PhD in Global Health Metrics & Implementation Science, Global Health Director, Implementation Science Core, UW/Fred Hutch Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) Panelists: Matthew Golden, MD, MPH Professor, Medicine, Allergy & Infectious Diseases, University of Washington Director, Center for AIDS & STD (CFAS) Director, HIV/STI/HCV Program, Public Health - Seattle & King County Greg Millett, MPH Vice President and Director of Public Policy, Foundation for AIDS Research (amfAR) Kenneth Mugwanya, MBChB, PhD, MS King K. Holmes Endowed Professorship in STD and AIDS, Global Health Associate Professor, Global Health & Epidemiology, University of Washington Co-Director, UW/Fred Hutch Center for AIDS Research (CFAR)		



12:10pm – 1:40pm	Lunch & Early-Stage Investigator Poster Session (Room 117) See below for list of poster presenters.		
1:40pm – 2:05pm	Delphine Depierreux, PhD Postdoctoral Fellow, Overbaugh/Lehman Lab, Fred Hutch A Paradigm Shift: Human Natural Killer Cell Memory Against HIV		
2:05pm – 3:05pm	Panel: Co-Creating Knowledge: Partnering with Communities in Research		
	Manag	el Louella er, CFAR Office of Community Engagement (OCE) unity Engagement Project Manager, Jermone Lab, Fred Hutch	
	Project	Daniel, MPH Coordinator II, Fred Hutch unity Consultative Group Member, CFAR Office of Community ment	
	Directo Medica	or cques Kayembe, MD, MPH or of Program Operations, Interpreter Services Department, Harborview all Center er and Executive Director, Congolese United Foundation	
	Progra	Schwartz, MPH m Executive in Health Equity, YMCA of Greater Seattle unity Consultative Group Member, CFAR Office of Community ment	
3:05pm – 3:20pm	Afternoon Break		
3:20pm – 3:45pm	Irene Njuguna, MBChB, MSc, MPH, PhD Research Associate Professor, Emory University Understanding and addressing mortality among youth living with HIV		
3:45pm – 4:10pm	Jillian Neary, PhD, MPH Research Scientist, University of Washington Understanding telomere length among children affected by HIV		
4:10pm – 4:35pm	Sarah Stansfield, PhD, MPH Postdoctoral Research Fellow, VIDD, Fred Hutch Modeled Effectiveness of CAB-LA Prioritization Strategies Based on Data from HPTN 083		
4:35pm – 4:40pm	Closing		





Early-Stage Investigator Poster Session

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- Serena del Banco, PhD Candidate, Microbiology, University of Washington
- Grace Dickel, MPH Graduate Student, Epidemiology, University of Washington
- Maryam Kalatehjari, MD, Visiting Scientist, Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Washington, & Michelle
 Asencio, Research Technologist, Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Washington
- Raymond Lam, Research Intern, Washington State Department of Health
- Nitya Masina, Undergraduate Student, Public Health, University of Washington
- Brandon Maust, MD, Acting Assistant Professor, Pediatric Infectious Disease, Seattle Children's
- **Dorothy Mims, MS,** PhD Student, Bioengineering, University of Washington
- Maggie Murphy, Research Assistant and MS Student, Epidemiology, University of Washington
- Lucero Rodriguez Rodriguez, PhD, Postdoctoral Fellow, VIDD, Fred Hutch
- Bridget Waters, PhDc, MS, Research Assistant and PhD Candidate, Epidemiology, University of Washington
- Kathy Wang, Clinical Research Intern, Neurology, University of Washington