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Satellite Session

Tuberculosis: From silent to severe disease - insights from clinical trials and new strategies

Wednesday, November 18, 2026
5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Room Americas II

This session will explore the full spectrum of tuberculosis (TB), from asymptomatic infection to severe disease, highlighting how recent clinical trials are reshaping our understanding and management of TB. Participants will gain insights into the hidden burden of asymptomatic TB and its implications for transmission and case detection, as well as current evidence on strategies to reduce mortality in severe forms. The session will also address persistent challenges in childhood TB and review advances in novel drugs and shorter treatment regimens. Overall, attendees will learn how clinical trial evidence can inform more effective, patient-centered TB care and guide future research priorities.

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SESSION DETAILS

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5:45 pm	**Introduction**
5:50 pm	**Asymptomatic tuberculosis: Implications for screening and TB control strategies in highly exposed populations** Nicolas Nagot (France)
6:04 pm	**The ultimate goal of reducing mortality in severe tuberculosis: Insights from recent clinical trial** Francois-Xavier Blanc (France)
6:18 pm	**Childhood tuberculosis: Persistent gaps in diagnosis, prevention and care** Chishala Chabala (Zambia)
6:32 pm	**New drugs, shorter treatments: What's next?** Mihaja Raberahona (Madagascar)
6:56 pm	**Conclusion: ANRS MIE and tuberculosis - The journey continues** Nathalie de Castro (France)
7:00 pm	**Q & A**
7:15 pm	**End of the session**