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Scientific Sessions

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Anaerobes: clinical infections

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Anaerobes: disease mechanisms

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Host responses to anaerobic infections

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Anaerobes in the oral cavity

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C. diff I: clinical and epidemiology updates

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C. diff II: basic research

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Biology of Fusobacterium

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Anaerobes in animal health

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Anaerobes in environment

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Anaerobe resistance and novel treatments

Confirmed Speakers

Vincent Young, U Mich — *C. difficile and the gut microbiota: my introduction to anaerobic bacteriology*

Daniel Freedberg, Columbia University — *The spread of C. difficile and other gut pathogens within the healthcare environment*

Chun-Jun Guo, Weill Cornell — *Using Genetics to Explore Microbe-Host Interactions at the Molecular Level*

Sloan Devlin, Harvard Medical School — *Microbiota-generated metabolites and impact on host responses*

Maria Ryan, Colgate — *TBD*

Hui Wu, OHSU — *From Lone Microbe to Microbial Team: Understanding Anaerobic Partnerships between Veillonella and Prevotella*

Xuesong He, ADA Forsyth Institute — *Four's a Party: Intricate Interplay Between One Oral Bacterium, Its Two Parasites, and One Predatory Phage*

Harris Wang, Columbia University — *Metagenomic editing of commensal bacteria in situ using CRISPR-associated transposases*

Liping Zhao, Rutgers — *Foundation Guild-The Stable Health-relevant Group of Obligate Anaerobes in Human Gut Ecosystem*

Cirlei Warren, University of Virginia — *Enteric Glia Response to C. difficile Toxin-Induced Cell Death*

Taryn Eubank, UT Houston — *Enterococcus impact on C. difficile infection*

Joseph Sorg, Texas A&M — *Using Live Imaging to Investigate Clostridioides difficile Spore Outgrowth*

Wendy Garrett, Harvard — *Fusobacterium animalis virulence factor discovery*

Chenggang Wu, UT Houston — *Outer Membrane Protein FomA Is Essential for Membrane Integrity and Nutrient Uptake in Fusobacterium nucleatum*

Jenessa Winston, Ohio State University — *From Microbes to Medicine: Decoding the Pathobiome Across Translational Diseases*

Jizhong Zhou, U Oklahoma — *Anaerobic Digester Microbiomes: Assembly, Succession, and Modeling*

Julian Hurdle, Texas A&M — *Antimicrobial Resistance Mechanisms Driving the Discovery of New Therapies against C. difficile*

Anne-Catrin Uhlemann, Columbia University — *TBD*

Casey Theriot, North Carolina State University — *Microbiota driven bile acid metabolism and how it affects C. difficile colonization and virulence*