



AMSMIC ANNUAL MEETING



JANUARY 17-21, 2024

WILLEMSTAD, CURACAO

ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL SCHOOL MICROBIOLOGY & IMMUNOLOGY CHAIRS

The Association of Medical School Microbiology and Immunology Chairs (AMSMIC) is an organization whose purpose is to promote, advance and support the educational and scientific purposes of the field of microbiology and immunology, and to provide a forum for communication among chairpersons of Departments of Microbiology and Immunology or equivalent organizational units responsible for teaching medical students.

Other goals of AMSMIC are to aid in the education and training of medical students and physicians, to explore means, methods, agencies, and funds by which such microbiological and immunological and other scientific research and education may be furthered, and to assist dissemination of microbiological and immunological and other medical and scientific knowledge.

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WEDNESDAY, JAN 17

AM / PM

Main Arrivals

Optional Tours:

8:30 – 12:30

2-Tank SCUBA Dive with Gobi Divers @ dive shop

9:00 – 2:00

Shete Boka National Park Snorkel - meet in lobby (lunch included)

3:00 - 6:00

AMSMIC Registration Desk Open – Lobby

6:30 - 8:30

AMSMIC WELCOME RECEPTION – Serenity Pool

“Bon Bini op Curacao!”



AGENDA

THURSDAY, JAN 18

7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast Buffet	Çspice Restaurant
7:00 - 8:00	AMSMIC Council Meeting	Çspice Reserved area
8:00 – 12:00	AMSMIC MEETING I	Queen's Ballroom AB
8:00 - 8:15	OPENING REMARKS / INTRODUCTIONS Jeremy Boss, AMSMIC President	
8:15 - 9:05	KEYNOTE LECTURE: Host tropism and the pathobiology of <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> skin and soft tissue infections Victor Torres, PhD, St. Jude Children's Hospital	
9:05 – 9:45	AAI CEO UPDATE Loretta Doan, PhD, AAI	
9:45 - 10:00	Coffee Break	Queen's Foyer
10:00 - 11:00	BREAKOUT I: BEST PRACTICES FOR MENTORING FACULTY On-Boarding, Teaching Grant Writing, Teaching-Teaching, Teaching Mentoring of Students	Queen's Ballroom AB Queens C, Empire
11:00-12:00	NEW CHAIR PRESENTATIONS I (6 talks, 8 min. each – 1 slide) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Lorenz • Shabaana Khader • Dario Vignali • JoAnne Flynn • Ana Fernandez-Sesma • Hubert Tse 	
12:00 – 12:15	AAMC MEETING REPORT Jim Kaper	
12:15 – 1:30	GROUP BUFFET LUNCH	Çspice Restaurant
2:00 – 6:00	GROUP TOUR: PUNDA WALKING TOUR & PUNDA VIBES All attendees & registered guests Return bus at 6pm, or stay for Punda Vibes!	
PM	Evening on your own	



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FRIDAY, JAN 19

7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast Buffet	Çspice Restaurant
7:00 - 8:00	New Chairs Breakfast <i>Jeremy Boss & James Samuel, discussion leaders</i>	Çspice Reserved Area
8:00 - 12:00	AMSMIC MEETING II	Queen's Ballroom AB
8:00 - 8:15	AMSMIC BUSINESS MEETING I/ ELECTIONS	
8:15 - 9:15	ASM CEO, ASM PRESIDENT, & ASM-AMSMIC DEI PROGRAM TEAM Stefano Bertuzzi, MPH, PhD, ASM Virginia Miller, PhD, UNC, Chapel Hill, ASM	
9:15 - 10:05	KEYNOTE LECTURE: Meet the New Workforce, Same as the Old Workforce: Understanding Generational Differences in Microbiology & Immunology Christopher Wiese, PhD, Georgia Institute of Technology	
10:05 - 10:20	Coffee Break	
10:20 - 11:15	BREAKOUT 2: BEST PRACTICES IN MANAGING WORKFORCE <i>Promotion- Retention, Attracting Post-Docs, Student/Fellow Unions</i>	
11:15 - 11:20	AMSMIC BUSINESS MEETING II: ELECTION RESULTS	
11:20 - 12:05	NEW CHAIR PRESENTATIONS II (5 talks, 8 min each - 1 slide) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raphael Valdivia• Joseph Reynolds• J. Victor Garcia-Martinez• Erica Ollman Saphire• Robert Ernst	
12:05 - 1:15	NEW CHAIR BOOTCAMP LUNCH	Queen's Ballroom C
1:30 - 5:30	Optional Tours*: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Curacao Distillery Tour, Tasting & Cocktail Class• Hato Caves & Kokomo Beach Waves <i>*Box lunch included for tours only</i>	Meet in the Lobby
PM	Evening on your own	



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SATURDAY, JAN 20

7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast Buffet Çspice Restaurant
 7:00 - 8:00 Women Chairs Breakfast Çspice Reserved Area
Mitzi Nggarkatti, discussion leader

8:00 – 12:00 **AMSMIC MEETING III** Queen's Ballroom AB

8:00 – 9:00 **NIAID UPDATE**
Kelly Poe, PhD, NIAID

9:00 – 9:50 **KEYNOTE LECTURE: CD8 T CELL LIFESTYLE IN CHRONIC VIRAL INFECTION AND CANCER: IMPLICATIONS FOR IMMUNOTHERAPY**
Rafi Ahmed, PhD, Emory University Vaccine Center

9:50 – 10:30 **RESEARCH!AMERICA UPDATE**
Mary Wolley, Research!America

10:30- 10:45 *Coffee Break*

10:45 – 11:45 **BREAKOUT 3: THE TOUGH: BEST PRACTICES FOR DEALING WITH SPACE, UNDER-FUNDED FACULTY & RETIREMENTS**

11:45 – 12:40 **AMSMIC BUSINESS MEETING III**

- Treasurer's Report – *Dan Voth*
- Preview of 2024 Meeting – *Julie Kerry*
- Preview 2025 Meeting – *Jim Samuel*

Optional Tours*:

1:30 – 5:30 **Kura Hulanda Slavery Museum** – *meet in lobby*
 2:00 – 4:00 **Resort Reef Snorkeling** – *meet at Goby Divers dive shop*
**Box lunch included for tours only*

6:30 – 7:30 **GROUP DINNER: DUSHI CURACAO NIGHT**
On the beach near Goby Divers



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CURAÇAO MARRIOTT BEACH RESORT



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SUNDAY, JAN 21

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| 7:00 - 8:00 | Breakfast Buffet - Çspice Restaurant |
| 9:00 – 2:00 | Optional Tour: Turtle Swim & Beach Snorkeling
meet in the lobby |
| All Day | Departures - SAFE TRAVELS & SEE YOU NEXT YEAR! |



Notes:

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SOCIAL GUEST PROGRAM

Daily breakfast at Cspice Restaurant is included for all registered social guests

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9:00 - 2:00 Shete Boka National Park Snorkel - meet in lobby

3:00 - 6:00 AMSMIC Registration Desk Open – Lobby

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THURSDAY, JAN 18

9:00 – 10:30 **Social Guest Program: Tai Chi Class w/Valerie Boss**
Meet on the beach – enjoy mimosas afterwards!

12:15 – 1:30 **GROUP LUNCH** (All Attendees & Social Guests) - Cspice
2:00 – 6:00 **GROUP TOUR: PUNDA VIBES** – meet in lobby



FRIDAY, JAN 19

Optional Tours*: Meet in the Lobby
**Box lunch included for tours only*

1:30 – 5:30 Curacao Distillery Tour, Tasting & Cocktail Class
1:30 – 5:30 Hato Caves & Kokomo Beach Waves



SATURDAY, JAN 20

Optional Tours*:
**Box lunch included for tours only*

1:30 – 5:30 Kura Hulanda Slavery Museum – meet in lobby
2:00 – 4:00 Resort Reef Snorkeling – meet at Gobi Divers shop

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