NEWS BULLETIN

INNATE IMMUNITY UPDATES

Welcome to the iiSIAR News Bulletin, your go-to source for the latest updates in the European Innate Immunity community. This bulletin brings you key events, career opportunities, and unique resources to support your research and professional journey. Whether you're searching for upcoming conferences, job openings, or cutting-edge research tools, you'll find everything you need right here.

We encourage group leaders, students, and industry professionals to get involved and help us expand and strengthen the iiSIAR community. For more information, visit our website here.

To join the email list (free) please click here or scan QR code below:

Opportunities

Your Turn on the Mic
Career Development Podcast

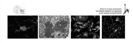
The iiSIAR Young Study Group has launched *Climbing the Immunological Ladder: Steps for Success in Science*, a podcast on career development in immunology and inflammation. We invite ySG members to join as interviewers, working in pairs to host 30–45 minute conversations with invited guests about their career paths, tips for success, and advice for young researchers. Questions are prepared in advance, and episodes will be shared on Spotify and promoted through iiSIAR channels. This is a great opportunity to build science communication skills while contributing to a resource that empowers the next generation of scientists. If you are interested in joining, please contact us at **ySG**.

Call for enlisting
International Support Team (IST)

The IST provides experienced investigators and group leaders from non-European countries the opportunity to participate in iiSIAR's activities and be involved in shaping its future. Members are listed on the iiSIAR website with links to their group's websites, get priority for presenting at iiSIAR annual seminar series and forums. They can share job postings, resources, and event announcements in the monthly News Bulletin and stay updated on iiSIAR activities. Membership is €50 annually with a 50% discount for participants of the iiSIAR 2026 Forum in Vilnius. For more details please see **IST.**

New PhD/Postdoc Opportunity: Exploring the Link Between Inflammation and Coagulation

The laboratory of Prof. Tal Burstyn-Cohen at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem is seeking highly motivated PhD students and postdoctoral researchers to join a fully funded project exploring the intersection of inflammation and coagulation.
The research centers on the TAM receptor-ligand signaling pathway—Tyro3, Axl, MerTK and their ligands GAS6 and Protein S (PROS1)—which regulates both immune responses and coagulation. The project aims to uncover how PROS1 mediates these dual roles using genetic mouse models, cellular assays, and molecular analysis.
Interested candidates should send a CV and a brief statement of interest to Prof. Tal Burstyn-Cohen at talbu@mail.huji.ac.il.
Further details about the project, required qualifications, and application instructions can be found in the PDF available **here** or on the lab website: **WWW.TBCLAB.com**



Save the Date

iiSIAR Symposium at SLB 2025

iiSIAR will host a symposium at SLB 2025. The meeting, themed "Inflammation: A Goldilocks Story" will take place October 29–November 1, in Vancouver, BC. The symposium, "*Immunomodulatory Ligands in Myeloid Inflammation and Autoimmunity*", will feature talks by Jesmond Dalli, Tal Burstyn-Cohen, and Amiram Ariel, highlighting new insights into sterile inflammation and its resolution. See below for more details.

Mark your calendars: iiSIAR 2026 in Vilnius

The 3rd iiSIAR Forum will take place May 11–13, 2026, in Vilnius, Lithuania, hosted by the Lithuanian Society of Immunology and Vilnius University, one of the oldest universities in Eastern Europe (founded in 1579). The meeting will take place at the Hilton Garden Inn, Vilnius City Center. The program will include oral presentations from keynote speakers and submitted abstracts with the preliminary program, registration, and abstract submission to be announced shortly.
The Forum will host Speakers from the Inflammation Research Association and Eicosanoid Research Foundation as part of its collaborative mission.
Announcements on travelling fellowships to early researchers will follow. See below for more information.

Stay Tuned: iiSIAR at WCI 2026

iiSIAR will host a symposium at the World Congress of Inflammation (WCI) 2026 in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil. This landmark meeting brings together three major events: the 17th World Congress of Inflammation (IAIS), the 11th Inflamma – Brazilian Society of Inflammation, and the 50th Annual Meeting of the Brazilian Society of Immunology – ImmunoFoz. See more details **here.**

News

iiSIAR Virtual Seminar Series Speakers Announced

We are delighted to announce the speaker lineup for the upcoming iiSIAR Virtual Seminar Series. Click **here** to see the full program and mark your calendars to join us for another round of cutting-edge talks and discussions.

Call for ySG Participants: Career Development Podcast

The iiSIAR Young Study Group - composed of postdoctoral fellows and PhD students – has launched *Climbing the Immunological Ladder: Steps for Success in Science*, a podcast focused on career development in immunology and inflammation.
We are inviting ySG members to take part as interviewers. Participants will work in pairs to host 30–45 minute conversations with invited guests, exploring their career paths, tips for success, and advice for young researchers. Questions are prepared in advance, and recordings will be shared on Spotify and promoted through iiSIAR channels.
This is a great opportunity to gain experience in science communication and contribute to a resource designed to empower the next generation of scientists. If you are interested in joining the podcast team, please contact us at ySG.

Vying for Vancouver Contest Winners Announced

Congratulations to Dr. Janine Lueckgen, from Heidelberg, Germany, winner of the Vying for Vancouver contest! Janine was selected by the iiSIAR board for her contributions to the ySG mission and will be awarded with sponsored funding to represent the iiSIAR ySG at the iiSIAR-Heel symposium, SLB annual meeting in Vancouver with her talk: "Spatially-resolved functional maps of synovial macrophages and structural cells in remission and inflammatory arthritis."
A special shout-out to our 2nd and 3rd place winners, Salma Rios Tellez and Eman Khatib-Massalha, who will be awarded short presentations at the 2026 iiSIAR Virtual Seminar Series. More details can be found on our **Seminars page.**

Coming Soon: Resolution Biology Network

A new grant to establish a Resolution Biology Network has recently been funded by the EU! The EU-RESOLVE Action (CA24138), spearheaded by Prof. Jesmond Dalli (UK), is now open for registration to individuals interested in joining. To register, you should visit the eCOST website, create an account on the platform, and then select the Action to complete the required information. The process is straightforward, but if any difficulties arise, you are welcome to get in touch for support.

iiSIAR in Focus: Read About Us in the iSLB Newsletter

We're excited to share that iiSIAR was featured in the latest issue of the International Society for Leukocyte Biology (iSLB) newsletter (Vol. 2, 2025). The piece offers an overview of our study group's origins, mission, and scientific focus, highlighting our commitment to fostering collaboration around innate immunity in sterile inflammation, autoimmunity, and resolution.
The article also reflects on the success of our inaugural iiSIAR Forum in Poznan and provides a preview of upcoming activities, including plans for the 2026 Forum in Vilnius.
We're grateful to the iSLB for recognizing the work of our growing community and helping to share our goals with a broader immunology audience.

Read the full article here: **SLB Newsletter Vol. 2 (2025)**

New Faces, New Energy: Welcome to Our New National Coordinators/ySG members

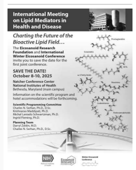
We at iiSIAR are thrilled to welcome **Nina Visocnik, MD**, from the University of Barcelona as the newest addition to our ySG National Coordinators Network. Representing Spain, Nina joins a dynamic group of early-career researchers committed to strengthening iiSIAR's regional engagement and building new bridges across the global inflammation research community.

She joins an already vibrant team of national coordinators:

Blancine Baffert – University of Virginia, USA
Eman Khatib-Massalha – University of Cambridge, UK
Esther Silberberg – The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
Jan Aleksander Kraško – Representing Lithuania and the Baltic states
Ewa Oleszycka – Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, and yEFIS
Salma A. Rios-Téllez – University of Montreal, Canada
Chiara Testini – Uppsala University, Sweden and Scandinavia
Janine Lückgen – BioMed X Institute, Heidelberg, Germany
Olena Ivanytska - Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University, Ukraine
Larisa Janžič - University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
Paul M. Jordan - Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, Germany

We are excited to see the impact they will make in fostering connection, visibility, and momentum in inflammation research around the globe!

Events



SLB 2025: "Inflammation: A Goldilocks Story" Heads to Vancouver

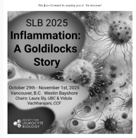
Mark your calendars for SLB 2025, taking place October 29 – November 1 at the Westin Bayshore in Vancouver, BC. This year's meeting, themed "Inflammation: A Goldilocks Story," promises a vibrant gathering of researchers focused on inflammation biology.
The meeting will feature cutting-edge science, networking, and new collaborations. We're especially excited to announce the iiSIAR-sponsored symposium, which will highlight advances in sterile inflammation and its resolution. The breakfast symposium will take place on **October 31st, 7:15-9:00 am**, and will feature the following speakers and talks:

Specialized Proresolving Lipid Mediator Production and Action in Inflammation, Regeneration, and Autoimmunity
Jesmond Dalli, Queen Mary University of London

Microglia Development, Phagocytosis and Inflammation are Regulated by PROS1
Tal Burstyn-Cohen, The Hebrew University

Novel Effectors in the Resolution of Inflammation and Tissue Fibrosis
Amiram Ariel, University of Haifa
The full program, including these and other sessions, is now available online.
View the full program here: **SLB 2025 Detailed Program**

We look forward to seeing you in Vancouver!



Mark Your Calendars: iiSIAR Heads to Historic Vilnius in 2026

The 3rd Forum of the EFIS Study Group on Innate Immunity in Sterile Inflammation, Autoimmunity, and their Resolution (iiSIAR) will take place on May 11–13, 2026, in Vilnius, Lithuania.
This meeting will be hosted by the Lithuanian Society of Immunology in collaboration with Vilnius University, one of the oldest universities in Eastern Europe (founded in 1579). It will take place at the Hilton Garden Inn, Vilnius City Center.
The program will include oral presentations, with a preliminary agenda to be announced soon.
We warmly invite you to join us in Vilnius, a vibrant capital city with a beautifully preserved Old Town, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and a rich blend of historical charm and modern culture.

Save the date! We look forward to welcoming you in Vilnius.

Welcome to WCI 2026

The 17th World Congress of Inflammation (IAIS) joins forces with the 11th Inflamma – Brazilian Society of Inflammation and the 50th Annual Meeting of the Brazilian Society of Immunology – ImmunoFoz in a landmark edition of WCI 2026.
This special gathering brings together researchers, healthcare professionals, and students from Brazil and across the globe to explore the latest advances in inflammation, immunology, and chronic inflammatory diseases.
The program is designed to spark scientific exchange, foster collaboration, and highlight translational research with real impact on public health—aligned with the principles of Brazil's SUS healthcare system.
We look forward to inspiring days of learning, sharing, and building partnerships that will shape the future of science and society.

Sponsors

efis European Federation of Immunological Societies
מערך בינלאומיות
Division of Global Engagement
دائرة العلاقات الدّولية
UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA אוניברסיטת חיפה
gattx THERAPEUTICS
SOCIETY FOR LEUKOCYTE BIOLOGY
Heel
Healthcare designed by nature
ambiotis resolve inflammation
ALOMÉA LABORATOIRES

The iiSIAR board

Prof. Amiram Ariel (Israel)
Prof. Maciej Kurpisz (Poland)
Prof. Jo Van Ginderachter (Belgium)
Prof. Sylvaine You (France)
Prof. Ari Waisman (Germany)
Prof. Annabel Valledor (Spain)
Prof. Adriano Rossi (UK)

The iiSIAR News Bulletin is a community effort.
Special thanks to **Esther Silberberg** for serving as Editor of this News Bulletin.

University of Haifa | Israel | +972482842??
remove הסר | הסר