



# AMSMIC 2023 ANNUAL MEETING



## 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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# AGENDA

## TUESDAY, JAN 17

*Early Arrivals for Optional tours*

## WEDNESDAY, JAN 18

AM / PM

Main Arrivals

ALL DAY

**Optional Tours** – Meet in Lobby

- Los Arcos Marine Park Snorkeling Cruise
- Vallarta Botanical Gardens
- Historic Town – San Sebastian del Oeste

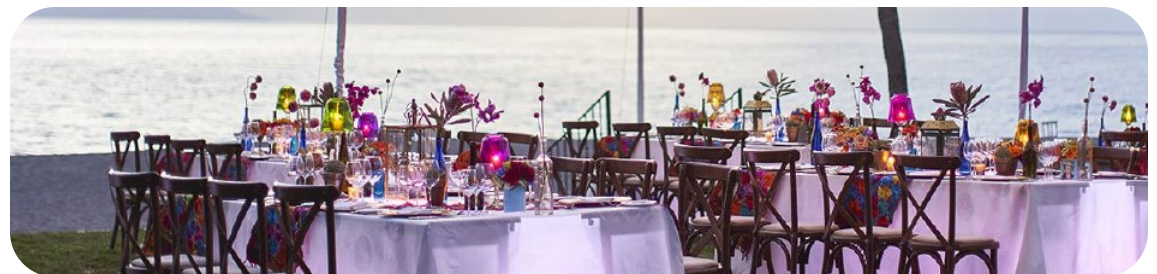


3:00 - 6:00

AMSMIC Registration Desk Open – Lobby

6:30 - 9:30

**AMSMIC WELCOME FIESTA DINNER** – *La Casita Garden*



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## THURSDAY, JAN 19

7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*

8:00 – 12:00 **AMSMIC MEETING I – VALLARTA I**

8:00 - 8:10 **OPENING REMARKS / INTRODUCTIONS**

*Mitzi Nagarkatti*

AMSMIC President 2022-2023

8:10 - 9:10

**TARGETING INNATE IMMUNITY AND PANOPTOSIS FOR THE TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES**

*Thirumala-Devi Kanneganti*

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

9:10 – 10:10

**THE LONG SHADOW OF INTESTINAL MICROBIOTA IN CANCER DEVELOPMENT AND TREATMENT**

*Christian Jobin*

University of Florida

10:10 - 10:30

*Coffee Break*

10:30 - 11:30

**UNDERSTANDING ADAPTIVE IMMUNITY AND IMMUNE MEMORY TO SARS-COV-2 INFECTION AND COVID-19 VACCINES**

*Shane Crotty*

La Jolla Institute for Immunology

11:30-12:10

**NEW CHAIR PRESENTATIONS I**

*Jacques Robert*, University of Rochester

*Jason Bartz*, Creighton University

*Vanessa Sperandio*, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Sanjay Maggirwar*, George Washington University

12:30 – 5:30

**AMSMIC GROUP LUNCH EVENT & HISTORIC ART WALK**

*Meet in lobby – attendees & registered guests*

PM

*Evening on your own*



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## FRIDAY, JAN 20

7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast Buffet - La Estancia Restaurant

7:00 - 8:00 AMSMIC Council Meeting – La Cava @ Estancia Restaurant

8:00 – 12:00 **AMSMIC MEETING II – VALLARTA I**

8:00 – 8:15 **AMSMIC BUSINESS MEETING I/ ELECTIONS**

8:15 – 9:15 **PANEL DISCUSSION: BUILDING DEPARTMENT CULTURE**

Moderator: [James Bangs](#)

Panelists: [Eugene Oltz](#), [Jimmy Ballard](#), [Leslie Berg](#), [John Barnett](#), [James Bangs](#)

9:15 -10:15 **NEUROIMMUNOENDOCRINE ACTIVATION DURING EXPERIMENTAL PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS**

[Rogelio Hernandez Pando](#)

Nat'l Institute of Medical Sciences & Nutrition, Mexico City

10:15-10:35 *Coffee Break*

10:35 - 11:20 **AMSMIC BUSINESS MEETING II/COMMITTEE REPORTS & ELECTION RESULTS**

[Julie Kerry](#), [Mitzi Nagarkatti](#), [Hansel Fletcher](#), [Jeremy Boss](#), [Jim Kaper](#)

11:20-12:30 **NEW CHAIR PRESENTATIONS II**

[Sophie Paczesny](#), Medical University of South Carolina

[Lee-Ann Allen](#), University of Missouri

[Kevin Macaluso](#), University of South Alabama

[Beth McCormick](#), UMass Chan

[Sean Whelan](#), Washington University

[Mark Kaplan](#), Indiana University

[David Bloom](#), University of Florida

12:30 – 2:00 **NEW CHAIR BOOT CAMP & LUNCH** - Los Cabos

2:00 – 5:30 *Free Time on your own*

5:30 – 10:30 **GROUP DINNER:  
SUNSET CRUISE & "RHYTHMS OF THE NIGHT" SHOW**  
*Meet in lobby*



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## SATURDAY, JAN 21

7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*

8:00 – 12:00 **AMSMIC MEETING III – VALLARTA I**

8:00 – 8:45 **PROBLEM-SOLVING DISCUSSION GROUPS:**

- Strategies for Recruitment and Retention of Faculty and Trainees  
Moderator: [Allan Jacobson](#)
- Dealing With University Leadership  
Moderator: [Jeremy Boss](#)
- Resilience During the Time of Covid-19  
Moderators: [Daniel Voth](#), [Janko Nikolich-Zugich](#)

8:45 -9:00 **DISCUSSION GROUP MODERATOR REPORTS**

9:00 – 10:00 **NIAID UPDATE**

[Kelly Poe](#)  
NIAID

10:00- 10:20 *Coffee Break*

10:20 –11:00 **MODERNIZING THE RELATIONSHIP OF SCIENCE AND SOCIETY**

[Mary Wooley](#)  
Research!America

11:00 – 11:45 **A SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY'S EFFORTS TO MAKE IT ONE OF THE MOST WELCOMING, DIVERSE AND EFFECTIVE FIELDS IN SCIENCE**

[Stefano Bertuzzi](#)  
American Society of Microbiology

11:45 – 12:00 **AMSMIC BUSINESS MEETING III**  
Treasurer's Report / Preview of 2024 Meeting

12:00 – 1:15 **WOMEN CHAIRS LUNCH – *Los Cabos***



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1:30 – 5:30

**Optional Tours at El Jorullo National Park** – Meet in the Lobby

- ATV Bridge Experience
- Canopy Tour, Ziplining and Tequila Tasting
- Waterfall Hike



6:30 – 7:30

**FAREWELL RECEPTION** – El Patio (near pool)



## SUNDAY, JAN 22

7:00 - 8:00

Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*

All Day

Departures - **SAFE TRAVELS – SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!**

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## SOCIAL GUEST PROGRAM

### WEDNESDAY, JAN 18

- 8:00 – 5:00      Optional Tours: Los Arcos Snorkel / Botanical Garden / Historic Town Tour
- 6:30 - 9:30      AMSMIC WELCOME FIESTA DINNER – *La Casita Garden*

### THURSDAY, JAN 19

- 7:00 -              Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*
- 9:00 – 11:00      POTTERY PAINTING – *Nosh Sunset Terrace*
- 12:30 – 5:30      GROUP LUNCH EVENT: HISTORIC ART WALK – *Meet in the Lobby*

### FRIDAY, JAN 20

- 7:00 -              Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*
- 5:30 – 10:30      AMSMIC SPONSORED DINNER SUNSET CRUISE & “RHYTHMS OF THE NIGHT”  
MAYAN SHOW - *Meet in Lobby at 5:15*

### SATURDAY, JAN 21

- 7:00 -              Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*
- 1:30 – 5:30      Optional Tours: El Jorullo Park – ATV Bridge / Waterfall Hike / Zipline
- 6:30 – 7:30      FAREWELL RECEPTION – *El Patio*

### SUNDAY, JAN 22

- 7:00 -              Breakfast Buffet - *La Estancia Restaurant*
- Departures*