



Multi-center meet-up

Agenda

Theme: *Environment, Cancer, and Microbiome: Interdisciplinary Scientific Perspectives*

Lugar / Where: Molecular Sciences Building

Fecha / Date: Friday, Nov 14

Horario / Duration: 8:45:00 am – 1:00 pm

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Moderator introduction (5 min)
- CARIB CARES Intro (5 min)
- COBRE CPCHE Intro (5 min)
- COBRE Microbiome Intro (5 min)
- Overview of symposium goals & collaborative framework (5 min)
(*CARIB-CARES, CPCHR, COBRE-PR Center for Microbiome Sciences – plan for joint commentary*) Transition / Buffer (10 min)

Session 1: How Climate Hazards and Air Quality Affect Caribbean Communities

Hosted by CARIB-CARES Program

9:30 – 10:40 am (70 min)

- Dr. Ana P. Ortiz – *Cancer prevention & detection after Hurricane Maria* (20 min)
- Dr. Bolaños – *Air quality, COVID, influenza and patient outcomes* (20 min)
- Dr. Pablo Mendez (optional) – *Environmental exposures, Saharan dust, air quality, resilience strategies* (20 min)
- Q&A (10 min)

10:40 – 11:00 am (20 min)

Coffee Break & Networking

11:00 am – 11:50 am (50 min)

Session 2: Cancer, Health Disparities, and the Microbiome

Hosted by CPCHE & COBRE Microbiome Center

- Dr. Vivian Colón – *Cancer Risk in Hispanic Populations* (20 min)



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- Dr. Filipa Godoy-Vitorino – *Microbiome insights from Puerto Rico* (20 min)
- Q&A (10 min)

11:50 am – 12:30 pm (40 min)

Closing Panel: Integration and Future Directions

Moderator: Dr. Baerga

- Discussion among session chairs & speakers (30 min)
- Audience Q&A (10 min)

12:30 – 12:45 pm (15 min)

Adjourn & Final Remarks

- Summary highlights
- Plan for joint **commentary/review** **IJERPH** or *Journal of Environmental Science and Health, Part C: Toxicology and Carcinogenesis?*
- Closing acknowledgments