

### **ALL MEETING TIMES ARE IN THE LOCAL TIME ZONE**

#### **TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

Online meeting link: [CA23152 RegulatoryToolBox - Barcelona's Meeting \(Day 1\)](#)

[Core team meeting \(08:00 – 09:00\)](#)

#### **[Welcome \(09:00 – 09:15\)](#)**

[Chairs:](#) Darla Goeres, Paulina Rakowska, Carolina Ripolles-Avila & Manel López Bejar.

#### **[WG1 \(09:15 – 10:40\)](#)**

[Chairs:](#) James Redfern, Carolina Ripolles-Avila & Henriette Lyng Røder

09:15 – 09:20 – WG1 Introduction

09:20 – 10:00 – Task owner presentations:

##### *Reviews*

- Toward a standardized bioinformatics framework for biofilm analysis – State of the art and future perspectives; (Owner: Judit Knisz)
- Surface and matrix models; (Owners: James Redfern and Enriqueta Garcia-Gutierrez)
- From biofilm components to cleaning outcomes: Linking biofilm properties with practical cleaning parameters; (Owner: Caroline Bachlechner)

##### *Perspective articles*

- Perspective article on imaging as an analytical method to assess biofilms and quantification; (Owner: Guruprakash Subbiahdoss)
- Bridging the gap: Standardising laboratory biofilm methods with applications to the food industry for regulatory science; (Owner: Efstathios Giaouris)

10:00 – 10:40 – Group discussions

- *Clinical*
- *Food*
- *Water*

#### **[Coffee Break \(10:40 – 11:10\)](#)**

#### **[Following up on activities \(11:10 – 12:30\)](#)**

[Chairs:](#) Torben Lund Skovhus, Judit Knisz & Martijn Riool

11:10 – 11:30 – Water workshop update

11:30 – 12:30 – Teaching modules/workshops

- *Overall idea/structure (10 min)*



- Breakout/discussion in focus areas to define modules (25 min)
- Feedback sessions, get more structured modules, incl. volunteers per module (15 min)
- Summary/next steps (10 min)

### **Lunch (12:30 – 14:00)**

### **WG1 + WG2 Combined panel (14:00 – 16:00)**

Chairs: James Redfern & Maria Salta

- 14:00 – 14:05 Presentation
- 14:05 – 14:30 Albert Farré. Chief Commercial Officer at 4Mediks “How evidence becomes action: Translating scientific innovation into EU regulatory frameworks”
- 14:30 – 15:15 Panel of experts “Biofilms and regulation: What evidence is needed for actionable guidance?”
  - Darla Goeres (Universidade do Porto)
  - Paulina D Rakowska (NBIC, University of Southampton)
  - Albert Farré (4Mediks)
  - José Juan Rodríguez Jerez (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)
  - Matthias Buhmann (Brillhygiene)
  - Maria Sanz (Christeyns)
- 15:15 – 15:45 Group discussions: What does this process look like in different sectors?
  - Clinical
  - Food
  - Water
- 15:45 – 16:00 Wrap up and summary of next steps

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#### **WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

Online meeting link: [CA23152 RegulatoryToolBox - Barcelona's Meeting \(Day 2\)](#)

#### **WG2 (09:00 – 10:30)**

Chairs: Maria Salta & Jontana Allkja

- 09:00 – 09:05 – Housekeeping (Carolina Ripollés Ávila)
- 09:05 – 09:15 – WG2 introduction (Maria Salta, Jontana Allkja)
- 09:15 – 09:40 – Update on regulatory landscape survey feedback and future eDelphi project (Speaker TBC)
- 09:40 – 10:30 – Group activity and wrap-up.

*Questions:*

- *How to use eDelphi to create consensus in regulatory bodies?*
- *What guidelines are needed to inform decision making in the biofilm area?*

*Participants will be divided into 3 groups randomly. We would prefer a mix of different sectors within each group to motivate interdisciplinary discussions:*

- *Group 1 (Maria Salta)*
- *Group 2 (Jontana Allkja)*
- *Group 3 (Third chair TBC)*

*Online participants will be similarly separated into three breakout rooms. (Chairs TBC)*

#### **Coffee Break (10:30 – 11:00)**

#### **WG3 (11:00 – 12:30)**

Chairs: Geertje van Keulen & Farah Gonul

- 11:00 – 11:10 Welcome
- 11:10 – 11:40 Dr. Georgios Efthimiou: “Innovative training and outreach approaches for sharpening biofilm skills and raising public awareness”
- 11:40 – 12:10 Dr. Joe E. Weaver: “The power of play: Using computational modelling to inform and educate about biofilm processes”
- 12:10 – 12:25 Training school updates (max. 5 min each)
  - *Manchester: James Redfern, Paulina Rakowska*
  - *Slovenia: Darla Goeres*
  - *Call for 2027*
- 12:25 – 12:30 Wrap up and summary of next steps



### Lunch (12:30 – 14:00)

### Methods in action (14:00 – 15:00)

- *Update on CEN and the biofilm collaborative studies under development Matthias Buhmann (in person) and Anja Richter (virtual)*

### Updates ECRs/outreach and communication (15:00 – 15:45)

#### *Communications team and WG3 leadership*

- ECR update (Bara)
- Grants (Martina)
- Teams Channels (Carolina, Geertje)
  - *(Sub)folder structure and etiquette*
  - *Working documents*
  - *Teams 'chat' for info to/tasking of members*
- Website (Renata)
- Social Media
  - *Reaching out to Industrial and regulatory engagements in all sectors*
  - *Connecting with members and promoting member activities*

### Wrap up and summary of next steps (15:45 – 16:00)

Darla and Paulina