ICH2026
ANDES VIRUS WORKSHOP
5th November



Opening

Alejandra Pizarro (recorded)
Subsecretaria de Salud Pública
Ministerio de Salud de Chile

Sandra Sepúlveda
Seremi de CTCI de la Región de Los Lagos
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Module I
Public Health and Rodent Reservoirs

Chairs

Fernando Torres-Pérez
Pontifícia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile

Cecilia Vial
Clínica Alemana - Universidad del Desarrollo, SENTINET, Chile

Luciana Piudo
Centro de Ecología Aplicada del Neuquén, Argentina

Speakers

Shannon Whitmer & Katrin Sadigh
CDC, Viral Special Pathogens Branch, USA

Luciana Piudo
Centro de Ecología Aplicada del Neuquén, Argentina

Gustavo Palacios
Icahn School of Medicine, Mount Sinai, USA.

Yennifer Flores
Oficina de Zoonosis y Control de Vectores Subsecretaria Salud Pública, MINSAL, Chile

Marília Lavocat, Coordenação-Geral de
Vigilância de Zoonoses e Doenças de Transmissão Vetorial Ministerio de Salud, Brazil

Module II
HCPS, Patients and medical countermeasures

Chairs

Pablo Vial
Clínica Alemana - Universidad del Desarrollo, SENTINET, Chile

Mario Calvo
Hospital Regional de Valdivia, Chile

Renata Carvalho (Oswaldo Cruz Institute, FIOCRUZ, Brazil

Speakers & Panelists

Lorenzo Subissi (Online)
Health Emergencies Programme, World Health Organization, Switzerland

Valeria Martínez
INEI-ANLIS Dr. Carlos Malbrán, Argentina

René López (Recorded)
Medicina Interna y Medicina Intensiva, Clínica Alemana, Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile

Octavio Arce García
Hospital Central de la Defensa “Gómez Ulla”, Madrid, Spain

Yper Hall & Xin Hui Chan (online)
UK Health Security Agency, UK

Jay Hooper
USAMRIID, USA

Nicole Tischler
Fundación Ciencia & Vida, Universidad San Sebastián, Chile

Jeremy Salas
Lab. Biomédico Nacional y de Referencia, Instituto de Salud Público, Chile

Module III
Public Health Prevention, Surveillance, and Education

Chairs

Marco Acuña
Dpto. de Salud Pública, SEREMI de Salud Región de Aysén, Chile

Nicole Le Corre
Pontifícia Universidad Católica de Chile - Red Salud UC CHRISTUSm Chile

Alejandra Sandoval
Secretaría de Salud Provincia de Chubut, Argentina

Speakers

Gonzalo Valenzuela (Recorded)
Hospital UC-Christus, Hospital Josefina Martínez, Santiago, Chile

Claudia Campillo
Seremi de Salud Los Ríos, Chile

Roger Paredes (Online)
Fundació Lluita contra les Infeccions, Hospital Germans Trias i Pujol, Spain

Jorge Vilches
Jefe Departamento Epidemiología MINSAL, Chile

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Virtual meeting via Zoom
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ICH2026 - International Society for Hantaviruses

Andes Virus Workshop Program

Date & Location: Thursday, November 5, 2026 | 8:00 to 16:30 hrs | Hotel Bellavista, Puerto Varas, Chile

Organizers: **Marcela Ferrés** (P. Universidad Católica de Chile), **Nicole Le Corre** (P. Universidad Católica de Chile), **Nicole D. Tischler** (Fundación Ciencia & Vida, Universidad San Sebastián)

INSCRIPTION (8:00-8:15)

OPENING (8:15-8:30)

Welcome from the Organizers

Welcome from National Authorities

Alejandra Pizarro (recorded)

Subsecretaria de Salud Pública

Ministerio de Salud de Chile

Sandra Sepúlveda

Seremi de Ciencia, Tecnología, Conocimiento e Innovación (CTCI), Región de Los Lagos

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MODULE I: RESERVOIRS AND PUBLIC HEALTH (90 min)

Chairs: Fernando Torres-Pérez (P. Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile), M. Cecilia Vial (Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile), Luciana Piudo (Centro de Ecología Aplicada del Neuquén, Argentina)

Objectives: *Synthesize the challenges in determining ANDV exposure risks: From reservoirs to public health*

Strategies for ANDV Detection: From Reservoirs to Outbreaks

#	Topic	Speaker / Affiliation	Time
1	**PAHO-CDC Workshop: Integration of epidemiology, ecology, and laboratory science to strengthen hantavirus surveillance in the Americas**	Shannon Whitmer, Katrin Sadigh (CDC, Viral Special Pathogens Branch, USA)	**8:30 – 8:45**
2	**Ecological monitoring of the rodent reservoir to prevent HCPS**	Luciana Piudo (Centro de Ecología Aplicada del Neuquén, Argentina)	**8:46 – 8:56**
3	**Lessons from Andes virus outbreaks**	Gustavo Palacios (Icahn School of Medicine, Mount Sinai, USA)	**8:57 – 9:07**

Surveillance and Public Health

#	Topic	Speaker / Affiliation	Time
4	**Hantavirus and Public Health in Chile**	Yennifer Flores (Oficina de Zoonosis y Control de Vectores, Subsecretaría de Salud Pública, MINSAL, Chile)	**9:08 – 9:18**
5	**SIS-GEO platform for zoonosis surveillance in Brazil**	Marília Lavocat (Coordenação-Geral de Vigilância de Zoonoses e Doenças de Transmissão Vetorial, Ministério da Saúde, Brazil)	**9:19 – 9:29**
	Panel Discussion	Speakers & Chairs	9:30 – 9:59
	Coffee Break	—	10:00 – 10:30

MODULE II: PATIENT, HCPS AND MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES (120 min)

Chairs: Pablo A. Vial (Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile), Mario Calvo (Hospital Regional de Valdivia, Chile), Renata Carvalho (Oswaldo Cruz Institute, FIOCRUZ, Brazil)

Objectives: *Address updates in laboratory diagnosis, use of new therapeutic strategies, and prevention of HCPS (Hantavirus Cardiopulmonary Syndrome).*

Hantavirus Infection Detection

#	Topic	Speaker / Affiliation	Time
1	A cross-border hantavirus outbreak aboard the M/V Hondius	**Lorenzo Subissi** (Health Emergencies Programme, World Health Organization, Switzerland) [Online]	**10:30 – 10:40**
2	Multicenter validation of new rapid and low-complexity assays for rural areas	**Valeria Martínez** (INEI-ANLIS Dr. Carlos Malbrán, Argentina)	**10:41 – 10:51**

Therapeutic Strategies for HCPS

#	Topic	Speaker / Affiliation	Time
3	Contribution of intensive care to the survival of patients with HCPS	**René López** (Medicina Interna y Medicina Intensiva, Clínica Alemana, Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile) [Recorded]	**10:52 – 11:02**
4	Management of imported Andes virus cases in Spain: Clinical experience	**Octavio Arce García** (Hospital Central de la Defensa “Gómez Ulla”, Madrid, Spain)	**11:03 – 11:13**

Advances in Therapeutic Resources and Vaccines: Availability for Future Crisis Situations

#	Topic	Speaker / Affiliation	Time
5	WHO R&D Blueprint: Advances in the Hantaviridae CORC for the development of medical countermeasures	**Yper Hall** (UK Health Security Agency, United Kingdom) [Online]	**11:14 – 11:24**

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6	Overview of medical countermeasure development, potential clinical pathways, and critical gaps	**Jay Hooper** (USAMRIID, USA), **Nicole D. Tischler** (Fundación Ciencia & Vida, Universidad San Sebastián, Chile)	**11:25 – 11:45**
	Panel Discussion	Speakers & Chairs, Jeremy Salas (Lab. Biomédico Nacional y de Referencia, Instituto de Salud Pública, Chile)	11:46 – 12:30
	Lunch & Poster Session	—	12:30 – 14:30

MODULE III: CONTACTS: PREVENTION, FOLLOW-UP, AND PUBLIC EDUCATION (105 min)

Chairs: Marco Acuña (Dpto. de Salud Pública, SEREMI de Salud Región de Aysén, Chile), Nicole Le Corre (P. Universidad Católica de Chile), Alejandra Sandoval (Secretaría de Salud Provincia de Chubut, Argentina)

Objectives: *Present the consensus on the follow-up of exposed individuals and contacts of ANDV cases.*

Prevention, Monitoring, and Public Education

#	Topic	Speaker / Affiliation	Time
1	Comprehensive management of hantavirus survivors: Slow and prolonged rehabilitation, lack of systematic monitoring	**Gonzalo Valenzuela** (Hospital UC-Christus, Hospital Josefina Martínez, Santiago, Chile) [Recorded]	14:30 – 14:40
2	Follow-up of exposed individuals: Experience in the Los Ríos region. Positivity rate in close contacts versus environmentally co-exposed individuals	**Claudia Campillo** (SEREMI de Salud Los Ríos, Chile)	14:41 – 14:51
3	NAVIS Protocol: Multicenter cohort study recruiting individuals with defined exposure to ANDV or confirmed infection	**Roger Paredes** (Fundació Lluita contra les Infeccions, Hospital Germans Trias i Pujol, Spain) [Online]	14:52 – 15:02
4	New contact follow-up standard	**Jorge Vilches** (Jefe Departamento Epidemiología MINSAL, Chile)	15:03 – 15:13
5	Training of community health managers in hantavirus prevention and risk communication for primary healthcare personnel (suspected cases)	**Marco Acuña** (Dpto. de Salud Pública, SEREMI de Salud Región de Aysén, Chile)	15:14 – 15:24
6	Education proposals for hantavirus prevention: The Argentine experience	**Alejandra Sandoval** (Secretaría de Salud Provincia de Chubut, Argentina)	15:25 – 15:35
	Panel Discussion	Speakers & Chairs	15:36 – 16:15
	Closing Remarks	Local Organizing Committee	16:30