

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY

UNDERSTAND TO TREAT

October 5-7, 2026
Lyon ● France

First session : Developmental Biology and Childhood Cancers

*Organized at the invitation of the Center of Excellence SouthROCK,
with the participation of Centers of excellence CIRCLE, PKC and EN-HOPE SMART4CBT*

Second session : From Cancer Mechanisms to Precision Medicine

Organized by React4Kids in partnership with SUNRiSE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5 - SouthROCK CONGRESS

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome - Thanks to our Sponsors & Conference opening by SouthROCK directors
Patrick Mehlen, CRCL, Lyon & Nicolas André, AP-HM, Marseille

SESSION 1 - Epigenetics and Metabolism

10:15 – 11:00 Keynote : Alejandro Sweet-Cordero
UCSF, San Francisco, USA

11:00 – 11:30 Invited speaker : Raphael Morscher
University of Zurich, Switzerland

11:30 – 11h55 Invited SouthROCK : Rafael Argüello
CIML, Marseille, France

Lunch

13:15 – 14:00 Keynote : Sriram Venneti
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA

14:00 – 14:25 Invited speaker : Stéphanie Torrino
IPMC, Nice, France

14:25 – 14:40 Selected speaker : Claire Figuères-Berthaud
CRCL, Lyon, France

Coffee break

SESSION 2 - Developmental Trajectories

15:00 – 15:45 Keynote : Joshua Brickman
University of Copenhagen, Denmark

15:45 – 16:15 Invited speaker : Florence Cavalli
Institut Curie, Paris, France

16:15 – 16:45 Invited speaker : Glenda Comai
Institut Pasteur, Paris, France

16:45 – 17:10 Invited SouthROCK : Ludovic Telley
MeLiS, Lyon, France

Tea break

17:25 – 17:50 Invited speaker : Stéphane Mancini
MOBIDIC, Rennes, France

17:50 – 18:10 Selected speaker : Benjamin Bonneau
Institut Curie, Paris, France

18:10 – 18:25 Selected speaker : Kenza Cheriet
IJM, Paris, France

Dinner

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6 - SouthROCK Congress

SESSION 3 - Innovative Models

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| 09:00 – 09:45 | Keynote speaker : Michael Meister
<i>Princess Maxima Center, Utrecht, NL</i> |
| 09:45 – 10:15 | Invited speaker : Daniela Lötsch-Gojo
<i>Medical University of Vienna, Austria</i> |
| 10:15 – 10:45 | Invited speaker : Giulia Pasqual
<i>University of Padova, Italy</i> |

Coffee break

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| 11:00 – 11:25 | Invited SouthROCK : Sylvain Lefort
<i>CRCL, Lyon, France</i> |
| 11:25 – 11:50 | Invited speaker : Alessandro Furlan
<i>Centre Oscar Lambret, Lille, France</i> |
| 11:50 – 12:10 | Selected speaker : Natacha Entz-Werle
<i>CHU, Strasbourg, France</i> |
| 12:10 – 12:25 | Selected speaker : Claire Rivet
<i>MeLiS, Lyon, France</i> |

Lunch

SESSION 4 - Genetic and Epigenetic Predispositions

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| 13:30 – 14:15 | Keynote : Théo Hirsch
<i>Centre de Recherche des Cordeliers, Paris, France</i> |
| 14:15 – 14:40 | Invited SouthROCK : Natalia Spitz Toledo Dias
<i>IARC, Lyon, France</i> |
| 14:40 – 15:05 | Invited speaker : Bastien Gerby
<i>CRCT, Toulouse, France</i> |
| 15:05 – 15:15 | SouthROCK Congress : Closing remarks |

Coffee break & Opening of the React4Kids Congress

SESSION 5 - Towards AI in Pediatric Oncology

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| 15:45 – 16:15 | Invited Speaker : Elias Ventre
<i>CRCM, Marseille, France</i> |
| 16:15 – 16:30 | Selected speaker : Hugo Arbes
<i>Paris Kids Cancer, Paris-Villejuif, France</i> |
| 16:30 – 16:45 | Selected speaker : Alexia Calovoulos
<i>BRIC, Bordeaux, France</i> |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | Selected speaker : Loelia Babin
<i>CRCT, Toulouse, France</i> |

Posters

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| 17:00 – 17:30 | Poster teasing |
| 17:30 – 19:30 | Poster session - Wine & Cheese |

Dinner & Social event

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7 - React4Kids Congress

SESSION 6 - Immuno-Oncology of Pediatric Cancers

09:00 – 09:30	Invited speaker : Isabelle Janoueix-Lerosey <i>Institut Curie, Paris, France</i>
09:30 – 09:50	Selected speaker : Olivier Saulnier <i>Institut Curie, Paris, France</i>
09:50 – 10:10	Selected speaker : Anne Gomez-Mascard <i>CHU, Toulouse, France</i>
10:10 – 10:25	Selected speaker : Floriane Petit <i>Institut Curie, Paris, France</i>
10:25 – 10:40	Selected speaker : Hafida Hamdache <i>CRCT, Toulouse, France</i>

Coffee break

SESSION 7 - 3D Chromatin and Transcriptional Rewiring (co-organized with SUNRISE)

11:00 – 11:30	Invited speaker : Guillaume Andrey <i>Université de Genève, Switzerland</i>
11:30 – 11:50	Selected speaker : Cyril Bourgeois <i>LBMC-ENS, Lyon, France</i>
11:50 – 12:05	Selected speaker : Edith Loisy <i>CRCI2NA, Nantes, France</i>

Lunch

SESSION 8 - Translational Approaches and Precision Medicine

13:15 – 13:45	Invited speaker : Christophe Heinrich <i>Stem Cell and Brain Research Institute, Lyon, France</i>
13:45 – 14:15	Invited speaker : David Castel <i>Gustave Roussy, Villejuif, France</i>
14:15 – 14:35	Selected speaker : Christopher Montemagno <i>CSM, Monaco</i>
14:35 – 14:50	Selected speaker : Julie Lafont <i>CRCM, Marseille, France</i>
14:50 – 15:00	Poster awards & Closing words by the organizers Marie Castets, CRCL, Lyon & Eddy Pasquier, CRCM, Marseille