



# **Infections and Immunization in Patients with Atopic Dermatitis**

**Tuesday, May 7, 2024 • 14:00-15:30 PET  
Swissôtel Lima • PARACAS 2 (on hotel's second level) • Lima, Peru**

***An International Eczema Council Symposium  
at the 2024 Reunión Anual de  
Dermatólogos Latinoamericanos (RADLA)***

## AGENDA

**14:00–14:05**

### Welcome

*Alan Irvine, MD DSc, Dublin, Ireland*

**14:05–14:20**

### Mechanisms of *Staphylococcus Aureus* Colonization and Virulence in Atopic Dermatitis

*Raquel Leão Orfali, MD PhD, São Paulo, Brazil*

**14:20–14:35**

### Clinical Aspects and Management of Bacterial Infections in Pediatric Patients with Atopic Dermatitis

*Paula Luna, MD, Buenos Aires, Argentina*

**14:35–14:50**

### Viral Infections and Atopic Dermatitis

*Valeria Aoki, MD PhD, São Paulo, Brazil*

**14:50–15:05**

### Immunobiologics and Atopic Dermatitis: Management of Infections and Immunization

*Angela Londoño, MSc MD, Medellín, Colombia*

**15:05–15:20**

### JAK Inhibitors and Atopic Dermatitis: Management of Infections and Immunization

*Fernando Valenzuela, MD, Santiago, Chile*

**15:20–15:30**

### Q & A Panel Discussion & Wrap-Up

*All Presenters*

## PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS



### Valeria Aoki, MD PhD, IEC Director & Councilor

Valeria Aoki holds many roles at the University of São Paulo Medical School in São Paulo, Brazil: associate professor, director of the Cutaneous Immunopathology Laboratory, member of the Scientific Committee of the Dermatology Graduate Program in the Department of Dermatology, and president of the International Relations office.

Dr. Aoki has clinical interest in understanding autoimmune, infectious, and inflammatory skin diseases in tropical countries; blistering diseases, and inflammatory dermatoses (atopic dermatitis). She enjoys mentoring PhD students and postdoctoral fellows. She is a board member of the International Eczema Council (IEC), co-chair of the IEC Education Committee, and editor of the *European Journal of Dermatology and Venereology*, among numerous other accomplishments.

Dr. Aoki served her residency in dermatology at the University of São Paulo. After completing her dermatology clinical training supported by a Dermatology Foundation scholarship, she spent 2 years as a research fellow in immunodermatology working on a project that addressed the environmental triggers of endemic pemphigus foliaceus, also known as fogo selvagem (FS). Upon returning to Brazil, Dr. Aoki continued on as a co-investigator of the project, collaborating on the characterization of the clinical, epidemiological, and immunological profiles of FS patients in certain endemic areas of Brazil.



### Fernando Valenzuela, MD, IEC Associate

Fernando Valenzuela is a full professor of dermatology and head of the Department of Dermatology at the University of Chile in Santiago, Chile. He founded the Centro Internacional de Estudios Clínicos, where he serves as executive director. He sees hospitalized patients with skin conditions in Hospital Clínico University of Chile.

His special interests include immunodermatology, psoriasis, atopic dermatitis, vitiligo, alopecia areata and autoimmune blistering diseases.

Active in congresses and clinical trials, Dr. Valenzuela has served as president of RADLA and the Latin America Society of Psoriasis (SOLAPSO). He is an International Psoriasis Council Councilor, an International Fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology, and an International Member of the European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology. He is the author of more than 80 manuscripts and 10 chapters in different aspects of clinical dermatology and has participated in more than 30 clinical trials.

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### Alan Irvine, MD DSC

Alan Irvine has been a consultant dermatologist at Children’s Health Ireland and St. James’s Hospital, Dublin, Ireland, since 2002 and professor of dermatology at Trinity College Dublin since 2007. He became the IEC president earlier this year.

He has published extensively in high impact journals such as the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *The Lancet*, *Nature Genetics*, and *Nature Reviews Disease Primers*—mostly on epithelial genetics, characterisation of the skin barrier, disease mechanisms in, and therapy of, atopic dermatitis. His international awards for research include the Times Higher Education Supplement Research Project of the Year and the Paul Gerson Unna Prize (German Dermatology Society). He has delivered several prize lectureships including the MB Sulzberger (AAD), Watson-Smith (RCP Edin), and Dolovich (AAAAI).

Dr. Irvine is a founding director of the International Eczema Council, an elected member of the Royal Irish Academy and the Academia Europaea, and an honorary member of the Société Française de Dermatologie.

He trained in dermatology and genetics in Belfast, Northern Ireland; in Great Ormond Street Hospital in London, England; and as a Fulbright Scholar at Children’s Memorial/Northwestern University in Chicago, IL, USA.

## FACULTY



### Raquel Leão Orfali, MD PhD, IEC Councilor

Raquel Leão Orfali is assistant professor and an associate researcher in the Laboratory of Immunodeficiencies and Dermatology (LIM-56), both in the Dermatology Department at the University of São Paulo Medical School in São Paulo, Brazil.

Dr. Orfali has been interested in understanding autoimmune, infectious, and inflammatory skin diseases since first starting her dermatology at the Heliopolis Hospital in São Paulo, Brazil. In 2002, she began working a research fellow, focused on atopic dermatitis, at the Department of Dermatology from University of São Paulo Medical School. In 2006, she completed an MSc program (mentored by Dr. Valeria Aoki) focusing on the immunopathogenesis of atopic dermatitis. From 2012-2015, she was a doctoral fellow in dermatology (again mentored by Dr. Aoki).

Dr. Orfali’s additional projects in atopic dermatitis include mentoring graduate and postgraduate students and residents at the University of São Paulo. Her postdoctoral project focused on extracellular vesicles in atopic dermatitis, after a fellowship in the laboratory of research in exosomes at VU University Medical Center Netherlands.



### Paula Luna, MD, IEC Associate

Dr. Paula Luna is a dermatologist and pediatric dermatologist at Hospital Aleman in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She is principal investigator in several interventional and non-interventional studies focusing on inflammatory skin disorders. She has directed courses and preceptorships on atopic dermatitis and codirects the ECHO-Atopic Dermatitis Argentina group, a telementoring program aimed to deliver the best clinical practices in AD to underserved areas in Argentina. She directs the fellowship program on inflammatory skin diseases at the Hospital Aleman de Buenos Aires.

Since her early career, she’s been interested in inflammatory skin disorders, primarily psoriasis and atopic dermatitis, genodermatosis, and neonatal dermatology. She serves as vice president of the Sociedad Argentina de Psoriasis (SOARPSO) and the Sociedad de Dermatología Pediátrica para Latinoamérica (SDPL), general secretary for the Argentinean Society of Psoriasis (AEPESO), member of the board of assessors of an Argentinean AD advocacy group (ADAR), an Associate of the IEC, and a member of the IEC’s education committee.

After completing her dermatology residency and serving as chief resident, Dr. Luna completed a 3-year subspecialty in pediatric dermatology at the Hospital Ramos Mejia in Buenos Aires, Argentina.



### Angela Londoño, MSc MD, IEC Councilor

Dermatologist Angela Londoño coordinates the dermatology postgraduate program at Universidad CES in Medellín, Colombia. She holds both an MD and a master’s degree in epidemiology and autoimmunity and has 20 years of experience in the management of immune-mediated skin diseases.

Dr. Londoño is the scientific coordinator of the Clinic of Psoriasis and Immune-Mediated Skin Diseases (CLIPSO) and a Councilor with the International Psoriasis Council. She is vice president of the Sociedad Latinoamericana de Psoriasis (SOLAPSO). She is a founding member of the Grupo Colombiano de Psoriasis e Inmunodermatología (COLPSOR I) and a member of the SPIN- skin inflammation and Psoriasis Network (SPIN). She has published in national and international journals.

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### Mission

Improve patient care by promoting research, education, and best practices in treatment for atopic dermatitis in people worldwide.

### Vision

Transforming the lives of people with atopic dermatitis.

### Upcoming Symposia

**What's New in Pathogenesis & Mechanisms? Drivers of Disease:** May 15 at SID in Dallas, TX, US.

**Safety of JAK Inhibitors in the Treatment of Inflammatory Skin Diseases:** June 1 at EAACI in València, Spain.

**From Comparative Pathogenesis to Biomarker-Guided Treatments in Psoriasis and Eczema:** September 4 at ESDR in Lisbon, Portugal. Presented jointly with the International Psoriasis Council.

**Chronic Hand Eczema:** September 28 at EADV in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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