

## DETAILED PROGRAM

# NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY 2026

September 12 - 13, 2026

Grand Tourane Hotel, 252 Vo Nguyen Giap, An Hai Ward, Da Nang City

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

### HALL 1 - CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) VALIDATION OF RAPID TEST AND ANTIBIOGRAM PERFORMANCE

*Open only to delegates who have pre-registered or hold an official CME invitation*

**Faculty:** Dr. Hoang Thi Bich Ngoc; Dr. Nguyen Phu Huong Lan,  
**Secretaries:** Dr. Le Nguyen Minh Hoa; MSc, MD. Le Phuong Mai

| Time          | Content                                                          | Speaker                                                                          |
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| 14:00 - 17:00 | Validation of rapid test performance                             | <b>Dr. Hoang Thi Bich Ngoc</b><br>National Children's Hospital                   |
|               | Verification of antimicrobial susceptibility testing performance | <b>Dr. Nguyen Phu Huong Lan</b><br>Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology |

### HALL 1 - EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING OF THE VIETNAM ASSOCIATION FOR CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY

| Time          | Content                                                                 | Speaker                                                            |
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| 17:00 - 18:00 | Selection of Antimicrobial Agents for susceptibility testing in Vietnam | Executive Committee, Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology |
|               | Executive Board Meeting, Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology  | Executive Committee, Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology |

### HALL 2 - WELCOME DINNER

| Time  | Content        | Speaker |
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| 18:00 | Welcome Dinner |         |

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

### HALL 1 - OPENING CEREMONY

*Live at Hall 1 - Broadcast live at Hall 2*

| Time          | Content                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Speaker                                                                                                                                                            |
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| 08:00 - 08:30 | Delegate Registration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Organizing Committee                                                                                                                                               |
| 08:30 - 09:00 | Introduction of distinguished guests and delegates<br>Opening remarks by the President of the Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology<br>Directional remarks by a representative of the Ministry of Health<br>Directional remarks by the President of Vietnam Medical Association<br>Presentation of certificates of appreciation to sponsors | Organizing Committee<br>President, Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology<br>Representative, Ministry of Health<br>President of Vietnam Medical Association |
| 09:00 - 09:30 | Sponsor booth visit and tea break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Organizing Committee                                                                                                                                               |

### HALL 1 - PLENARY SESSION

**Chairs: Representative of Ministry of Health; Representative of Vietnam Medical Association; Representative of Vietnam Association of Clinical Microbiology**  
**Secretary: Dr. Le Thi Bao Chi**

| Time          | Content                                                                                                                                | Speaker                                                                                                                                             |
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| 09:30 - 09:50 | Organizational structure of the Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology and strategic direction for the Association's activities | <b>Assoc. Prof. Doan Mai Phuong</b><br>President of Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology                                                   |
| 09:50 - 10:10 | Role of the microbiology surveillance network: updates on testing panels and technical referral pathways                               | <b>MSc. Truong Le Van Ngoc</b><br>Head of Medical Services Division, Department of Medical Examination and Treatment Management, Ministry of Health |
| 10:10 - 10:30 | Strengthening capacity to respond to emerging/re-emerging pathogens through the Global Laboratory Leadership Programme                 | <b>Dr. Bui Thi Thu Hien</b><br>US CDC                                                                                                               |
| 10:30 - 10:50 | 2024 National Microbiology Surveillance Data Report                                                                                    | <b>Assoc. Prof. Pham Hong Nhung</b><br>Head of Department of Microbiology, Hanoi Medical University                                                 |
| 10:50 - 11:10 | Optimizing the clinical microbiology testing workflow: a total laboratory solution                                                     | <b>Dr. Satheesh Kumar Thangaraj</b><br>bioMérieux Asia Pacific Pte Ltd, Director - Medical Affairs (ASEAN countries)                                |
| 11:10 - 11:30 | Optimizing the clinical accuracy of antimicrobial susceptibility breakpoints: from practice guidelines to validated assays             | <b>Dr. Pearlina Teo</b><br>Associate Medical Affairs Director, Asia Pacific Region, Waters Corporation Diagnostics Group                            |
| 11:30 - 11:50 | General Discussion                                                                                                                     | Conference                                                                                                                                          |
| 11:50 - 13:30 | Lunch                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                     |



| HALL 1 - SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM   BIOMÉRIEUX                                                                                            |                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                   |
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| Topic: Antimicrobial Resistance in Vietnam – Clinical Value and Impact of Rapid Diagnostics in the Management of Infectious Diseases |                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                   |
| Time                                                                                                                                 | Content                                                                                                                      | Speaker                                                                                           |
| 12:05 - 12:10                                                                                                                        | Opening remarks: highlighting the antimicrobial resistance landscape and current status in Vietnam                           | <b>Assoc. Prof. Doan Mai Phuong</b><br>President, Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology   |
| 12:10 - 12:30                                                                                                                        | Building a solid foundation: best practices in clinical microbiology for blood culture                                       | <b>Assoc. Prof. Pham Hong Nhung</b><br>Head, Department of Microbiology, Hanoi Medical University |
| 12:30 - 12:50                                                                                                                        | Optimizing antimicrobial resistance management workflows through rapid diagnostics and data-driven antimicrobial stewardship | <b>Dr. Truong Thien Phu</b><br>Cho Ray Hospital                                                   |
| 12:50 - 13:10                                                                                                                        | Integrating rapid syndromic molecular diagnostics in the management of bloodstream infection                                 | <b>Dr. Nguyen Phu Huong Lan</b><br>Vietnam Association for Clinical Microbiology                  |
| 13:10 - 13:25                                                                                                                        | Discussion                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                   |

| HALL 2 - SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM   WATERS CORPORATION                                                 |                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                          |
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| Topic: The Role of Clinical Microbiology in Improving Sexual and Maternal & Child Health Outcomes |                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                          |
| Time                                                                                              | Content                                                                                                                                        | Speaker                                                                                                                  |
| 12:00 - 12:20                                                                                     | Gonorrhea: from epidemiology to culture-based diagnosis and antimicrobial resistance trends                                                    | <b>Dr. Tran Minh Chau</b><br>Hanoi Medical University Hospital                                                           |
| 12:20 - 12:40                                                                                     | Practice-changing updates in the management of bacterial vaginosis                                                                             | <b>Dr. Pearline Teo</b><br>Associate Medical Affairs Director, Asia Pacific Region, Waters Corporation Diagnostics Group |
| 12:40 - 13:00                                                                                     | Preventing group B streptococcus disease in newborns: the pivotal role of antenatal screening and testing outcomes in prevention and treatment | <b>Dr. Nguyen Ba My Nhi</b><br>Tam Anh General Hospital, Ho Chi Minh City                                                |
| 13:00 - 13:20                                                                                     | Integrating testing for sexual health and maternal & child health into the molecular diagnostics laboratory                                    | <b>Dr. Pearline Teo</b><br>Associate Medical Affairs Director, Asia Pacific Region, Waters Corporation Diagnostics Group |
| 13:20 - 13:30                                                                                     | Discussion                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                          |

## HALL 1 - BACTERIA AND ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE SESSION (1)

**Chairs:** Prof. Nguyen Gia Binh; Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Thai Son; Dr. Nguyen Phu Huong Lan  
**Secretary:** Dr. Vu Ngoc Hieu

| Time          | Content                                                                                                            | Speaker                                                                                                                                                      |
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| 13:30 - 13:50 | Collaboration between clinical microbiology and clinical pharmacy in the treatment of multidrug-resistant bacteria | <b>Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Hoang Anh</b><br>Bach Mai Hospital and Hanoi University of Pharmacy                                                                   |
| 13:50 - 14:10 | Update on the treatment of sepsis                                                                                  | <b>Assoc. Prof. Do Ngoc Son</b><br>Bach Mai Hospital                                                                                                         |
| 14:10 - 14:30 | Identification of antimicrobial resistance genes in bacteria through gene sequencing                               | <b>Dr. Chung The Hao</b><br>Oxford University Clinical Research Unit, Ho Chi Minh City                                                                       |
| 14:30 - 14:50 | Collaboration between clinical microbiology and infection control in hospital practice                             | <b>Dr. Huynh Minh Tuan</b><br>Head of Infection Control Department, concurrently Head of Microbiology Department, University Medical Center Ho Chi Minh City |
| 14:50 - 15:10 | Tea break                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                              |

## HALL 1 - VIROLOGY SESSION

**Chairs:** Assoc. Prof. Vu Thi Tuong Van; Assoc. Prof. Ngo Viet Quynh Tram; Dr. Tran Thi Phuong Thuy  
**Secretary:** Dr. Le Nguyen Minh Hoa

| Time          | Content                                                                                                                | Speaker                                                                               |
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| 15:10 - 15:30 | Application of whole-genome sequencing in identifying the causative agents of emerging and re-emerging viruses         | <b>Prof. Le Van Tan</b><br>Oxford University Clinical Research Unit, Ho Chi Minh City |
| 15:30 - 15:50 | Overview of HBV/HDV infection in Vietnam and new markers in the management of hepatitis B treatment                    | <b>Assoc. Prof. Bui Tien Sy</b><br>Military Hospital 108                              |
| 15:50 - 16:10 | Epidemiological and virological characteristics of influenza cases at three hospitals in Northern Vietnam, 2025 - 2026 | <b>Dr. Truong Thai Phuong</b><br>Bach Mai Hospital                                    |
| 16:10 - 16:30 | Validation of HBcrAg and highly sensitive HBsAg tests in management of chronic Hepatitis B infected patients           | <b>Assoc. Prof. Do Duy Cuong</b><br>Vinmec International General Hospital             |

## HALL 2 - BACTERIA AND ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE SESSION (2)

**Chairs:** Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Vu Trung; Assoc. Prof. Pham Thi Ngoc Thao; Dr. Mai Van Tuan  
**Secretary:** MSc. Luong Hong Loan

| Time          | Content                                                                                                                                                                    | Speaker                                                            |
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| 13:30 - 13:50 | Diagnostic testing for non-tuberculous mycobacteria (NTM)                                                                                                                  | <b>Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Van Hung</b><br>National Lung Hospital      |
| 13:50 - 14:10 | Clinical microbiology approach to community-acquired respiratory tract infections in children: from specimen collection to culture interpretation and antibiotic selection | <b>Dr. Hoang Thi Bich Ngoc</b><br>National Children's Hospital     |
| 14:10 - 14:30 | Optimizing treatment of multidrug-resistant infections based on microbiological evidence and clinical pharmacy consultation                                                | <b>Assoc. Prof. Le Quoc Hung</b><br>Cho Ray Hospital               |
| 14:30 - 14:50 | Case series report on meningococcal disease                                                                                                                                | <b>Dr. Bui Thi Thuy</b><br>National Hospital for Tropical Diseases |
| 14:50 - 15:10 | Tea Break                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                    |

## HALL 2 - FUNGI AND PARASITOLOGY SESSION

**Chairs:** Dr. Nguyen Trung Cap; Dr. Truong Thien Phu; Dr. Tran Thi Hue Van  
**Secretary:** MSc. Le Thuy Duong

| Time          | Content                                                                                      | Speaker                                                                                       |
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| 15:10 - 15:30 | Diagnosis, treatment and prevention of invasive fungal infections                            | <b>Assoc. Prof. Do Duy Cuong</b><br>Vinmec International General Hospital                     |
| 15:30 - 15:50 | Update on human Toxocara sp. larval infection: from immunopathology to serological diagnosis | <b>Dr. Huynh Hong Quang</b><br>Quy Nhon Institute of Malariology, Parasitology and Entomology |
| 15:50 - 16:10 | Histoplasmosis in advanced HIV disease in Vietnam: burden and diagnostic value of HAg ELISA  | <b>Assoc. Prof. Vo Trieu Ly</b><br>Hospital for Tropical Diseases, Ho Chi Minh City           |
| 16:10 - 16:30 | Diagnosis of invasive mold infection                                                         | <b>MSc. Le Phuong Mai</b><br>Cho Ray Hospital                                                 |