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# **Building a Strong Regulatory Science with Tomorrow's Technologies**



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# GSRs25 Program At A Glance

Theme: **Building a Strong Regulatory Science with Tomorrow's Technologies**

Venue: SwissTech Convention Center, Lausanne, Switzerland



Sept 15, 2025 (Monday)	Sept 16, 2025 (Tuesday)	Sept 17, 2025 (Wednesday), Parallel Tracks	
11:00 Registration Open	8:00 Registration Open	8:00 Registration Open	
	<b>MAIN CONFERENCE</b> (Campus Level, Auditorium B)	<b>MAIN CONFERENCE</b> (Campus Level, Auditorium B)	<b>NANOTECHNOLOGY SESSIONS</b> (Garden Level, Room 1BC)
	9:00 – 9:10 WELCOME REMARKS • Swissmedic • GCRSR Chair	9:00 – 10:40 SESSION 4 <i>Theme: AI in Chemical Science</i> • 20min/talk; 5 talks	9:00 – 10:40 NANO-SESSION 1 <i>Theme: Advanced Materials, SSBD In The Context Of Nanomaterials</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks + Panel
	9:10 – 10:50 KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS • 25min/talk; 4 talks	10:40 – 11:10 BREAK	
	10:50 – 11:10 BREAK	11:10 – 12:30 SESSION 5 <i>Theme: The Role of Generative AI in Regulatory Science</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks	11:10 – 12:30 NANO-SESSION 2 <i>Theme: Measurement Methods For Real World Micro(nano)plastics</i> • 20min/talk; 3 talks + Panel
	11:10 – 12:30 PM SESSION 1 <i>Theme: AI as a NAM</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks	12:30 – 14:00 BREAK	
	12:30 – 14:00 BREAK	14:00 – 15:20 SESSION 6 <i>Theme: From Data to Action: Advancing Regulatory Science with Emerging Approaches</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks	14:00 – 15:20 NANO-SESSION 3 <i>Theme: Nanomedicines: Progress In Regulatory Science</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks
13:00 – 16:30 <b>Pre-conference Workshop</b> (Garden Level, Room 2ABC) <i>Innovations in Retrospective Validation of NAM Evidence: Lessons Learned from Systematic Review</i>	14:00 – 15:20 SESSION 2 <i>Theme: AI in Medicine: From Molecules to Population</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks	15:20 – 15:50 BREAK	
	15:50-17:30 SESSION 3 <i>Theme: Interactive Discussion on Regulatory Transformation: Cultural and Organizational Barriers</i> (Moderated discussion)	15:50-17:10 SESSION 7 <i>Theme: International Efforts in Digital Science</i> • 20min/talk; 4 talks	15:50-17:10 NANO-SESSION 4 <i>Theme: Nanomedicines: Emerging Applications</i> • 20min/talk; 3 talks + Panel
	17:30-19:30 POSTER SESSION (Drinks and hors d'oeuvres)	17:10-17:30 CLOSING REMARKS & ANNOUCEMENT OF GSRs26	

# CONFERENCE PROGRAM

All times are in local time

## Day 0 — Monday, 15 September 2025 | Garden Level, Room 2ABC

**11:00–18:00 REGISTRATION**

**13:00–16:30 PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP:  
INNOVATIONS IN RETROSPECTIVE VALIDATION OF NAM EVIDENCE: LESSONS LEARNED  
FROM SYSTEMATIC REVIEW**

### Instructors

- Gro Haarklou Mathisen, PhD. Norwegian Scientific Committee for Food and Environment
- Paul Whaley, PhD. Evidence-Based Toxicology Collaboration
- Angela Bearth, PhD. HF Partners

### Learning objectives

Through a series of lectures and practical exercises, participants will develop an understanding of the concept of “internal validity” (systematic error arising from how a study is conducted), how to assess the internal validity of NAM studies in the context of systematic review (“retrospective validation”), and second-order skills relating to how to develop and select appropriate tools for assessing the internal validity of scientific studies.

### Agenda

13:00-13:10 | Introduction to the workshop and the instructors  
13:10-13:25 | Refresher on systematic review and the need for assessing bias  
13:25-13:45 | How to assess internal validity, using the new INVITES-IN tool (beta version)  
13:45-13:55 | How INVITES-IN was developed, with lessons for tool development in general  
14:00-14:15 | Break  
14:15-14:45 | Breakout session #1, familiarisation with INVITES-IN  
14:45-15:05 | Q&A session, group discussion of INVITES-IN approach  
15:05-15:20 | Coffee Break  
15:20-16:10 | Breakout session #2, applying INVITES-IN to selected NAM studies  
16:10-16:25 | Group discussion of results of assessing the selected studies  
16:25-16:30 | Close

**Day 1 — Tuesday, 16 September 2025 | Campus Level, Auditorium B**

<b>8:00</b>	<b>Registration Open</b>
<b>09:00–09:10</b>	<b>WELCOME REMARKS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michael Renaudin, Swissmedic</li> <li>• Dr. Weida Tong, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), GCRSR Chair</li> </ul>
<b>09:10–10:50</b>	<b>KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS</b> Co-Chairs: Katherine Serrano, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Belgium; Dr. Tucker Patterson, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
09:10–09:35	<b>The Regulator as Strategic Asset: A Swiss Perspective</b> Dr. Philippe Girard, Deputy Executive Director, Swissmedic, Switzerland
09:35–10:00	<b>FDA's AI Programs: Challenges and Opportunities</b> Dr. Tucker Patterson, Director, National Center for Toxicological Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
10:00–10:25	<b>Regulatory Science and Innovation: A Perspective from the European Medicines Agency</b> Dr. Emmanuel Cormier, Head of the Regulatory Science and Innovation Task Force, European Medicines Agency (EMA), Netherlands
10:25–10:50	<b>Risk Assessment and Regulatory Sciences in Times of Accelerated Change – How Can We Keep Up the Pace?</b> Dr. Carlos Das Neves, Chief Scientist, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy
<b>10:50–11:10</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:10–12:30</b>	<b>SESSION 1: AI AS A NAM</b> Co-Chairs: Didier Verloo, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy; Maurice Whelan, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy
11:10–11:30	<b>Are We There Yet? AI as a NAM to Replace Conventional Toxicity Testing in Pharma</b> Dr. Elisabeth Klenke, Head of Nonclinical Assessment and GLP Inspectorate, Swissmedic, Switzerland
11:30–11:50	<b>From Animals to Algorithms: AI in DILI Risk Evaluation</b> Dr. Weida Tong, Director, Division of Bioinformatics and Biostatistics, National Center for Toxicological Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
11:50–12:10	<b>Recent, Current and Future Case Studies of AI in Safety Evaluation: Can AI Become "Regulatory-Grade"?</b> Dr. Billy Amzal, Head of Strategic Consulting, Phastar, France
12:10–12:30	<b>In Silico NAMs for Systemic and Topical Toxicity (STopTox) Assessment</b> Dr. Alex Tropsha, K.H. Lee Distinguished Professor, Division of Chemical Biology and Medicinal Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA
<b>12:30–14:20</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>14:20–15:20</b>	<b>SESSION 2: AI IN MEDICINE: FROM MOLECULES TO POPULATION</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Masahiro Tohkin, Food Safety Commission of Japan (FSCJ), Japan; Dr. Zhan Yui Ong, Singapore Food Agency (SFA), Singapore
14:20–14:40	<b>Identification of Genomic Biomarkers of Liver Toxicity Risk Using Formal Concept Analysis of UK Biobank Data</b> Dr. Federico Goodsaid, SVP Regulatory, Ariana Pharma, France



14:40–15:00	<b>Insight to Standard: ML Prediction Models and LLMs for Omics Data Reanalysis and Standardization</b> Dr. Wenjun Bao, Chief Scientist and Director of Advanced Analytics R&D, JMP Statistical Discovery, SAS Institute Inc, USA
15:00–15:20	<b>Exploiting AI in the Development of Adverse Outcome Pathways and Their Use in New Approaches to Safety Assessment</b> Clemens Wittwehr, Group Leader, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy
15:20–15:50	<b>Break</b>
15:50–17:30	<b>SESSION 3: INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION ON REGULATORY TRANSFORMATION: CULTURAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL BARRIERS</b> Moderators: Michael Renaudin, Swissmedic, Switzerland; Dr. Lilliam Rosario, Formerly U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drs. Lixian Schmid and Grzegorz (Greg) Podrygajlo, CSL Behring, Switzerland</li><li>• Didier Verloo, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy</li><li>• Dr. Henric Taavola-Gustafsson, Uppsala Monitoring Centre (UMC), Sweden</li></ul>
17:30–19:30	<b>POSTER PRESENTATIONS &amp; WELCOME RECEPTION (Campus Level, Entrance Hall)</b>

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**Day 2 — Wednesday, 17 September 2025 | Parallel Tracks****Main Conference | Campus Level, Auditorium B**

<b>8:00</b>	<b>Registration Open</b>
<b>09:00–10:40</b>	<b>SESSION 4: AI IN CHEMICAL SCIENCE</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Yoko Hirabayashi, National Institute of Health Sciences (NIHS), Japan; Dr. Alex Tropsha, University of North Carolina, USA
09:00–09:20	<b>AI-Augmented Chemical Research using Language Models</b> Prof. Philippe Schwaller, Assistant Professor, Laboratory of Artificial Chemical Intelligence (LIAC), Swiss Federal Technology Institute of Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland
09:20–09:40	<b>Beyond QSARs – Quantitative Knowledge-Activity Relationships (QKARs) for Toxicity Prediction</b> Dr. Dongying Li, Research Scientist, Division of Bioinformatics and Biostatistics, National Center for Toxicological Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
09:40–10:00	<b>Language-Driven Organ Lesion Prediction in Large-Scale Toxicology</b> Dr. Tommaso Furlanello, HK3 Lab, Italy
10:00–10:20	<b>Current Status of Understanding and Application of AI for Handling Chemical Structures</b> Dr. Tadahaya Mizuno, Assistant Professor, University of Tokyo and Institute of Statistical Mathematics, Japan
10:20–10:40	<b>Artificial Intelligence in Chemical Safety Assessment: Current Status, Perspectives, and Challenges</b> Dr. Predrag Kukic, Computational Science Leader, Safety, Environmental and Regulatory Science (SERS), Unilever, United Kingdom
<b>10:40–11:10</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:10–12:30</b>	<b>SESSION 5: THE ROLE OF GENERATIVE AI IN REGULATORY SCIENCE</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Philippe Girard, Swissmedic, Switzerland; Dr. Dongying Li, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
11:10–11:30	<b>Evaluating the Black Box: How to Think About Generative AI in Medicine</b> Dr. Henric Taavola-Gustafsson, Senior Data Scientist, Uppsala Monitoring Centre (UMC), Sweden
11:30–11:50	<b>In 5 years from ChatGPT to Super-Intelligence? Reflection on Our Current Moment in AI</b> Prof. Marcel Salathé, Co-Director of AI Center, Swiss Federal Technology Institute of Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland
11:50–12:10	<b>Adopting Large Language Models for Regulatory Review</b> Dr. Joshua Xu, R2R Branch Chief, Division of Bioinformatics and Biostatistics, National Center for Toxicological Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
12:10–12:30	<b>LLMs Task Force: Past, Present, and Future</b> Michael Renaudin, Lead Swissmedic 4.0, Swissmedic, Switzerland
<b>12:30–14:00</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>14:00–15:20</b>	<b>SESSION 6: FROM DATA TO ACTION: ADVANCING REGULATORY SCIENCE WITH EMERGING APPROACHES</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Weida Tong, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA; Dr. Tammy Collins, Burroughs Wellcome Fund (BWF), USA
14:00–14:20	<b>Experiments with AI in the Regulatory Assessment of Marketing Authorisation Applications</b> Dr. Philipp Weyermann, Head of Unit, Regulatory Assessment 2, Swissmedic, Switzerland





14:20–14:40	<b>Navigating the Future in the NAMs ecosystem: Scientific Advances Driving Non-Animal Approaches in Toxicology and Drug Development</b> Dr. Madhu Nag, Chief Scientific Officer, InSphero, USA
14:40–15:00	<b>The Sample-to-Reference Ratio (SRR) Framework: Ensuring Reproducibility of Quantitative Multiomics Data for Standardization and Regulatory Decision-Making</b> Dr. Leming Shi, Professor, School of Life Sciences and Shanghai Cancer Center, Fudan University; Director, International Human Phenome Institutes (Shanghai), China
15:00–15:20	<b>Persistent Agentic Tasks for Regulatory Toxicology: From Property Inference to Hazard Surveillance</b> Dr. Thomas Luechtefeld, CEO, Insilica, USA
15:20–15:50	<b>Break</b>
15:50–17:10	<b>SESSION 7: INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS IN DIGITAL SCIENCE</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Supriya Sharma, Health Canada (HC), Canada; Dr. Carlos Das Neves, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy
15:50–16:10	<b>From Closed Source to Open Source – Why Transparency is the Future of Regulatory AI</b> Alexander Horst, Data Scientist, Veanu, Switzerland
16:10–16:30	<b>Beyond Big Data Analysis: Learn from the 2nd AMES/QSAR International Challenge Project</b> Dr. Ayako Furuhashi, National Institute of Health Sciences (NIHS), Japan
16:30–16:50	<b>Cutting Edge Technology in Regulatory Science – Who is doing what? A Landscape View of New Technologies Worldwide</b> Dr. Nicolas Löffler-Pérez, Data Scientist, Swissmedic, Switzerland
16:50–17:10	<b>NAMs Without Borders: The 3Rs Collaborative Drives Global Awareness &amp; Harmonization in Translational Science</b> Dr. Megan R. LaFollette, Executive Director, The 3Rs Collaborative, USA
17:10–17:30	<b>CLOSING REMARKS &amp; ANNOUNCEMENT OF GSRS26</b>

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**Day 2 — Wednesday, 17 September 2025 | Parallel Tracks****Nanotechnology Sessions | Garden Level, Room 1BC**

<b>8:00</b>	<b>Registration Open</b>
<b>09:00–10:40</b>	<b>NANO-SESSION 1: ADVANCED MATERIALS, SSBD IN THE CONTEXT OF NANOMATERIALS</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Birgit Sokull Kluettgen, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy; Dr. Anil K. Patri, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
09:00–09:20	<b>OECD Working Party on Manufactured Nanomaterials – Important Achievements and Future Directions</b> Mar Gonzalez, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
09:20–09:40	<b>Safe-and-Sustainable-by-Design Drives Innovation Towards Safer and More Sustainable Nanomaterials</b> Drs. Hubert Rauscher & Irantzu Garmendia Aguirre, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy
09:40–10:00	<b>EFSA's Approach to Risk Assessment of Nanomaterials and Materials Containing Small/Nanoparticles in the Food and Feed Chain</b> Irene Cattaneo, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), Italy
10:00–10:20	<b>Standardisation Efforts and Upcoming Challenges for Nanomedicines</b> Dr. Caterina Minelli, National Physical Laboratory, United Kingdom
10:20–10:40	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>10:40–11:10</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:10–12:30</b>	<b>NANO-SESSION 2: MEASUREMENT METHODS FOR REAL WORLD MICRO(NANO)PLASTICS</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Birgit Sokull Kluettgen, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy; Dr. Anil K. Patri, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
11:10–11:30	<b>Challenges in Developing Methodologies for Legislative Monitoring of Micro(Nano)Plastics</b> Dr. Douglas Gilliland, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy
11:30–11:50	<b>Microplastics and Nanoplastics Monitoring in Water and Food: Analytical Advances to Support Risk Assessment</b> Dr. Zhan Yui Ong, National Centre for Food Science, Singapore Food Agency (SFA), Singapore
11:50–12:10	<b>The POLYRISK Risk Assessment Framework for Micro- and Nanoplastic Particles (MNPs) and Its Application in Selected Case Studies</b> Dr. Andrea Haase, German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR), Germany
12:10–12:30	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
<b>12:30–14:00</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>14:00–15:20</b>	<b>NANO-SESSION 3: NANOMEDICINES: PROGRESS IN REGULATORY SCIENCE</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Michael Johnston, Health Canada, Canada; Dr. Birgit Sokull-Kluettgen, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy
14:00–14:20	<b>Progress and Challenges with Nanotechnology/Nanomedicines</b> Dr. Anil K. Patri, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
14:20–14:40	<b>Work of the European Pharmacopeia (EDQM) on mRNA Vaccines</b> Prof. Gerrit Borchard, University of Geneva & EDQM, Switzerland





14:40–15:00	<b>Quality Attributes for LNP-RNA Therapeutics: A New Generation of Medicines</b> Dr. Luigi Calzolari, European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC), Italy
15:00–15:20	<b>Development of Prototype LNP Lyme Disease Vaccine</b> Dr. Michael Johnston, Health Canada, Canada
15:20–15:50	<b>Break</b>
15:50–17:10	<b>NANO-SESSION 4: NANOMEDICINES: EMERGING APPLICATIONS</b> Co-Chairs: Dr. Michael Johnston, Health Canada, Canada; Dr. Anil K. Patri, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), USA
15:50–16:10	<b>Advanced Continuous Manufacturing to Accelerate Production of LNPs</b> Prof. Diane J. Burgess, University of Connecticut, USA
16:10–16:30	<b>Regulatory and Research Progress on Nanomedicines in China</b> Dr. Xingchao Geng, National Institute for Food and Drug Control (NIFDC), China
16:30–16:50	<b>Innovating Quality Characterization of Lipid-Based Nanomedicines: Advancing AFM and Cryo-EM Applications in Regulatory Science</b> Dr. Yuki Haraya, National Institute of Health Sciences (NIHS), Japan
16:50–17:10	<b>Panel Discussion</b>
17:10–17:30	<b>CLOSING REMARKS &amp; ANNOUNCEMENT OF GSR26</b>