



# Cerebral Vascular Biology Meeting

18-22 June, 2023

Uppsala, Sweden

## Conference Agenda

### 18 June 2023, Uppsala University Main Building

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

#### Registration

Uppsala University Main Building, Foyer

#### 1. Opening session

Grand Auditorium

Discussion leaders: **Christer Betsholtz** (Uppsala University/Karolinska Institutet, Sweden), **Maarja Andaloussi Mäe** (Uppsala University, Sweden)

**CVB2023 Organizing Committee** (Uppsala University, Sweden)

Welcome greetings

5:00 pm - 7:10 pm

**Mats Larhed** (Vice-rector, Uppsala University, Sweden)

Welcome to Uppsala University

**Christer Betsholtz** (Uppsala University/Karolinska Institutet, Sweden)

Acknowledgement of research achievements of Prof. Elisabetta Dejana

**Mats Larhed** (Vice-rector, Uppsala University, Sweden)

Diploma award to Prof. Elisabetta Dejana

Keynote speakers

**Elisabeth Tournier-Lasserre** (University of Paris, France)  
Genetic basis of small arteries disease from fetal life to adulthood

**Maria Lehtinen** (Harvard Medical School, USA)  
Illuminating the choroid plexus brain barrier and its functions

Presentation of Uppsala University

**Annika Windahl Pontén** (Uppsala University, Sweden)  
History of Uppsala University

7:10 pm - 9:00 pm

**Group photo**

Uppsala University Main Building, Foyer

**Reception**

Faculty Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Uppsala University Main Building

**19 June 2023, UKK, Hall B**

**2. Fluid transport and vascular networks**

Discussion leaders: **Jean-François Gherzi-Egea** (Lyon Neurosciences Research Center, INSERM, France), **Maria Ascencion Globisch** (Uppsala University, Sweden)

Keynote speaker

8:30 am – 10:05 am

**Gou Young Koh** (Center for Vascular Research, South Korea)  
Exploring novel routes of cerebrospinal fluid drainage

Invited speakers

**Kari Alitalo** (University of Helsinki, Finland)  
Meningeal lymphatics in health and in brain disorders

**Christer Betsholtz** (Uppsala University/Karolinska Institutet, Sweden)  
Multiple cell types make brain barriers – new insights into the arachnoid membrane and its barrier

10:05 am – 10:35 am	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>
	<p><b>Chenghua Gu</b> (Harvard Medical School, USA) The intra- and inter-cellular communication at the blood-brain barrier</p> <p><b>Ralf Adams</b> (Max Planck Institute for Molecular Biomedicine, Germany) Cellular and molecular mechanisms controlling mural cell specification</p>
10:35 am – 12:05 pm	<p><b>Martin Dichgans</b> (Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany) Brain Endothelium: A Nexus for Small Vessel Disease</p> <p><u>Selected based on a submitted abstract</u></p> <p><b>Jin-Hui Yoon</b> (Center for Vascular Research, South Korea) The nasopharyngeal lymphatic plexus serves as a central hub for the drainage of cerebrospinal fluid</p>
12:05 pm – 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 pm – 2:35 pm	<p><b>3. Brain tumor barriers: from molecular mechanisms to treatment opportunities (Sponsored by Cancerfonden)</b></p> <p>Discussion leaders: <b>William Elmquist</b> (University of Minnesota, USA), <b>Roberta Lugano</b> (Uppsala University, Sweden)</p> <p><u>Keynote speaker</u></p> <p><b>Rakesh Jain</b> (Harvard Medical School, USA) Improving treatment of primary and metastatic brain tumors: Emerging Insights and strategies</p> <p><u>Invited speaker</u></p> <p><b>Anna Dimberg</b> (Uppsala University, Sweden) Vascular regulation of the tumor microenvironment in glioblastoma</p> <p><u>Rapid fire poster session</u></p> <p><b>Ya'el Courtney</b> (Harvard University, USA)</p>

Signals making a splash: how the choroid plexus harnesses cerebrospinal fluid for developmental communication

**Adrian Madarasz** (Theodor Kocher Institute, University of Bern, Switzerland)

Subarachnoid erythrocytes clear rapidly along cranial nerves to cervical lymphatic vessels

**Katalin Todorov-Völgyi** (Institute for Stroke and Dementia Research, Germany)

The stroke risk gene Foxf2 maintains brain endothelial cell function via Tie2 signaling

**Erik Bakker** (Amsterdam University Medical Center, Netherlands)

Perivascular clearance of blood proteins after blood-brain barrier disruption in a rat model of micro-infarcts

**Virginie Lam** (Curtin University, Australia)

Plasmalogen supplementation attenuates doxorubicin-induced cognitive impairment and neurodegenerative changes in mice

2:35 pm – 4:00 pm

**Coffee/tea break**

**Poster Session I (Poster number: 1-100), Hall C**

Invited speakers

**Patricia Steeg** (Centre for Cancer Research, National Cancer Institute, USA)

Brain Metastases of Breast Cancer

4:00 pm – 5:50 pm

**Matthia Karreman** (German Cancer Research Center, Germany)

Entry into the brain: Mechanisms of cancer cell extravasation and T cell recruitment in brain metastases

**Benoit Vanhollebeke** (Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)

Single-cell control mechanism of brain angiogenesis and blood-brain barrier formation

Selected based on submitted abstracts

**Imola Wilhelm** (Biological Research Centre, Szeged, Hungary)

Pericytes promote breast cancer brain metastasis formation

A cavernoma patient story - Mia Caderas (video presentation)

**Hua Huang** (Uppsala University, Sweden)

CCM3 is essential in sprouting angiogenesis

## 20 June 2023, UKK, Hall B

### 4. The BBB and drug delivery

Discussion leaders: **Stina Syvänen** (Uppsala University, Sweden),  
**David Brody** (NIH, NINDS, USA)

Keynote speaker

**Robert Thorne** (Denali, USA)

The path to the brain: transporting biotherapeutics across the BBB

8:30 am – 10:05 am

Invited speakers

**Maarten Dewilde** (KU Leuven, Belgium)

Nanobodies to cross the blood-brain barrier

**Yasuo Uchida** (Hiroshima University, Japan)

Next generation quantitative proteomics opens up the new fields of  
CNS barrier studies

10:05 am – 10:35 am

**Coffee/tea break**

Invited speaker

**Won-Suk Chung** (Korea Advanced Institute of Science and  
Technology, South Korea)

10:35 am – 12:00

Anti-inflammatory clearance of amyloid beta by a chimeric Gas6 fusion  
protein

Selected based on submitted abstracts

**Danica Stanimirovic** (National Research Institute of Canada, Canada)  
Brain delivery of therapeutics using IGF1R5, a single-domain antibody targeting insulin-like growth factor-1 receptor

**Urs Langren** (Roche, Switzerland)

Beyond the shuttle: Advances in brain delivery of biologics and novel tools for further optimization

**Helena Karlström** (Karolinska Institutet, Sweden)

Active immunotherapy reduces NOTCH3 deposition in brain capillaries in a CADASIL mouse model

**Quentin Smith** (Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, USA)

Blood-brain barrier permeability for highly lipophilic solutes greatly exceeds prior estimates: three case studies that illustrate significance

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

**Lunch**

**5. Brain imaging: from visualization to function**

Discussion leaders: **Ruiqing Ni** (University of Zurich, Switzerland),  
**Ayal Ben-Zvi** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel)

Invited speakers

**Dag Sehlin** (Uppsala University, Sweden)

Brain PET imaging with BBB penetrating antibody ligands

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

**Nicolas Tournier** (Université Paris-Saclay, France)

Imaging the neuro-vascular transport and coupling for translational pharmacology

**Martin Thunemann** (Boston University, USA)

Mechanistic underpinning of human neuroimaging – cortical interneurons in CBF regulation

Rapid fire poster session

	<p><b>Krzysztof Kucharz</b> (University of Copenhagen, Denmark) Two-photon microscopy in vivo reveals brain vessel type-specific loss of glycocalyx caused by apoM/S1P signaling impairment</p> <p><b>Frida Bällgren</b> (Uppsala University, Sweden) Profound influence of lipopolysaccharide-induced inflammation on oxycodone active transport across blood-brain interfaces: a rat microdialysis study</p> <p><b>Elin Wik</b> (Uppsala University, Sweden) Brain pharmacokinetics of mono- and bispecific amyloid-beta and alpha-synuclein antibodies in mice measured by high cut-off microdialysis</p>
<b>2:30 pm – 3:00 pm</b>	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>
<b>3:00 pm – 4:05 pm</b>	<p><u>Invited speakers</u></p> <p><b>Martin Lauritzen</b> (University of Copenhagen, Denmark) Two-photon microscopy imaging of neurovascular functions</p> <p><b>Laura Bojarskaite</b> (Oslo University, Norway) Gliovascular dynamics in mice across sleep cycle</p> <p><u>Selected based on a submitted abstract</u></p> <p><b>Pilhan Kim</b> (Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, South Korea) Longitudinal intravital imaging of cerebral microinfarction with disruption of neurovascular unit and blood brain barrier</p>
<b>6:00 pm – 01:00 am</b>	<b>Conference dinner</b> Uppsala Castle
<b>21 June 2023, UKK, Hall B</b>	
<b>9:00 am – 10:10 am</b>	<p><b>6. Neurodegeneration and vascular ageing</b></p> <p>Discussion leaders: <b>Francesca Cicchetti</b> (Université Laval, Canada), <b>Lester Drewes</b> (University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth, USA)</p>

Keynote speaker

**Katerina Akassoglou** (University of California San Francisco, USA)

Blood drivers of neurodegeneration

Invited speaker

**Dritan Agalliu** (Columbia University, USA)

Unraveling the cellular sources and mechanisms of neo-angiogenesis in neuroinflammatory diseases

**10:10 am – 10:40 am**

**Coffee/tea break**

Invited speaker

**Anuska Andjelkovic** (University of Michigan, USA)

Epigenetic signatures associated with blood-brain barrier in aging and neurodegeneration

Selected based on submitted abstracts

**Sophia Shi** (Stanford University, USA)

Cerebrovascular glycocalyx degeneration during aging and neurodegenerative disease promotes blood-brain barrier dysfunction and brain bleeds

**10:40 am – 12:05**

**Jennifer Gamble** (Centenary Institute, Australia)

Vascular senescence and leak as potential targets for mending the blood-brain barrier in Alzheimer's disease

**Saverio Francesco Retta** (University of Torino, Italy)

Identification of novel biomarkers of prognostic and predictive value for risk stratification and treatment of Cerebral Cavernous Malformation disease

**Yao Yao** (University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine, USA)

Fibroblasts repair blood-brain barrier damage and hemorrhagic brain injury via TIMP2



12:05 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch

**7. Reconstruction of CNS barriers in vitro: from development to application**

Discussion leaders: **Maria Deli** (Biological Research Centre, Hungary), **Sumio Ohtsuki** (Kumamoto University, Japan)

Invited speakers

**Birger Brodin** (Copenhagen University, Denmark)

In vitro modeling of the brain capillary endothelium: Opportunities and pitfalls

**Maxime Culot** (University of Artois, France)

Evaluation of human stem cells-derived BBB models for repeated dose toxicity testing

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

**Joel Blanchard** (MIT, USA)

Reconstruction of the Human Blood-Brain Barrier in vitro to investigate and therapeutically target Alzheimer's disease

Rapid fire poster session

**Magdalena Kurtyka** (University Medical Center Mainz, Germany)

SLC7A1 is a novel candidate for the transport of therapeutics across the blood-brain barrier

**Roeben Munji** (University of California San Diego, USA)

Monoamine neurotransmitter metabolism by brain vascular endothelial cells regulates behavior

**Hamidreza Sadegh** (University of Technology Sydney, Australia)

Investigation of gut microbiome modification as a potential therapeutic option for Cerebral Cavernous Malformation (CCM)

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Coffee/tea break

Poster Session II (Poster number: 101-199), Hall C

4:00 pm – 5:10 pm

Invited speaker

**Dominik Paquet** (Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany)  
Exploring the role of FOXF2 in small vessel disease in a novel human iPSC-derived model of the neurovascular unit

Selected based on submitted abstracts

**Britta Engelhardt** (University of Bern, Switzerland)  
VE-cadherin identifies arachnoid and pia mater cells: a missing landmark for in vivo imaging of CNS immune surveillance

**Pelin Kasap** (University of Bern, Switzerland)  
An isogenic in vitro model of the human neurovascular unit to explore blood-brain barrier dysfunction in neuroinflammation

**Hideaki Nishihara** (Yamaguchi University, Japan)  
Modeling blood-brain barrier dysfunction in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis

5:15 pm – 6:00 pm

**IBBS meeting, Hall B**

**22 June 2023, UKK, Hall B**

**8. Neuroimmune axis: the regulatory role of CNS barriers**

Discussion leaders: **Sandrine Bourdoulous** (Institut Cochin, France), **Brandon Kim** (University of Alabama, USA)

Keynote speaker

8:30 am – 10:05 am

**Caroline Menard** (CERVO Brain Research Centre, Canada)  
Adaptations of the blood-brain barrier driving resilience to stress vs depression

Invited speakers

**Janet Cunningham** (Uppsala University, Sweden)  
Clinical and biological findings from a patient cohort enriched for suspected autoimmune psychiatric disease

**Jonathan Kipnis** (University of Washington, USA)

	Bridging veins “bridging” the brain and the periphery
<b>10:05 am – 10:35 am</b>	<b>Coffee/tea break</b>
	<p><b>Michelle Erickson</b> (University of Washington, USA) Interactions of chemokines with the vascular blood-brain barrier</p> <p><b>Roosmarijn Vandembroucke</b> (Ghent University, Belgium) The gut-microbiota-brain axis: a role for the brain barriers?</p> <p><u>Selected based on submitted abstracts</u></p> <p><b>Gayel Duran</b> (Hasselt University, Belgium) Migration into the central nervous system triggers inflammasome activation in Th lymphocytes during neuroinflammation</p> <p><b>Aaron Johnson</b> (Mayo Clinic, USA) MHC class I antigen presentation by brain endothelium regulates CD8 T-cell mediated blood-brain barrier disruption in experimental cerebral malaria</p> <p><b>Ana Rita Brás</b> (Institute of Experimental Medicine, Hungary) Role of microglia-endothelial interactions in systemic inflammation-induced vascular and leukocyte responses</p>
<b>10:35 am – 12:10</b>	
<b>12:10 pm – 1:10 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
	<p><b>9. Brain barriers milieu: from pathophysiology to predictions</b></p> <p>Discussion leaders: <b>Anika Hartz</b> (University of Kentucky, USA), <b>Roeben Munji</b> (University of California San Diego, USA)</p> <p><u>Keynote speaker</u></p> <p><b>Richard Daneman</b> (University of California, USA) Blood-brain barrier regulation of brain function and behavior</p> <p><u>Invited speakers</u></p>
<b>1:10 pm – 2:45 pm</b>	

**Stefan Liebner** (Medical School Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany)  
Microenvironmental control of vascular barrier function in the CNS in health and disease

**Elisabeth De Lange** (Leiden University, the Netherlands)  
Adding the 3<sup>rd</sup> dimension: Spatial aspects of BBB transport and intrabrain distribution of drugs

2:45 pm – 3:15 pm

**Awards and Closing ceremony**

