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24-26 September 2026

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## 14<sup>th</sup> International Meeting on the Rapid Responses to Steroid Hormones

### ABOUT THE MEETING

We are pleased to announce the **14th International Meeting on Rapid Response to Steroid Hormones**, which will take place in **Naples, Italy**, from **Thursday, September 24 to Saturday, 26 September 2026**, at the *University of Campania "L. Vanvitelli", S. Patrizia Auditorium*, located in the heart of the city.

The meeting will bring together **scientists, clinicians, and young researchers** from around the world to explore, present, and discuss advances in the understanding of **steroid hormone functions** in both physiological and pathological systems.

Originally conceived to celebrate the **rapid or "non-genomic" actions** of steroid hormones, the conference also embraces their classical **genomic actions**. Through both pathways, steroid hormones control the functioning of the **immune, cardiovascular, skeletal muscle, and nervous systems**, and are key players in diseases such as **cancer, neurodegenerative, cardiovascular, and metabolic disorders**.

This year's meeting will commemorate two eminent scientists:

- **Prof. Brian J. Harvey (1957–2024)**, an innovator in cystic fibrosis and cancer research.
- **Prof. Étienne-Émile Baulieu (1926–2025)**, discoverer of the anti-progesterone RU-486 (mifepristone), a breakthrough in reproductive medicine, that transformed the lives of millions of women worldwide.

### MAIN SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

1. Steroid hormones in cancer
2. Steroids in the nervous system
3. Steroid hormone signaling in health and disease
4. GPER: a steroid receptor dressed up as a G-protein
5. Glucocorticoid, mineralocorticoid, and thyroid receptors
6. Targeting steroid receptors in diseases

### KEY DATES

- Abstracts submission opens February 4, 2026
- Abstracts submission deadline: May 29, 2026
- Abstracts acceptance: June 15, 2026
- Earlybird registration deadline: June 30, 2026

### CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

#### Conference chair:

Pia Giovannelli (*University of Campania L. Vanvitelli- Naples, ITALY*)

#### Conference co-chair:

Marzia Di Donato (*University of Campania L. Vanvitelli- Naples, ITALY*)

#### Honorary chairs:

- Martin Wehling (*University of Heidelberg, Heidelberg, GERMANY*)
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