

VISITING PROFESSORSHIP OF ALAIN FISCHER IN BELGIAN UNIVERSITIES

25th March - UCLouvain, Institut de Duve

Host: Pierre Coulie

Lecture at 12:00 (auditorium de Visscher)

**"Genetics determinants of autoimmunity:
lessons from monogenic diseases"**

26th March - ULB, Campus Erasme

Hosts: Michel Goldman and Françoise Mascart

Lecture at 17:30 (auditorium Mukwege)

"Immunity and genetics as health determinants"

27th March - UGent and VIB

Hosts: Bart Lambrecht and Filomeen Haerynck

Lecture at 11:30 (Zwijnaarde Technologiepark)

**"Gene therapy of primary immunodeficiencies.
What have we learned so far?"**

28th March - KU Leuven, Campus Gasthuisberg

Host: Isabelle Meyts

Lecture at 14:00 (Onderwijs and Navorsing 2)

**"Primary immunodeficiencies: from genes to
(patho) physiology of the human immune system"**

29th March - ULiège, GIGA

Host: Vincent Geenen

Lecture at 13:00 (Amphithéâtre Bacq & Florkin)

**"Dissection of immunity to Epstein Barr virus
based on inherited susceptibility"**

BIOSKETCH of ALAIN FISCHER



Alain Fischer is a French medical doctor specialized in pediatrics, immunology and genetics. He devoted his career to the identification of the genetic and molecular mechanisms of hereditary diseases of the immune system. Together with his research group, Alain Fischer has characterized new molecularly defined forms of primary immunodeficiency and has been one of the first to introduce gene-therapy for children affected by severe combined immunodeficiency.

He is the founder of the Imagine Institute in Paris, a unique environment for translational research dedicated to the understanding of genetic diseases mechanisms and the development of cutting-edge methodologies to treat them.

Alain Fischer is the current holder of the chair of Experimental Medicine at the College de France where he gives lectures on major advances and challenges in modern medicine.

Alain Fischer has been awarded with several prestigious honours, including the Louis Jeantet Prize (2001), the Grand Prix Inserm for Medical Research (2008) the Koch Prize (2012) and the Japan Foundation Prize for Medical Sciences (2015).

From a Belgian perspective, Alain Fischer has established strong relations and fruitful collaborations with several universities in the different regions of the country, especially in the field of primary human immunodeficiencies.