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## EMBO Workshop Shigella: from biology to prevention



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**EMBO Workshop**

### EMBO workshop *Shigella* : from biology to prevention

April 20-24, 2026 Institut Pasteur, Paris, France

*Shigella* causes bacillary dysentery, a major infectious disease. No licensed vaccine is available and antimicrobial-resistant infections are increasing at alarming rates. The aim of this meeting is to gather global experts to foster new insights in infection biology and novel therapeutic development

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*Shigella* was the leading cause of diarrheal disease during World War One; and more than 100 years later, it continues to cause 200 million cases and 216,000 deaths per year. It is a leading cause of moderate to severe diarrhea in children less than five years old in lower- and middle-income nations and sexually transmissible and outbreaks among homeless people now occur across Europe and North America. The lack of a licensed vaccine, coupled with increasing antimicrobial resistance (AMR), has led the World Health Organization (WHO) to declare *Shigella* a priority pathogen for which research into new therapeutics are urgently needed.

To generate innovative approaches to combat this persistent pathogen, we need a consolidated research community working collaboratively and sharing expertise across scientific domains and sectors. To achieve this goal, we propose an international symposium on *Shigella* to bring together global expertise covering all aspects of the pathogen and disease. We will include participants from across basic research, clinical and public health, and industry across diverse areas from disease burden, epidemiology, and genomic surveillance, through fundamental biology and infection models, to vaccines and therapeutic approaches.

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