

9h30

Staphylococcus aureus, a select bunch; the makings of a versatile antibiotic resistant pathogen

Matthew Holden, University of St. Andrews, UK

10h30:

Amino acid catabolism and function in *Staphylococcus aureus* pathogenesis

Paul Fey, University of Nebraska Medical Center, USA

11h30:

Modifying the cell wall of *Staphylococcus aureus* – implications in antibiotic resistance and interactions with the environment

Rita Sobral, Faculty of Sciences and Technology, Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (FCT-NOVA), PT

12h30

Lunch Break

14h00

Identification of key factors in the success of the main *Staphylococcus epidermidis* genetic lineage

Diana Espadinha, PhD thesis defense, Instituto de Tecnologia Química e Biológica, , Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (ITQB-NOVA), PT