

# Translational Biology Meeting – Minutes

**Date:** Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025

**Chair:** Gaetano Perchiazzi

**Attendees:** Beatrix Hochreiter, Elena Sancho Ferrando, Antonio Artigas, Jean-Luc Diehl, Miklós Lipcsey, Giuliano Bolondi, John Laffey, Matthieu Jabaudon, Christian Bode, Aina Areny-Balagueró, Guillermo Albaiceta,

## Meeting Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. LIVES 2025 Conference Update
3. Dual section affiliation and implications for TransBio
4. Committee Updates from the representatives
5. Update on NEXT Activities re. TransBio section
7. Section initiatives, proposal and projects for 2025-2026
8. AOB

## Summary

### Updates on Section Coordination and Congress

Gaetano welcomed participants and outlined the meeting agenda, focusing on updates regarding the Congress and section roles. He confirmed his position as coordinator until the Congress concludes, with Miklós Lipcsey set to assume the chair afterwards. Additionally, he mentioned the responsibilities of various committee members and representatives, noting some absences due to clinical commitments.

### Updates on TransBio Section Activities and Congress Participation

Gaetano provided insights into the TransBio section's activities and challenges, noting the low number of submitted abstracts and the reasons behind their categorisation. He emphasised the importance of the new voting structure that permits members to engage with two sections, aiming to boost active participation. Additionally, he outlined the Congress's focus on gender, geographic, and age balance in speaker selection.

### Research Strategy and Methodology Development in ESICM

John discussed the development of a research strategy for ESICM, which aims to incorporate feedback from sections and leadership to set a clear direction for the organisation. He also mentioned the ongoing work to enhance the Methodology Group, including the search for a new chair to succeed Daniele Poole, who has led the group for several years.

### Discussion on Section Structure and Communication

John highlighted the President's initiative to improve communication between the ESICM Sections and the Executive Committee, noting that each section will have a liaison. He mentioned the possibility of transitioning from a section structure to transversal groups, which

could better meet the needs of the TransBio group. Gaetano expressed interest in this development. Dr. Sancho Ferrando illustrates the current initiatives of NEXT regarding the TransBio section and the Congress Organisation.

### Development of TransBio Educational Initiatives

Gaetano outlined plans for integrating TransBio knowledge into ESICM Academy courses, highlighting the contributions of Luis Morales Quinteros and the need for a balanced representation of experts. He also mentioned upcoming webinars and podcasts aimed at engaging young intensivists and promoting translational research.