In collaboration with the Workshop Executive Committee (WEC) of the 18th Vitamin D Workshop

Sessions 6 and 7: vitamin D nutrition with a focus on the prevention of rickets and vitamin D deficiency in pregnant women

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PROGRAMME

Thursday, 23 April 2015

Session 6: “Prevalence, diagnosis and prevention of rickets”

Chairs: Dr Howard Morris, University of South Australia, Australia
        Dr Inez Schoenmakers, Medical Research Council Human Nutrition Research, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Speakers:

Screening for vitamin D deficiency rickets in a community
Dr John Pettifor, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa

Prevention and treatment of rickets and recommendations on vitamin D
Dr Nick Shaw, Birmingham Children Hospital, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Session 7: “Vitamin D deficiency during pregnancy”

Chairs: Dr Bruce Hollis, Medical University of South Carolina, United States of America
        Dr John McGrath, The University of Queensland, Australia

Speakers:

Vitamin D supplementation in pregnancy
Dr Cristina Palacios, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico

Maternal vitamin D status and risk of preeclampsia
Dr Marjan Tabesh, Isfahan University of Medical Sciences, Iran (Islamic Republic of) (TBC)

Maternal vitamin D status and pre- and postnatal bone development in the child
Dr Cyrus Cooper, University of Oxford, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (TBC)
Round Table: “Translating research into evidence-informed policy options to address vitamin D nutrition”

**Chairs:** Dr Inez Schoenmakers, Medical Research Council Human Nutrition Research, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Dr Roger Bouillon, University Hospital of the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium

**Speakers:**

*Evidence-informed process for establishing policy options on vitamin D nutrition in populations*

Dr Juan Pablo Peña -Rosas, World Health Organization, Switzerland

*Implementation of policy: Finnish experience*

Dr Christel Lamberg-Allardt, University of Helsinki, Finland *(TBC)*

*Biomarkers for screening and diagnosing vitamin D deficiency*

Dr John Pettifor, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa