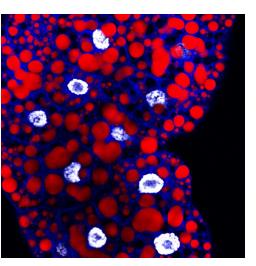


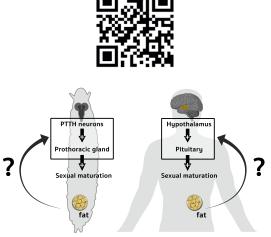
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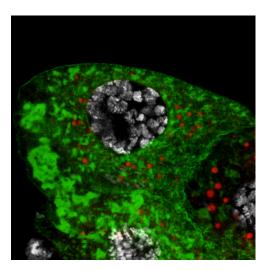
SEDE ANTONIO MACHADO BAEZA, SPAIN

## FAT SENSING AND THE BRAIN CONTROL OF PUBERTY

Baeza, Spain • 24th-26th October 2022









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### **SCOPE**

**Puberty** is a key maturational event in the lifespan of any individual, controlled by highly conserved, sophisticated brain circuits. Puberty onset seems to be occurring earlier worldwide. Earlier puberty can increase the risk of some cancers, diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, eating disorders, alcohol and drug abuse.

**Obesity** can be associated also with earlier puberty onset, especially in girls. Although poorly understood, the link between body weight, overweight, and pubertal timing seems to be multi-fold. Environmental endocrine disruptors through epigenetic alterations in the reproductive



endocrine systems have been shown to increase risk of obesity and to impact on pubertal timing and fertility. Body weight (fatness or fat content) is a major cue for pubertal timing, as epitomized by the absence or delayed puberty in children with very low body weight such as anorexia or elite gymnasts. However, it remains an open question how the neuroendocrine axis controls and adjusts pubertal timing in response to metabolic cues.

The overall goal of this workshop is to provide the most incisive and up-to-date overview of the current research in the fields of organismal growth, food intake control, metabolism, and puberty, with a particular focus on the mechanisms whereby metabolic signals (specially those originating from fat, as major form of energy storage) influence and shape pubertal maturation. To do so, this workshop will bring together a unique combination of fifteen **internationally recognized research leaders**, with complementary expertise in these related fields.

### FORMAT OF THE WORKSHOP

The workshop will bring together a maximum of 15 speakers and 35 participants, to form a group of around 50 people. The scientific programme will start in the morning of Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, and will end around noon on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Ample time for informal discussion will be reserved. Participants will be invited to present a poster.

### **VENUE OF THE WORKSHOP**

The workshop will be held in Baeza, at the "Sede Antonio Machado", a XVII century building turned into a Conference Centre of the Universidad Internacional de Andalucía (UNIA). This Seat includes a residence, where participants will be accommodated. Baeza is a World Historic Heritage town, renowned for its Renaissance and Gothic buildings.



### **SPEAKERS**

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DEADLINE: 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022

MORE **APPLICATIONS** WILL BE **ACCEPTED** IN **COMPLETING** CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER UNTIL THE WORKSHOP

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