The 6th Building Bridges symposium will highlight how epigenetics research can be leveraged to improve our understanding of health and disease. We set the stage by learning about the basics, and with research-focused talks from clinical and translational researchers, we explore detailed examples of discovery, development, and application in the areas of 1) epigenomics, 2) cell differentiation in disease, and 3) epigenetic modifiers as drug targets. We close the symposium by engaging the public in the future societal applications of epigenetics research.

**Our confirmed speakers include well recognized national and international experts in the field:**

**Session I: Setting the stage**
- **Luciano Di Croce** (Centre for Genomic Regulation, Spain)

**Session II: Early life exposure and epigenetics**
- **Nina Kaminen-Ahola** (University of Helsinki, Finland), **Hanna Kahila** (Helsinki University Central Hospital, Finland), **Robert Lyle** (Oslo University Hospital, Norway), **Jari Lahti** (University of Helsinki, Finland)

**Session III: Epigenomics**
- **Jordana Bell** (Kings College London, UK), **Charlotte Ling** (Lund University, Sweden), **Riikka Lund** (Finnish Functional Genomics Centre, Finland), **Caroline Relton** (University of Bristol, UK)

**Session IV: Cell differentiation and epigenetics in disease and therapy**
- **Luciano Di Croce** (Center for Genomic Regulation, Spain), **Saverio Minucci** (European Institute of Oncology, Italy), **Jean-Christophe Marine** (VIB Leuven, Belgium), **Eric So** (King’s College London, UK), **Keijo Viiri** (Center for Child Health Research, University of Tampere, Finland)

**Session IV: Epigenetics and Society**
- **Lucia Daxinger** (Leiden University Medical Center, the Netherlands), **Miina Ollikainen** (University of Helsinki, Finland), **Kirsi Pietiläinen** (University of Helsinki, Finland)

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