Schedule of Events

8:00 am    Poster Session and Continental Breakfast
9:00 am    Welcoming Remarks
9:10 am    Maternal Capital and the Metabolic Ghetto: an Evolutionary Perspective on How Society Shapes the Intergenerational Transmission of Health—Jonathan Wells, PhD
10:10 am   Break
10:30 am   The Role of Intergenerational Studies in Informing Cancer Prevention—Mary Beth Terry, PhD
11:30 am   Award Presentation and Closing Remarks

Keynote Speakers

Jonathan Wells, PhD
Professor of Anthropology and Pediatric Nutrition, Institute of Child Health, University College London

Dr. Wells received his PhD in Biological Anthropology and Nutrition at the University of Cambridge and completed post-doctoral research at the MRC Dunn Nutrition Unit in Cambridge. Dr. Wells’ research focuses on pediatric body composition and energy metabolism. He is involved in numerous collaborative projects worldwide to understand the links between early-life nutrition and later health. To aid the interpretation of these data and their application to public health nutrition policies, he also works extensively on evolutionary theory, addressing the association between developmental plasticity and health. Finally, he supports clinical work at Great Ormond Street Hospital, enabling the measurement of energy metabolism and body composition in patients.

Mary Beth Terry, PhD
Professor of Epidemiology, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

Dr. Terry received her PhD in Epidemiology from Columbia University. Her research focuses on breast cancer and in the molecular epidemiology and life course methods of the disease. She is a cancer epidemiologist with more than 15 years of leading studies of breast cancer etiology specifically focused on the role genetics, epigenetics, and other biomarkers play in modifying the effects of environmental exposure. Dr. Terry has authored or co-authored over 200 scientific publications. She currently leads four NIH grants and is funded through the Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

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