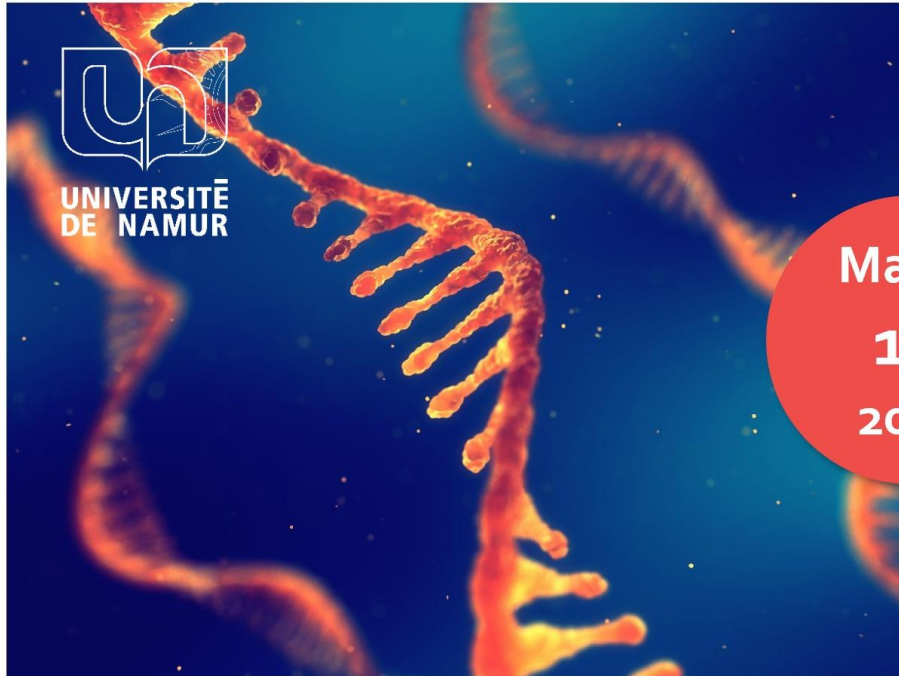


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## Non-coding RNA in health and disease



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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**Prof. Denis LAFONTAINE**

RNA Molecular Biology, ULB

**Prof. Eleonora LEUCCI**

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**Prof. Pieter MESTDAGH**

OncoRNALab, UGhent

**Dr. Antonin MORILLON**

Institut Curie, Paris

**Dr. Sébastien PFEFFER**

Architecture and Reactivity of RNA, Université de Strasbourg

**IN-PERSON MEETING!**

A joint meeting of the Belgian Society for Cell and Developmental Biology (BSCDB) and the Namur Research Institute for Life Sciences (NARILIS)



Université de Namur, So1 auditorium

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## Conference theme and objectives

Protein-coding genes account for less than 2% of the entire genome. The other 98% were considered for years as “junk” DNA as they correspond to non-coding genomic sequences. However, it is now becoming clear that the major part of the genome is transcribed into RNA molecules and that these non-coding RNAs have important regulatory roles in gene expression.

The present meeting will focus on this non-coding part of the genome, which still remains largely unexplored. It will shed light on recent advances in the discovery of new non-coding RNAs and their functional characterization. The topics covered during the meeting will relate both to small non-coding RNAs (i.e. miRNA), as well as to the more recently described long non-coding RNAs and circular RNAs. In addition to their involvement in fundamental biological processes, their contribution in various diseases will also be addressed. Their use as diagnostic markers and their potential as future therapeutic targets will be discussed.

**Seven invited speakers**, with a renowned expertise in the field, will give keynote lectures: Dr. Julieta Aprea Perez, Dresden; Prof. Pierre Close, ULiège; Prof. Denis Lafontaine, ULB; Prof. Eleonora Leucci, KULeuven; Prof. Pieter Mestdagh, UGhent; Dr. Antonin Morillon, Institut Curie, Paris and Dr. Sébastien Pfeffer, Strasbourg.

This event aims at gathering up to **120-150 participants**, including academics, scientific and laboratory staff, PhD students and postdoc researchers from Belgian universities. Young scientists will be invited to submit abstracts for short talks and/or poster presentations.

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