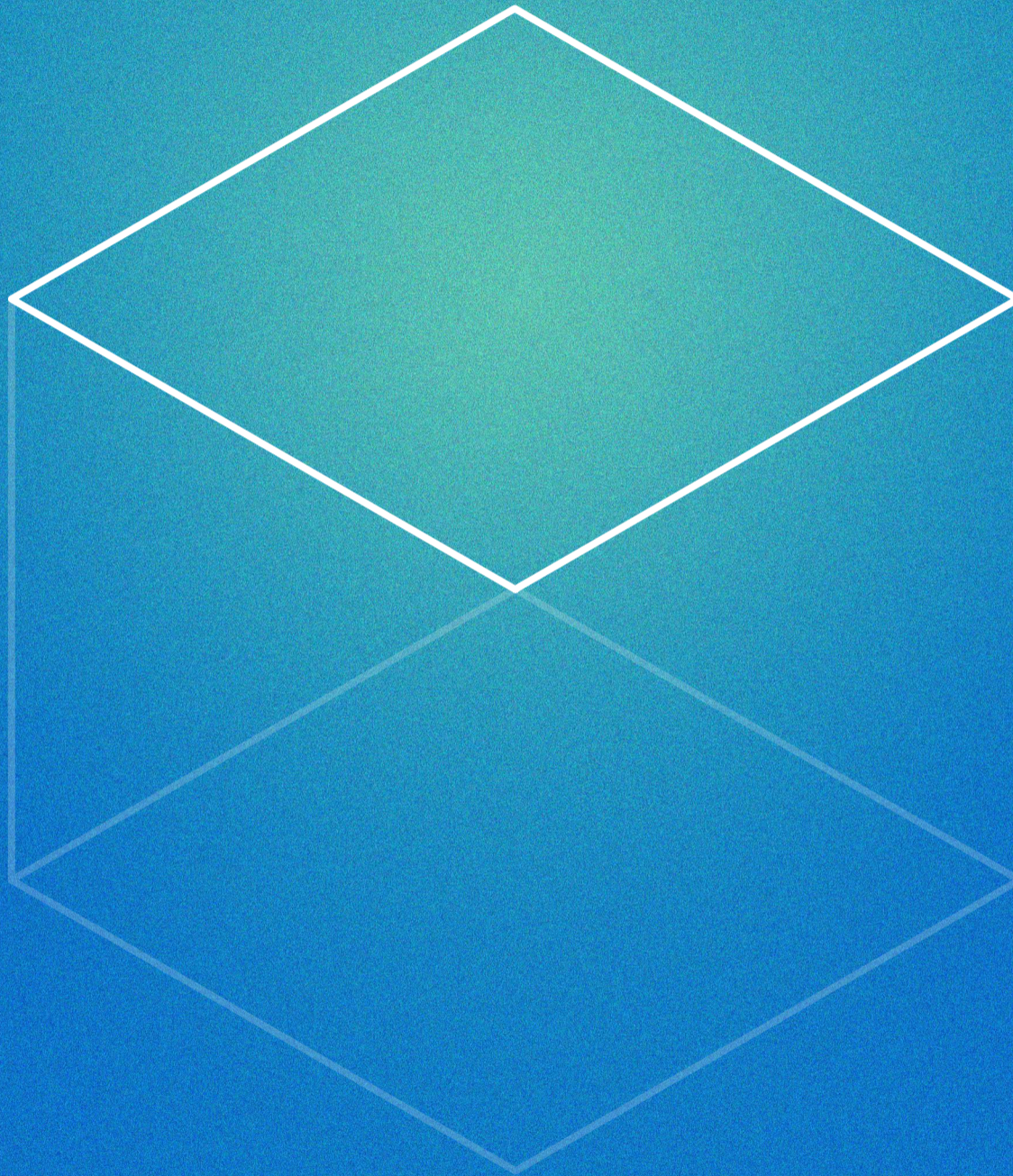


# Neuroscience & Disease

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# Program

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- 08:30**      **Registration**  
*@ Centro de Artes e Espectáculos*
- 10:00**      **Opening session**  
**Pedro Santana Lopes** (Mayor of the Municipality of Figueira da Foz)  
**Luís Pereira Almeida** (CNC-UC President, CiBB Coordinator)  
**Ana Luísa Carvalho** (CNC-UC, CiBB Neuroscience & Disease Coordinator)  
**Chair: Mónica Santos** (CNC-UC, CiBB)
- 10:30**      **Keynote talk: Keeping your nerves**  
**Professor Michael Coleman** (John van Geest Centre for Brain Repair, Senior Research Fellow, Churchill College, University of Cambridge, UK)  
**Chair: Alessio Vagnoni** (MIA-Portugal, CiBB)
- 11:30**      **Coffee break**
- 12:00**      **CiBB N&D research in action**  
**To fear, or not to fear: we have the answer! | Mónica Santos** (CNC-UC, CiBB)  
**EYS-associated retinal dystrophy: from human cohorts and disease models to gene editing therapy | Henrique Alves** (iCBR-FMUC, CiBB)  
**Intracellular dynamics and neuronal ageing | Alessio Vagnoni** (MIA-Portugal, CiBB)  
**From Models to Medicines: Gene Therapy Approaches for Neurodegenerative Diseases | Rui Nobre** (CNC-UC, GeneT, CiBB)  
**Chair: Raquel Boia** (iCBR-FMUC, CiBB)
- 13:20**      **Highlights of the year**  
*Significant highlights from the N&D thematic area @ CiBB*
- 13:30**      **Lunch**
- 15:00**      **Introduction to team building activity**
- 15:30**      **Team building activity: How to win an Ig Nobel Prize**
- 16:30**      **Presentations of the Ig Nobel projects**  
**Chair: Ester Coutinho** (CNC-UC, CiBB)
- 17:30**      **Closing session**
- 18:00**      **Sunset party**