

INTERNATIONAL PAEDIATRIC ONCO-CRITICAL CARE

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L O N D O N 2 0 2 5

Wednesday 30 April
9am–5pm (BST)



Conway Hall,
London and online



Stream 1



Stream 2
(Nursing)



09:00 – 09:30	Registration for those attending in-person	
09:30 – 09:45	Welcome and opening remarks	Dr Joe Brierley , Paediatric Intensivist and Director of Paediatric Bioethics <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
09:45 – 10:30	Developments in PICU Haemato-Oncology	Dr Roelie Wösten-van Asperen , Consultant Paediatric-Intensivist <i>Wilhelmina Children's Hospital</i>
	High risk oncology transfers	Louise Burton , Advanced Nurse Practitioner (Children's Acute Transport Service) <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
10:30 – 11:15	CAR-T cells, the GOSH story	Dr Sara Ghorashian , Consultant Paediatric Haematologist & Honorary Senior Lecturer <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
	The future of children's nursing research	Professor Faith Gibson , Deputy Chief Nurse <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i> Professor of Child Health & Cancer Care <i>University of Surrey</i>
11:15 – 11:45	Break	
11:45 – 12:30	Hyperinflammation in Onco-Critical Care	Dr Melissa Hines , Associate Member, Division of Critical Care <i>St. Jude Children's Research Hospital</i>
	Siblings in the PICU	Dr Lizzie Bichard , Clinical Site Practitioner <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30 – 14:15	Listening to children and families	Professor Faith Gibson , Deputy Chief Nurse <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i> Professor of Child Health & Cancer Care <i>University of Surrey</i>

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14:15 – 15:15	Abstract competition: Case reports	
14:15 – 14:30	Congenital acute megakaryoblastic leukemia with t(1;22)(p13;q13), without Down syndrome on PICU	Dr Jesús Angel Domínguez Rojas , Medical Doctor <i>Instituto Nacional de Salud del Niño</i>
14:30 – 14:45	Early Severe CRS Leading to Rapid ICANS Progression in a Pediatric Patient Undergoing CAR-T Therapy	Dr Ariana Castro , Medical Doctor <i>AC Camargo Cancer Center</i>
14:45 – 15:00	Severe Complications in Pediatric B-Cell ALL: How Far Should We Go in Escalating Care?	Dr Kezia Imanuella Godam , General Practitioner <i>Dr. Cipto Mangunkusumo National Referral Hospital</i>
15:00 – 15:15	Management of a critical airway emergency secondary to severe mucositis	Dr Caris Coyle , Junior Clinical Fellow in Paediatric Critical Care <i>Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust - John Radcliffe Hospital</i>
15:15 – 15:45	Break	
15:45 – 16:20	Roundtable debates: <i>Should children with cancer and early respiratory failure be admitted to PICU?</i>	Dr Asya Agulnik , Director of the St. Jude Global Critical Care Program <i>St. Jude Children's Research Hospital</i> Professor Mark Peters , Consultant Paediatric Intensivist <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i> Professor of Paediatric Intensive Care <i>University College London</i>
16:20 – 17:00	Roundtable debates: <i>Where should critically-ill young people with cancer be cared for?</i>	Professor Mervyn Singer , Professor of Intensive Care Medicine <i>University College London</i> Dr Joe Brierley , Paediatric Intensivist and Director of Paediatric Bioethics <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
17:00 – 17:15	Closing remarks	
17:15 – 19:00	Optional social drinks (Café space, Level 2, Zayed Centre for Research, 20c Guilford Street, London, WC1N 1DZ)	

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09:00 – 09:30	Registration for those attending in-person	
09:30 – 10:15	Extracorporeal treatment in patients receiving cancer & hematopoietic stem cell transplantation- why not?	Dr Matteo Di Nardo , Consultant Neonatal and Paediatric Intensivist <i>Children's Hospital Bambino Gesù</i> ESPNIC Secretary
	A difficult journey – Challenging cases	GOSH and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Staff
10:15 – 11:00	New neuro-oncology treatments likely to trouble the intensivist – Future research	Professor Darren Hargrave , GOSHCC Clinical Professor in Paediatric Neuro Oncology <i>University College London</i> GOSICH & Honorary Consultant Paediatric Oncologist <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
	A difficult journey – Challenging cases continued	GOSH and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Staff
11:00 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 – 12:30	Abstract competition: Oral presentations	
11:30 – 11:45	GUT colonization by MDR gram negative organism and its impact on Bacteremia and sepsis development among children with hematological malignancies	Professor Reham Abdelaziz Khedr , Senior Consultant, Pediatric Oncology Department <i>Children's Cancer Hospital Egypt 57357</i>
11:45 – 12:00	Establishing a collaborative network for critically ill pediatric cancer patients across Latin America	Dr Gladys Michelle Alejandra Méndez Aceituno , Doctor of Medicine <i>St Jude Children's Research Hospital</i>
12:00 – 12:15	Outcomes after PEWS implementation in a onco-hematology ward in a pediatric hospital in Argentina	Dr Daniel Tatay , Medical Doctor <i>Hospital de Niños Santísima Trinidad</i>
12:15 – 12:30	Outcomes within 100 days of hematopoietic cell transplantation in pediatric patients: Insights from an intensive care unit in Colombia - Fundación Valle del Lili	Dr Rubén Lasso-Palomino , Pediatric Intensivist <i>Fundación Valle del Lili</i>

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13:30 – 14:15	Sometimes you still need a knife – Latest developments in oncology surgery	Professor Marc Wijnen , Surgeon <i>Princess Máxima Center</i>
	Who cares for the family?	GOSH Social Care Team
14:15 – 15:00	Think like a brain surgeon (an oncological one)	Mr Owase Jeelani , MPhil (Med. Law), FRCS, Consultant Paediatric Neurosurgeon <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i> Professor of Paediatric Neurosurgery <i>University College London</i> Founder <i>Gemini Untwined</i>
	Nursing careers: How did I get here? Undergraduate to postgraduate and beyond	GOSH and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Staff
15:00 – 15:15	Break	
15:15 – 16:00	Heart transplant and VAD for children with chemotherapy-related cardiomyopathy	Dr Matthew Fenton , Chief of Service Heart and Lung <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
16:00 – 16:45	The next generation of targeted therapeutics: Tipping the balance away from toxicity?	Professor John Anderson , Professor of Experimental Paediatric Oncology <i>University College London</i>
16:45 – 17:00	Abstract Prizes and IPOCC 2026	Dr Joe Brierley , Paediatric Intensivist and Director of Paediatric Bioethics <i>Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
		Dr Roelie Wösten-van Asperen , Consultant Paediatric-Intensivist <i>Wilhelmina Children's Hospital</i>
17:00	End	