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Foreward by President of IHNS, Prof Patrick Sheahan

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2nd annual meeting of the Irish Head and Neck Society. The IHNS is a truly multidisciplinary Head & Neck society, with members spanning the specialties of Otolaryngology (ENT), Maxillofacial Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Dentistry, Radiation Oncology, Medical Oncology, Pathology, Radiology, Nursing, Speech & Language Therapy, Nutrition & Dietetics, Physiotherapy, Clinical Psychology, Occupational Therapy, and others.

Our inaugural meeting in 2022 was an overwhelming success, with 120 registered delegates, 65 attendances at the conference dinner, and an outstanding scientific program featuring 6 international guest speakers, as well as the best speakers from Ireland from multiple specialties.

This year's meeting promises to be even greater success, with a world-class program featuring 8 international speakers, all recognized as true leaders within their fields of Head & Neck Cancer. In addition, we have a vibrant social program with excellent opportunities for networking with colleagues within and across specialties.

A special thank you to our Sponsors, who have made this meeting possible. I would ask you all to please visit and interact with the sponsors during the meeting. A special thanks also to the Lyrath Hotel, Ollie O'Flanagan, Fastlane AV, Quality Print, and Brickisred (IT).

I wish you all an enjoyable and fruitful meeting, and that you will take something back that will improve care for Head & Neck patients, who remain the core of our efforts.



Prof. Kevin J. Harrington FRCP FRCR FRSB PhD
Professor in Biological Cancer Therapies

Kevin Harrington is an NIHR Senior Investigator and Head of the Division of Radiotherapy and Imaging at The Institute of Cancer Research (ICR)/ Royal Marsden Hospital (RMH). He is the RMH/ICR NIHR Biomedical Research Centre lead for the Targeted Physical Therapies theme, Director for the ICR/RM CRUK RadNet Centre of Excellence, Chair of the CRUK Advanced Radiotherapy Network (ART-NET) Network Accelerator, Chair of the ICR Wellcome Trust Clinical Training Programme and an Executive Board member for the CRUK ICR/Imperial Major Centre for Convergence Science. He is also an Honorary Consultant Clinical Oncologist at The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust and at St George's Hospital, specialising in developing new treatments with a specific focus on head and neck cancer (HNC).

His research interests include immunotherapy, targeted radiation sensitisers and oncolytic virotherapy. In the field of immunotherapy for cancer, he has been involved in the development of immune checkpoint inhibitors (PD-1, PD-L1, CTLA-4, TIGIT, CD47 inhibitors) and innate immune activators (eg cyclic dinucleotide (CDN) and non-CDN STING agonists). He serves on Steering Committees and Scientific Advisory Boards that have guided the development of trials of immune checkpoint inhibitors in head and neck cancer (including Keynote-040, -048, -412, -689, CheckMate-141, -651, 714, Kestrel, Javelin-100). He has been Principal Investigator of multiple phase I, II and III studies of novel agents in HNC. He leads a programme of pre-clinical and clinical research in targeted radiosensitisers (Chk1i, HSP90i, ATRi), including the first-in-man phase I PATRIOT study of the ATR inhibitor, AZD6738. This work focuses largely on the potential immunological effects of combinations of DNA damage response inhibition and radiation. In oncolytic virotherapy, he has led in developing DNA (HSV [talimogene laherparepvec, RP1, RP2 and RP3 viruses] and vaccinia virus) and RNA viruses (Reovirus type 3 Dearing, coxsackievirus A21, Maraba and Newcastle Disease virus).

His expertise has been recognized in membership of multiple national and international practice-defining guideline committees: British Association of Head and Neck Oncology (BAHNO), UK National Multidisciplinary guidelines (2011, 2015); Chair, UK Head and Neck Mucosal Melanoma Group (2018-2020); International Nasopharynx Cancer guidelines (2018, 2019, 2020); Human Intratumoural Immunotherapy (HIT-IT) (2018); Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) HNC guidelines (2019); Intratumoural RECIST Guideline Group (2019-2020); ASTRO/ESTRO guideline group to define risk-adapted radiotherapy in COVID patients with HNC (2020); founding Steering Committee member of the ESMO Co-CARE Registry (2020); SITC Intratumoural Therapy Expert Panel (2022).

He received the 2019 BAHNO President's Achievement Award and was the 2021 Semon Lecturer (Royal Society of Medicine).

Prof. Harrington has published >570 peer-reviewed publications and >50 book chapters. He was listed as a Clarivate Highly Cited Researcher in 2021 and 2022.

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Dr Justin Roe
Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust, London
Consultant and Professional Lead for Speech & Language Therapy

Dr Justin Roe is a Consultant and Professional Lead for Speech and Language Therapy at the Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust in London. He is also the Clinical Service Lead for the Complex Laryngology Service/ National Centre for Airway Reconstruction at Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust. He is an Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer in the Department of Surgery and Cancer at Imperial College London.

Justin was awarded a PhD in 2013 from the Institute of Cancer Research in London. He is now actively involved in a number of Cancer Research UK and National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) portfolio studies. He is the survivorship theme lead for the International Centre for Recurrent Head and Neck Cancer (IReC) delivered by the Royal Marsden.

Justin has contributed to key policy and position papers and is an expert adviser to several national organisations. He is a Council Member for the British Association of Head and Neck Oncologists and the British Laryngological Association. He was awarded the Fellowship of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists in 2018 and an MBE in the 2022 Queen's New Year Honours in recognition of his contribution to the profession.



Dr Patrick Gullane

Dr Patrick Gullane was born in Ireland and received his medical degree from NUI-Galway, Ireland. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada and certified by the American Board of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. In 1975 he was selected as the McLaughlin Fellow and then pursued advanced Fellowship training in Head and Neck Oncology in Pittsburgh, and New York.

In 1978, Dr Gullane was appointed to the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at the University of Western Ontario, Canada. He was subsequently recruited in 1983 to the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at the University of Toronto. He currently holds the Wharton Chair in Head and Neck Surgery at the University Health Network and University of Toronto. In 1989 he was appointed as Otolaryngologist-in-Chief within the University Health Network and in 2002 appointed as Professor and Chair of the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.

Dr Gullane is a member of numerous Surgical Societies, nationally/internationally and has been invited as a Visiting Professor to over 65 countries lecturing on all aspects of Head and Neck Oncology. He has delivered over 635 invited and Keynote presentations nationally/internationally including the Eugene Myers International lecture in September 2006, received the 2007 Medtronic Alumni Award from the National University of Ireland (Galway) for contributions to Health Care and Medical Science, delivered the Sir Peter Freyer Memorial lecture to the Irish Surgical Forum NUI-Galway in 2009, the John J. Conley lecture to the American Head and Neck Society in 2012, the 87th Abraham Colles lecture at the Royal College of Surgeons

in Ireland in February 2012, the Hayes Martin lecture at the 5th World Congress of IFHNOS and annual meeting of the Head and Neck Society in New York in July 2014 and the Gunnar Holmgren Lecture to the Swedish Society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery April 2018. He was one of the six International Faculty leaders who conducted the IFHNOS Head and Neck World Tour Program in 2008.

Dr Gullane has published 368 papers in peer-reviewed journals and 98 chapters in textbooks. In addition he has published 10 books on various aspects of Head and Neck Surgery. He has served as President of the American Head & Neck Society, The North American Skull Base Society, President of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and Vice President of the Triological Society. In recognition of his distinguished achievements, Professor Gullane was awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 2006, Honorary Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 2010 and an Honorary Fellowship in the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland in 2012.

He was elected to Fellowship in the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences in 2011 and in 2010 was appointed as a Member to the Order of Canada by the Governor General of Canada, Cited for his inspiration of young surgeons and his contributions to the field of Head and Neck Surgery. In 2014, in recognition of his outstanding contributions an endowed Chair was named in his honour at the University Health Network/University of Toronto.

In February 2015, Dr Gullane was appointed as a Member to the Order of Ontario by the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario for his achievements in the field of Head and Neck Surgery. In June 2022 he was awarded an Hon. Doctorate from Western University, London, Ontario. Finally, he has facilitated the establishment of Six University-Hospital Chairs: Head & Neck Surgery, Reconstruction, Radiation Oncology, and Basic Science, from private funding donations in excess of \$19.5 M., with continual funding up to the present time.



Davide Lombardi, MD FACS

Dr Lombardi qualified from the School of Medicine, University of Brescia, in 1999, and obtained his specialization in Otorhinolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery, in 2003. His current position is full-time Consultant at the Department of Otorhinolaryngology – Head

and Neck Surgery, University of Brescia, Italy. His main areas of interest are thyroid surgery, salivary gland surgery, and sinonasal Surgery. He serves as a reviewer for multiple journals, including “Head and Neck”, “Oral Oncology”, “European Archives of Otorhinolaryngology and Head & Neck”, “Laryngoscope”, “Clinical Otolaryngology”, “Rhinology”, “Thyroid”, “Tumori”, and is an Editorial Board member of “Frontiers in Surgery”.

He has authored Peer-reviewed papers in indexed journals and 14 Book Chapters. He is Treasurer of the MULTISCIPLINARY SALIVARY GLAND SOCIETY (MSGs), and is a member of the AMERICAN HEAD AND NECK SOCIETY (AHNS), the INTERNATIONAL NEURO-MONITORING STUDY GROUP (INMG), The AMERICAN THYROID ASSOCIATION (ATA), The ENDOCRINE TUMOR

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GROUP OF EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR RESEARCH AND TREATMENT OF CANCER (EO-RTC), and is an ASSOCIATE FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS (ACS)



Dr. Snehal G. Patel

Dr. Snehal G. Patel is an Attending Surgeon in the Head and Neck Service at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Professor of Otolaryngology at the Weill Medical College of Cornell University, New York.

He is an internationally renowned expert in the multidisciplinary treatment of complex tumors of the head and neck area and is especially interested in minimally invasive image-guided treatment approaches.

Dr. Patel has a special interest in developing new technology and approaches for the treatment of patients with head and neck cancer. The overall goal of his research is to improve outcomes of treatment, patient satisfaction and post-therapy quality of life. He is working to achieve this goal based on a multi-pronged research program that includes development of new technology for in vivo imaging and minimally invasive treatment of tumors, evaluation of patient expectations and development of novel patient education techniques, development of statistical methods for predicting individualized outcomes, and assessment of quality of care, post-therapy patient satisfaction and quality of life. He holds several US patents for novel technology and methods for imaging and surgical applications of his research efforts. His research has been funded by competitive peer-reviewed intra and extramural grants. He is a member of several national and international societies and serves on scientific committees including the American Joint Committee on Cancer Head and Neck Staging Task Force. His clinical research has resulted in over 300 peer-reviewed scientific publications in addition to numerous book chapters and three textbooks on head and neck cancer.



Dr. Hilda E. Stambuk

Dr. Hilda E. Stambuk is an Attending Neuroradiologist and Professor of Radiology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Weill Medical College of Cornell University in New York.

Dr. Stambuk has been on the staff of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center since 2000 where she is currently the Director of Head and Neck Radiology. She has a special interest in head and neck oncology and has particular expertise in CT-guided biopsy of head and neck tumors. Her research interests include investigation of advanced imaging methods and multimodality nanoparticle imaging for the diagnosis and treatment of head and neck tumors.

Dr. Stambuk is an experienced and avid educator who has written numerous peer-reviewed articles and book chapters on imaging of head and neck tumors and is also a contributing editor to the best-selling surgical textbook Jatin Shah's Atlas of Head and Neck Surgery and Oncology. She serves on the Editorial Board of the journal Head and Neck and has been a reviewer for several journals. She has received teaching awards at MSKCC. She is a nationally and internationally recognized lecturer and is involved in print and web-based educational projects including StatDx for radiologists.



Dr Martin Forster

Dr Forster is an Associate Professor at University College London (UCL) and Consultant Medical Oncologist at University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

He specialises in Thoracic and Head and Neck Cancers and has a particular interest in drug development, running a broad portfolio of studies from first-in-human to registration Phase III trials.

He runs a research-based practice, being Principal Investigator or Chief Investigator for over 70 early and late-phase clinical trials since his appointment to UCL in 2009. During his Oncology training he completed a PhD in biomarker development at the Institute of Cancer Research and he collaborates broadly with national and international groups involved in translational research.

He has published on topics ranging from cancer biology to translational oncology and clinical studies. He is UCL ECMC Academic Lead and UCLH Lead for Cancer Research. He chairs the NIHR Head & Neck Research Group and is Joint Lead for the Clinical Trials Theme of the Cancer Research UK Lung Cancer Centre of Excellence. He is also the North Thames Clinical Research Network Thoracic and Head & Neck Cancer Speciality Lead.



Ralph William Gilbert, MD, FRCSC

Otolaryngologist-in-Chief, University Health Network Gullane / O'Neil Chair, Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, University Health Network Professor of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, University of Toronto

Dr. Ralph Gilbert is the Otolaryngologist-in-Chief at University Health Network and holds the Gullane/O'Neil Chair in Otolaryngology/H&N Surgery. He is a Professor of Otolaryngology/H&N Surgery at the University of Toronto.

Dr. Gilbert completed his MD training at the University of Toronto in 1980, and his Postgraduate training in Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery in 1986. He completed two fellowships, one in Head and Neck Oncology at the University of Toronto and the second in Reconstructive Microsurgery at the University of Linköping in Sweden.

Dr. Gilbert has served in numerous leadership roles including Head of Surgical Oncology at the Odette Cancer Centre, Head and Neck Site Group Lead at Princess Margaret, Cancer Committee Chair and Vice-Chair of the UHN Medical Advisory Committee. Dr. Gilbert has led the Department of Otolaryngology/H&N Surgery at UHN since 2012.

Dr. Gilbert has a clinical and research focus in Head and Neck Oncology and complex Head and Neck Reconstruction of the Larynx, Airway and Oral Cavity with a 30 year experience in Reconstructive Microsurgery.

OVERVIEW

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8.45am Welcome – Professor Patrick Sheahan

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12.30-1.00 **Keynote**

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- **Prof Ralph Gilbert (Toronto):** “New frontiers in Reconstruction”

1.00-2.00 **Lunch break**

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3.15-3.45 **Coffee break**

3.40-4.45 **Stump the Professors –clinical cases.**

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Moderators: Mr David Curtin (Belfast); Dr Cynthia Heffron (Cork)

3.00-3.30 Keynote

Chairs: Mr Robbie Woods (Beaumont); Mr M Habib Khan (Cork)

- Dr Davide Lombardi: Sinonasal mucosal melanoma

3.30 Best posters: Dr Cynthia Heffron

Awarding of prizes: Dr Eleanor O'Sullivan

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Alanna Quinn ^{1,2}, Michael Walsh ^{1,2}, Natalie VanDenBerg ^{1,2}, Tom Moran ^{2,3}, Fergal O'Duffy ^{2,3,4}

1. Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland, 2. Dept. of Otorhinolaryngology-Head, Neck Surgery, St. Vincent's University Hospital, Dublin, 3. Dept. of Otorhinolaryngology-Head, Neck Surgery, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin, 4. School of Medicine, University College Dublin

9.08-9.16 Trends and outcomes in management of thyroid cancer in Ireland

Gerard Sexton ¹, TJ Crotty ¹, SM Staunton ², A Brennan ³, Conrad Timon ¹, John Kinsella ¹, Paul Lennon ¹, Conall Fitzgerald ¹

1. Dept. of Otorhinolaryngology-Head, Neck Surgery, St James Hospital, Dublin; 2. Dept. of Pathology, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin; 3. National Cancer Registry of Ireland

9.16-9.24 Second Primary Tumours after Surgical treatment of Oral Cavity Cancer: A 21 Year Analysis

Ryan O'Sullivan ¹, Deirdre Callanan ¹, Hadeel Jawad ², David Brinkman ¹, Ross O'Shea ¹, Andrew Dias ¹, Linda Feeley ^{2,3}, Patrick Sheahan ^{1,3}

1. Dept. of Otorhinolaryngology-Head, Neck Surgery, South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork. 2. Department of Pathology Department, Cork University Hospital, Cork, 3. ENTO Research Institute, University College Cork

9.24-9.30 Discussion

9.30-9.38 A Multidisciplinary Preoperative Session for patients awaiting major head and neck surgery: A Quality Improvement Initiative

Maire Ring ¹, Fionnuala Muldoon ², Victor O'Brien ³, Brid Long ³, Catherine Hayes ⁴, Margaret Joyce ⁴, Jane Murphy ⁵, Ann Madigan ⁶

1. Dept. of Speech and Language Therapy, 2. Dept. of Nutrition and Dietetics; 3. Dept. of Physiotherapy; 4. Dept. of Nursing, 5. Dept. of Social Work; 6. Department of Occupational Therapy, South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork.

9.38-9.46 Impact of a Head and Neck Oncology Advanced Nurse Practitioner in a Head and Neck Cancer Centre in Ireland

Deirdre Callanan ^{1,2}, Patrick Sheahan ^{2,3}

1. Department of Nursing, 2. Dept. of Otolaryngology-Head, Neck Surgery, South Infirmary

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Victoria University Hospital, Cork, 3. ENTO Research Institute, University College Cork

9.46-9.54 A retrospective review of the incidence of osteoradionecrosis in Head and Neck Cancer (HNC) patients in Southern Ireland, 2010-2021 and factors associated with its development.

Kate Fitzgerald¹, Ciara Lyons¹, Eleanor O'Sullivan^{2,3}.

1. Dept. of Radiation Oncology, Glandore Centre, Cork University Hospital, 2. Cork University Dental School & Hospital, 3. ENTO Research Institute, University College Cork

9.54-10.00 Discussion

10.00-10.08 Analysis of Factors that Predict Outcomes in Major head and Neck Reconstructions with Implementation of the National Flap Registry

Shane Cullen, Susan McCrossan, Aileen Egan, Alan Hussey

Dept. of Plastics and Reconstructive Surgery, Galway University Hospital

10.08-10.16 Speech and Swallow Outcomes in Oral Cavity Cancer: An observational study comparing free flap reconstruction versus no formal reconstruction.

Cian J. Henry¹, Emma McShane¹, Paul Lennon², John Kinsella², Conrad Timon², Colm Murphy¹, Conor Bowe¹, John-Edward O'Connell¹

1. Dept. of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, 2. Dept. of Otolaryngology-Head, Neck Surgery, St. James's Hospital, Dublin.

10.16-10.24 Early feeding after free flap reconstruction for oral cancer

Grainne Brady¹, Lauren Leigh-Doyle¹, Mr Francesco Riva², Professor Cyrus Kerawala², Justin Roe¹

1. Dept. of Speech, Voice and Swallowing, The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust, Dept. of Surgery and Cancer, Imperial College London. 2. Head and Neck Unit, The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust, London.

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2.00-2.07 Vocal Cord Outcomes After Loss of IONM Signal

Sruthi Ramesh, Patrick Sheahan,

Dept. of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork, Ireland

2.08-2.15 Analysis of Patient-Reported Outcome Measures (PROMs) Following Major Head and Neck Reconstructive Surgery using the FACE-Q - Head and Neck Cancer Module

Mehreen Ahmad, Shane Cullen, Daire Goodman, Conor Cudden, Jemima Dorairaj

Dept. of Plastic Surgery, South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital, Cork, and Cork University Hospital

2.15-2.23 I'm leaking again: Evaluation of Unplanned Attendances to an SLT-Led Outpatient Laryngectomy Clinic

Deirdre Leavy, Abbi McCarron

Dept. of Speech and Language Therapy, St. James' Hospital, Dublin.

2.23-2.30 Zygomatic Implant perforator (ZIP) flaps and Zygomatic implant-based rehabilitation for patients with Maxillary and Mid-facial Oncology Defects.

Brian Martin¹, Edward Cotter², James Paul O'Neill³, Conor Bowe¹, John Edward O'Connell¹

1. National Maxillofacial Unit, St James's Hospital, Dublin; 2. Blackrock Health Hermitage Clinic, Dublin; 3 Dept. of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

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2.30-2.35 Discussion

SHORT ORAL

2.35-2.40 Systemic imaging for early laryngeal cancer; A single centre review of guideline application in contemporary clinical practice

Parth Tagdiwala, Paul Stimpson, University College London Hospital Trust

2.40-2.45 Transoral Robotic Surgery in the Diagnostic Algorithm for Head and Neck Carcinoma of Unknown Primary

Laura Mc Loughlin¹, Michael Walsh², Tom Moran^{1,2}, Fergal O'Duffy^{1,2,3}, Henry Zhang⁴, Megan Blom⁴, Ben Dixon^{4,5}, Matthew Magarry^{4,5},

1. Dept. of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin, 2. Dept. of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery, St. Vincents University Hospital, Dublin, 3. School of Medicine, University College Dublin, 4. Dept. of Head & Neck Surgery, Peter McCollum Cancer Centre, Melbourne, Australia

VIDEO PRESENTATIONS

2.45-2.50 Endoscopic-assisted approach to extremely distal tracheal margin in laryngectomy: an alternative to mediastinal tracheostomy

Rachel Wu, Gerard Sexton, Con Timon, John Kinsella, Conall Fitzgerald, Paul Lennon, ORLHNS, St James Hospital

Dept. of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, St James's Hospital, Dublin

2.50-2.55 Transverse Cervical Artery Perforator Flap- A Case Series and Video Point of Technique from the West of Ireland.

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2.55-3.00 Discussion

3.00-3.30 Keynote

Chairs: Mr Robbie Woods (Beaumont); Mr M Habib Khan (Cork)

- Dr Davide Lombardi: Sinonasal mucosal melanoma



- 3.30** **Best posters:** Dr Cynthia Heffron
Awarding of prizes: Dr Eleanor O'Sullivan
Closing remarks: Professor Patrick Sheahan

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POSTERS

P1. Parathyroid surgery outcomes in high BMI patients, single surgeon experience

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P2. Occult Nodal Disease and Survival in Oral Cavity Cancer: Analysis of Prognostic Factors

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P3. Occult metastatic disease and the role of elective nodal dissection in primary parotid salivary malignancies

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P4. Topical Haemostatic Agents in Head & Neck Surgery: A Narrative Review

Alison McHugh, Lisa O'Byrne, Thava Subramaniam, John Lang, Orla Young

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P5. A Challenging Case of Actinomyces Syndrome in a Patient with Free Flap Reconstruction of a Mastoid Defect

Mehreen Ahmad, Aiman Khan, Tess Derksen, Jemima Dorairaj

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P6. Surgical Outcomes in Children with Down Syndrome for Obstructive Sleep Apnea

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P7. Multidisciplinary Management of Sino-Nasal Sarcomas

Michael Walsh, Amy Schranz, Alanna Quinn, Nicola Van Den Berg, Fergal O'Duffy.

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P8. Epidemiology of thyroid cancer in Ireland : a quieter epidemic

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P9. Multifocal adult-type Rhabdomyoma - an extremely rare cause of a neck mass in a 60-year-old smoker

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P10. Preliminary findings from a prospective cohort study of patients, including with Head and Neck Cancer (HNC), accessing a novel community Fiberoptic Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing (FEES) service led by Midwest Community Healthcare (MWCH) Speech and Language Therapy (SLT).

Monica Clancy ¹, Elaine Kerins ², Una Deane ², Oonagh McCarthy ³, Sarah Curran ¹, Kate Hayes ², Elaine Whelan ³, Stephen Ryan ⁴, Molly Manning ⁵, Anne Griffin ⁶, Rose Galvin ⁷

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P11. Identifying oral squamous cell carcinoma (OSCC) using a diffuse reflectance probe (DRS).

Phase 1: Developing a protocol

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P12. Managing Lymphoedema Following Treatment for Head and Neck Cancer: Is Complete Decongestive Therapy an Effective Intervention to Improve Dysphagia Outcomes?

Alison Smith, Dept. of Macmillan Speech and Language Therapy, University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire

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P14. Patient engagement with outpatient head and neck cancer physiotherapy services in a National Cancer Centre.

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P15. Cross-Sectional Study of the Physical Functioning of Head and Neck Cancer Survivors Up To One Year Post Treatment In an Irish National Cancer Centre.

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P16. Evaluation of a Training Module for Speech and Language Therapists in Head and Neck Oncology

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P17. Management of Pharyngoesophageal Spasm in Laryngectomy using Videofluoroscopic-guided Injection of Botulinum Toxin: A Case Study.

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P18. Surgical Outcomes of Mastoidectomy in the Management of Cholesteatoma

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P19. Recurrent Metastatic Basal Cell Carcinoma (MBCC) in a 29 year old male: Case Report and Literature Review

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P20. The dental oncology complication that wouldn't go away.

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P21. Quality of Life in Head and Neck Cancer patients receiving home enteral nutrition at the South Infirmary Victoria University Hospital

Fionnuala Muldoon, Emma Clifford, Orla McMahon, Deirdre O'Neill, Grainne McCarthy
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P22. An audit of gastrostomy tube insertion in head and neck cancer patients at a Regional Head and Neck Cancer Centre

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P23. A retrospective audit of fasting practices pre and post head and neck cancer surgery at a regional centre - preliminary findings

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P24. A retrospective audit of initiation of oral nutrition post head and neck cancer surgery at a regional centre - preliminary findings

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P26. Rare entities: Metachronous salivary gland malignancies

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P29. Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma (NPC) in Children, Teen and Young Adults: A Single Centre Experience.

Claire M Rooney, K Brown, KP Rooney, PM McCloskey, C Crockett, K Taylor, G Lindsay, F Houghton.

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P30. The efficacy and safety of botulinum toxin injection in the treatment of sialorrhoea in children: a structured review

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P31. Benign, potentially malignant & malignant oral lesions; an analysis of oral and gut microbiota

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P32. Role of Speech and Language Therapy in Head and Neck Oncology Services: Audit of

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P33. Metastatic Paraganglioma - A Rare Presentation of Bleeding in the Oral Cavity

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P34. Lipoma: When to be concerned?

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P35. Healthcare professionals' views and priorities relating to head and neck cancer prehabilitation: A UK perspective.

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P36. Incidence of thyroid cancer, is it worrying? Bangladesh perspective

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P37. A closed loop clinical audit looking at whether vital information for neck stoma patients is displayed by the bedside.

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P38. A single centre experience with Minor Salivary Gland Carcinoma. A clinicopathological retrospective study

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P39. Clinical benefit of FEES for initiation of PO intake during and after radiotherapy for Head and Neck Cancer

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