

Cancer Grand Challenges Future Leaders Conference 2024

Wednesday 13 November to Friday 15 November

Novotel Barcelona City, Spain

Day/Time	Wednesday 13 November	Thursday 14 November	Friday 15 November		
08:00	Social activity for early arrivals	Breakfast with your Cancer Grand Challenges team	Breakfast		
08:15		Panel discussion: Introduction to the five new teams tackling cancer inequities, early-onset colorectal cancers, solid tumours in children & T-cell receptors	Optional talk: Funding opportunities from the NCI, CRUK and ERC		
08:30			Cancer cachexia (CANCAN)		
08:45			Role of microbiota in cancer (OPTIMISTIC)		
09:00			Develop novel therapies to target unique features in solid tumours in children (NexTGen)	Break (30min) "Meet the Expert" sessions	
09:15			Break (30min) "Meet the Expert" sessions	Cancer Grand Challenges Collaboration Sandpit: Fostering career-long interactions with your peers	
09:30			Understand how cells and tissues maintain "normal" phenotypes whilst harbouring oncogenic mutations (PROMINENT)		
09:45			How cancer impacts people? Reflections from Patient Advocates		
10:00			Lunch (1 hr) "Meet the Expert" sessions		Lunch (1 hr) "Meet the Expert" sessions
10:15			Registration	Patient Advocacy - Practical tips on how to incorporate the voice of patients in your research	Keynote: Developing T-cell based immunotherapy approaches for childhood cancer Karin Straathof, UCL, London
10:30				Tissue specificity of some cancer genes (SPECIFICANCER)	Collaboration session two: Perfecting your pitch
10:45		Break (30min) "Meet the Expert" sessions		Break (30min)	
11:00		Welcome and introduction to Cancer Grand Challenges		Break and group photo (30min)	Challenge-setting pitches
11:15		Keynote: To be confirmed		Role of extrachromosomal DNAs in cancer (eDyNAmiC)	Awards and conference close
11:30				Collaboration session one: Strategic thinking and challenge-setting	
11:45	Introduction to challenge-setting, networking activities, and ice-breaker	Break (15min)			
12:00	Break (15min)	Break (15min)			
12:15	Poster session one	Poster session two			
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13:30	Novotel Barcelona City rooftop welcome reception	Transport to reception (walking tour or buses)			
13:45		Networking evening at Sant Pau Modernist Hospital Enjoy a standing dinner and an optional tour of the World Heritage site			
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14:45		Free time	Transport		
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