



WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY 2008

Cancer Clinical Trials in the Molecular Era sponsored by Pfizer Oncology and Roche

9.00		REGISTRATION
9.45		Welcome and Opening of Workshop
	Session I:	“CLINICAL TRIALS AND THEIR RELEVANCE”
	Chairs:	Dr Brian Moulton, All Ireland Co-operative Oncology Research Group (ICORG) Chairperson to be confirmed
9.50	Introduction	Prof Mark Lawler, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
10.00		Phase I Clinical Trials Dr Richard Wilson, Belfast City Hospital, Belfast, Northern Ireland
10.30		Phase II/III - Clinical Trials Prof John Crown, St Vincent's University Hospital, Dublin, Ireland
11.00 COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING		
11.30		Clinical Trials in Haematological Malignancies Prof Shaun McCann, St James's Hospital and Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
12.00		Clinical Trials in the EU Directive Era Ms Zoë Doran, Guys Hospital, United Kingdom
12.30		The Evolution of a Cancer Genetics Service in an Academic Teaching Hospital Mr Michael Farrell, St James's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland
13.00 LUNCH AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING		
	Session II:	CANCER CLINICAL TRIALS IN THE 21ST CENTURY
	Chairs:	Dr Elizabeth Vandenberghe, St James's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland Dr Oscar Breathnach, Beaumont and Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
13.50		Challenges in the Treatment of Pancreatic Cancer Dr Ray McDermott, Adelaide and Meath incorporating the National Childrens Hospital, Tallaght, Ireland
14.20	Special Lecture:	The Convergent Development of Molecular - Targeted Drugs for Cancer Treatment and Prevention Prof Scott Lippman, MD Anderson Cancer Centre, Houston, Texas, USA
15.00		Clinical Trials on the Island of Ireland Dr John Kennedy, St James's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland
15.30		Risk Adapted Therapy using Clinical and Genetic Determinants for Children and Adolescents with Lymphoid Malignancies Prof Owen Smith, Our Ladys Children's Hospital, Crumlin, Dublin, Ireland
16.00 COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING		
	Session III:	INTEGRATING TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH INTO CLINICAL TRIALS
	Chairs :	Dr Robert O'Connor, Dublin City University, Ireland Prof Patrick Johnston, Queens University Belfast, Northern Ireland
16.30		Clinical Trials of Mitochondria Targeted Therapy in Thoracic Cancers Dr Dean Fennell, Queens University, Belfast, Northern Ireland
17.00		Keynote Address - Title to be confirmed Prof Rick Kaplan, National Cancer Research Network, Leeds, United Kingdom
17.50		END OF DAY 1

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THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2008
Dublin Castle

8.45	REGISTRATION FOR CANCER 2008 COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/POSTER VIEWING
Session IV: Chairs:	STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS IN CANCER Dr Maccon Keane, University College Hospital, Galway, Ireland Dr Marie Laffoy, Health Services Executive, Dublin, Ireland
9.30	Message from the National Cancer Institute Dr Joe Harford, National Cancer Institute, USA
9.45	Strategic Directions in Cancer, Learning from the NCRN Experience Prof Rick Kaplan, National Cancer Research Network, Leeds, United Kingdom
10.30	The National Program for Radiation Oncology (NPRO) – A work in progress Prof Donal Hollywood, St Lukes Hospital and Institute of Molecular Medicine, St James's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland
11.10	COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING
Session V: Chairs:	CANCER PREVENTION Dr Harry Comber, Director of National Cancer Registry, Ireland Ms Norma Cronin, Irish Cancer Society, Ireland
11.35	The Contribution of Infectious Agents to the Global Burden of Cancer Dr Joe Harford, National Cancer Institute, Washington, USA
12.10	Strategies for Smoking Prevention Dr Kenneth O'Byrne, St James Hospital, Dublin, Ireland
12.40	LUNCH AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING
Session VI: Chairs:	CANCER CARE - HOW ARE WE DOING? Dr Seamus O Reilly, Cork University Hospital Dr Paul Browne, St James's Hospital Dublin, Ireland
13.40	Developing an All-Ireland Institute for Hospice and Palliative Care Prof David Clarke, Lancaster University, United Kingdom
14.10	Title to be confirmed Dr Jon Billings, Health Services Executive, Dublin, Ireland
14.40	Quality Assurance in Cancer Surgery Prof John Reynolds, St James's Hospital and Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
15.10	Cancer Care, the Netherlands Experience Prof Hugo Tilanus, Erasmus University Medical Centre, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
15.40	COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING



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16.00 OFFICIAL OPENING OF CONFERENCE

Opening Address Dr Thomas Mitchell, Chairperson, St James's Hospital
Ms Mary Harney, Minister for Health & Children

**Session VII
Chair:** **CANCER STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD LECTURE**
Prof Mark Lawler, St. James' Hospital and Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

16.30 **The Future for Cancer Medicine**
Prof Patrick Johnston, Queens University Hospital, Belfast, Northern Ireland

**Session VIII:
Chairs:** **INFLAMMATION AND CANCER**
Prof Dermot Kelleher, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
Prof Noel Lowndes, National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland

17.10 **Helicobacter Pylori and Cancer**
Prof Colm Ó'Moráin, Adelaide and Meath incorporating the National Childrens Hospital, Tallaght, Dublin, Ireland

17.40 **Regulatory T Cell Subversion of Anti-tumor Immunity and Their Manipulation in Cancer Immunotherapy**
Prof Kingston Mills, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

**Session IX:
Chair:** **STATE OF THE ART LECTURE**
Prof John Reynolds, St James's Hospital and Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

18.20 **Molecular Insights on the Pathogenesis of Oesophageal Cancer**
Dr Rebecca Fitzgerald, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

19.10 **END OF DAY 2**

20.00 RECEPTION

Hosted by the Department of Health & Children, St. Patrick's Hall, Dublin Castle. Address by Prof Dermot Kelleher Head of School of Medicine and Vice Provost for Medical Affairs, TCD

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FRIDAY 9TH MAY 2008 Dublin Castle

8.15 **REGISTRATION**
COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING

**Session X:
Chairs:** **DEFINING QUALITY IN BREAST CANCER CARE**
Prof Arnold Hill, Beaumont and Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
Mr Terry Boyle, St James's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland

8.45 **Quality Assurance in Breast Cancer Services**
Dr Ann O'Doherty, BreastCheck, Ireland

9.15 **The Surgeon and Breast Cancer: Quality is the Key**
Mr James Geraghty, Adelaide and Meath incorporating the National Children's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland

9.45 **The Role of Pathology in Breast Cancer Care in the 21st Century**
Dr Barbara Dunne, St James's Hospital, Dublin, Ireland

10.15 COFFEE AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING

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	Session XI:	UNDERSTANDING BIOLOGY, UNDERSTANDING CANCER
	Chairs:	Prof Cormac Taylor, University College Dublin, Ireland Dr Graham Pidgeon, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
10.45		Development and Cancer: The HOX Gene Connection Prof Terry Lappin, Queens University Belfast, Northern Ireland
11.20		Epigenetics and Cancer, the Importance of Polycomb Genes Prof Marten Van Lohuizen, The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, Netherlands
	Session XII:	KEY NOTE ADDRESS -
		Irish Cancer Society Lecture
	Chair:	Mr John McCormack, CEO, Irish Cancer Society
12.00		The Dilemma and Promise of Cancer Chemoprevention Prof Scott Lippman, MD Anderson Cancer Centre, Houston, USA
12.45	LUNCH AND EXHIBITION/ POSTER VIEWING	
	Session XIII:	STATE OF THE ART LECTURE
	Chair:	Ms Ann Broekhaven, CEO, St Lukes Hospital Dublin, Ireland
13.45		Improving Palliative Care for Cancer Dr Kathy Foley, Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre, New York, USA
	Session XIV:	MOLECULAR MEDICINE AND CANCER
	Chairs:	Prof Cliona O'Farrelly, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland Prof David Lloyd, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
14.30		Update on the Molecular Biology of Gynaecological Cancer Prof John O'Leary, Coombe Womens Hospital and Trinity College Dublin
15.00		Cell Survival Strategies used by Tumour Cells Prof Tom Cotter, University College Cork, Ireland
15.30		Hepatitis C Virus and Hepatocellular Carcinoma Dr Laura Beretta, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Centre, Seattle, USA
16.15	COFFEE AND POSTER VIEWING	
16.45		Therapeutic Potential of Targeting CXCL-Chemokines within the Tumour Microenvironment of Prostate Cancer Dr David Waugh, Queens University Belfast, Northern Ireland
	Session XV:	STATE OF THE SCIENCE LECTURE
	Chair:	Prof Liam Gallagher, University College Dublin, Ireland
17.15		The Value of Proteomics to the Clinical Perspective in Cancer Dr Sam Hanash, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Centre, Seattle USA
18.00	CONCLUDING REMARKS AND END OF MEETING	