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UKONS Oncology Nursing Society

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DRAFT AGENDA

All main plenary sessions including the industry sponsored sessions will be held in Hall 2

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Friday 13 November

09:00–10:00	**Registration, refreshments and exhibition**
10:00–10:15	**Welcome introduction** Speakers: Dr Mary Tanay, UKONS President & Professor Karen Campbell, UKONS Immediate Past President
10:15–10:45	**Leadership and change: both sides now** Chair: Dr Linda Sherwood Speakers: Professor Danny Kelly OBE, Emeritus Professor, Healthcare Sciences, Cardiff University & Professor Aisha Holloway, Chief Nursing Officer for Scotland
10:45–11:15	**Best abstracts Part I: chosen for plenary** Chair: Dr Jo Bird
11:15–12:00	**Industry sponsored session: Menarini Stemline UK** **Nurse leadership in the genomic era: Empowering hope through ctDNA testing and targeted therapies** *Chair:* **Bethany Maynard**, Senior Lead Advanced Clinical Practitioner for Cancer Care, University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust *Speakers:* **Dr Caroline Michie**, Consultant Medical Oncologist, Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer & NRS Research Clinician, Edinburgh Cancer Centre & University of Edinburgh & **Dr Victoria Harmer**, Consultant Nurse (breast), Imperial College Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
12:00–12:45	**Shaping tomorrow's cancer care: Nursing innovation, impact and opportunity** Chair: Dr Mary Tanay Speakers: Lorna Nevin (N. Ireland), Dr Mhairi Simpson (Scotland), Vicki Havercroft-Dixon (England) & Bethan Hawkes (Wales)
12:45–14:15	**Buffet lunch with exhibition and poster viewing**
14:15–15:30	**Breakout sessions: Selected poster presentations by UKONS members** *Please see overleaf for further information.*

BREAKOUT 1 Lomond Auditorium	BREAKOUT 2 Alsh	BREAKOUT 3 Boisdale	BREAKOUT 4 Hall 1
Clinical Practice Chairs: Ruth Hammond & Hilary Baker	**Education & Training** Chairs: Charlotte Bloodworth & Lara Roskelly	**Leadership & Management** Chairs: Vicki Havercroft-Dixon & Nicola Jones	**Audit & Innovation** Chairs: Debbie Franchini & Exzlle Ceballos

15:30–16:00	**Exhibition and networking with refreshment break.** Served in the exhibition hall Poster authors will be available at their posters for discussion with delegates
16:00–16:45	**Industry sponsored session: GSK** **Bringing eye care professionals into the cancer MDT: Sharing Best Practice** *Chair:* **Dr Barry Quinn**, Senior Lecturer in Cancer and Palliative Care, Queen's University Belfast *Speakers:* **Dr Mervyn Thomas**, Clinical Associate Professor, Honorary Consultant Ophthalmologist and Clinical Lead, Ulverscroft Eye Unit, Leicester & **Christine Skeet**, Lead Myeloma Clinical Nurse Specialist, University Hospital of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust, Royal Derby Hospital
16:45–17:15	**Art of Cancer Care** Chair: Naomi Clatworthy Speaker: Dr Claire McCauley, Director of Learning, Teaching and Quality, Institute of Nursing and Health Research, Ulster University
17:15–18:00	**Walking in my shoes** Chair: Dr Barry Quinn Speaker: Lisa Strutt, Transition and Leadership Coach
18:00–18:15	**Closing remarks** Speakers: Dr Mary Tanay & Dr Linda Sherwood
18:30–23:00	**Welcome Civic Reception hosted by the Lord Provost and Glasgow City Council** Buffet and drinks served from 18:30 in the Argyll Suite of the Crowne Plaza Hotel

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Saturday 14 November

08:00–08:40	**Refreshments and exhibition**			
08:40–08:50	**Welcome to day 2** Speakers: Dr Mary Tanay, UKONS President & Dr Jo Bird, UKONS President Elect			
08:50–09:10	**Transforming cancer care through nursing excellence: A snapshot** Chair: Professor Karen Campbell Speaker: Dr Wendy McInally, President, European Oncology Nursing Society (EONS)			
09:10–09:40	**Industry Collaborative session - organised by UKONS and Daiichi Sankyo Europe** **Building Compassionate Cancer Care Together: From experience to practice** *Programme Launch* Chair: Dr Barry Quinn			
09:40–10:00	**Best abstracts Part II: chosen for plenary** Chair: Dr Jeff Hanna			
10:00–10:45	**Industry sponsored session: Incyte Biosciences UK** **Female sexual wellbeing after pelvic radiotherapy: supporting nurse-led conversations** *Faciltator:* **Jo McNamara**, Therapeutic Radiographer and Senior Lecturer, Sheffield Hallam University *Panel:* **Lorraine Grover**, Psychosexual Nurse Specialist, Harley Street & **Ali Stripling**, Menopause Wellness Practitioner and Patient Advocate, The Brave Behinds			
10:45–11:15	**Exhibition and networking with refreshment break.** Served in the exhibition hall			
11:15–12:15	**BREAKOUT 1** **Lomond Auditorium**	**BREAKOUT 2** **Alsh**	**BREAKOUT 3** **Boisdale**	**BREAKOUT 4** **Hall 1**
	Digital health and AI Chairs: Dr Jeff Hanna & Constance Rowell Professor Cherith Semple, Ulster University, Northern Ireland & Professor Greg Kotronoulas, University of Glasgow, Scotland Followed by selected abstract presentations. *Please see overleaf for further information.*	**SACT** Chairs: Rachel Bryce & Ruth Hammond Laura McNab, Specialist Practice Educator (SACT), The Christie Institute for Cancer Education Followed by selected abstract presentations. *Please see overleaf for further information.*	**Surgery** Chairs: Dr Linda Sherwood & Chenika Goldson **Urology under the knife: surgical perspectives from prostate and penile cancer** Selected Abstract Presentations. *Please see overleaf for further information.*	**Haemato-Oncology** Chairs: Vicki Havercroft-Dixon & Bethany Maynard **Pre-habilitation in HO** Emma Hogbin & Gabriella Harwood **Cardiac toxicity following HO treatment** Priya Reehal **CAR-T** Liz Higgins
12:15–13:15	**Buffet lunch and exhibition and poster viewing**			
13:15–14:15	**BREAKOUT 1** **Lomond Auditorium**	**BREAKOUT 2** **Alsh**	**BREAKOUT 3** **Boisdale**	**BREAKOUT 4** **Hall 1**
	Education, training & career development Chairs: Hilary Baker & Anna McNally **Wessex CNS Induction toolkit** Sinead Parry Followed by selected abstract presentations. *Please see overleaf for further information.*	**AOS** Chairs: Lara Roskelly & Naomi Clatworthy **MUO: From uncertainty to aStandard of Care** Lara Roskelly **Beyond the Acute: The Evolving Role of Acute and Supportive Oncology** Ali Hodge	**Radiotherapy** Chairs: Dr Suriya Kirkpatrick, Jane Ewang & Kathryn Cooper **Beyond the tattoo: Surface guided radiotherapy and the patient experience** Harris Aziz , Anne Crockett & Megan Le-Riche	**Supportive Care** Chairs: Professor Karen Campbell & Emma Chalmers Selected Abstract Presentations *Please see overleaf for further information.*
14:30–15:15	**Industry sponsored session: BMS** **From innovation to impact: Exploring models for delivering subcutaneous immunotherapy from hospital to home** *Chair:* **Rachel Bryce**, Advance Clinical Practitioner (ACP) in Oncology, University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust *Speakers:* **Sally Long,** Lead Systemic Anti-Cancer Nurse (SACT) Nurse, University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust & **Jacqui Warden,** Lead SACT Nurse, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust			
15:15–15:45	**Improving the Cancer Journey: How person-led, community-based support reduces inequities** Chair: Professor Karen Campbell Hosts: Paul Middleton, Digital Learning and Instructional Design Lead at Macmillan Cancer Support & Olivia Gell, Professional Development and Knowledge Lead, Macmillan Cancer Support Speaker: Donna Bruce, Programme Manager for Macmillan Improving the Cancer Journey Lanarkshire			
15:45–16:15	**UKONS Poster Prizes**			
16:15–16:30	**Closing remarks** Speakers: Dr Mary Tanay, UKONS President & Dr Jo Bird, UKONS President Elect			

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ABSTRACT POSTER PRESENTATIONS

DAY 1: Friday 13th November

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10:45–11:15

Chaired by Dr Jo Bird

Physiological and Quality-of-Life Trajectories During Autologous Transplantation: Findings from the MY-TRAC Study
Tommy Brown

Cancer diagnosed during pregnancy: women's experiences from diagnosis to survivorship
Jo Armes

The 3 McGrath Model of Care for All Cancers in Australia- Implementation Considerations
Kerry Patford

Breakout session: Selected poster presentations

14:15–15:30

CLINICAL PRACTICE

Chaired by Ruth Hammond & Hilary Baker

Cancer Genetic Information and Attitude of Adolescents Towards Genetic Testing in Selected Secondary Schools in Nigeria
Iyanuoluwa Oreofe Oj

Overcoming the Postcode and Language Lottery: A National Multi-Stakeholder Analysis of Systemic and Cultural Barriers and Solutions for Clinical Trial Access
Melanie Tolson

Let's talk about Falls in Older Adults with Cancer
Anne Barrell

Breakout session: Selected poster presentations

14:15–15:30

AUDIT & INNOVATION

Chaired by Debbie Franchini & Exzlle Ceballos

'In-the-moment support': Understanding the needs of the wider workforce supporting people living with cancer
Claire Taylor

Breakout session: Selected poster presentations

14:15–15:30

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Chaired by Charlotte Bloodworth & Lara Roskelly

Understanding current knowledge, confidence, and training needs related to assessing skin issues (including rashes) in patients with diverse skin tones among SACT nurses
Joyce Mwirigi & Emma Paul

Training and Support Needs of Blood Cancer Clinical Nurse Specialists: Evidence-Informed Recommendations for Workforce Development
Dr Julie Armoogum

Making a Difference- Educational Animation - Cancer and Domestic Abuse Project
Ruth Hendy

Breakout session: Selected poster presentations

14:15–15:30

LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

Chaired by Vicki Havercroft-Dixon & Nicola Jones

Supporting Clinicians After Clinical Patient Safety Incidents: A Systems-Based Approach to Learning, Accountability and Wellbeing
Samantha Preston, Claire Murphy & Paul Gilbert

Using Digital Risk Stratification to Improve Equitable Access to Cancer Pathways
Hannah Little

Burnout, Workplace Factors, and Workforce Impact among Chemotherapy Nurses at a UK Hospital Trust
Hannah Singh

Establishing a Regional Cancer of Unknown Primary (CUP) Service in Northern Ireland: Development, Implementation and Early Outcomes
Elaine Parsons

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ABSTRACT POSTER PRESENTATIONS

DAY 2: Saturday 14th November

Best abstracts Part II: chosen for plenary

09:40–10:00

Chair: Dr Jeff Hanna

Leading with Confidence: Improving Leadership Capability and Psychological Safety in an Oncology Inpatient Service
Munashe Nyika

An Inclusive and Innovative Co-Design Approach for Developing Infrastructures for Decision-Making and Consent for Radiotherapy for Gynaecological Cancer
Laura Wareing

A Review of the de-escalation of cardiac surveillance post completion of Adjuvant Anti-Her 2 treatments for breast cancer – A nurse led initiative
Clare Kennedy

Breakout sessions

11:15–12:15

SURGERY

Chaired by Dr Linda Sherwood & Chenika Goldson

Improving Recovery Through Innovation: A Nurse-Led Enhanced Recovery Pathway for Penile Cancer Surgery
Helena O'Callaghan

Nothing About Us Without Us: How Lived Experience Transformed Preparation for Prostate Surgery
Chloe Beard, & Selina Ford

Breakout sessions

13:15–14:15

EDUCATION, TRAINING & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Chaired by Hilary Baker & Anna McNally

An evaluation of learning. What impact does Post Graduate (PG) study have on upskilling the oncology workforce, distributing learning and job satisfaction?
Kathryn Birch

Developing the Next Generation of Cancer Educators
Kay Bell

What is the emotional impact on healthcare professionals when giving cancer diagnoses in emergency settings?
Karen Wingfield

Breakout sessions

11:15–12:15

DIGITAL HEALTH AND AI

Chaired by Dr Jeff Hanna & Constance Rowell

Keeping It Personal: Consultation Preferences in a Modern HPB Oncology Service
Sarah Stevenson

Breakout sessions

11:15–12:15

SACT

Chaired by Rachel Bryce & Ruth Hammond

Implementation of a Nurse-Led Ambulatory Pathway for Safe Delivery of Bispecific Antibody Therapy in Multiple Myeloma
Nicola Betty

Factors associated with the development of immune checkpoint inhibitor-induced myocarditis in adults receiving immune checkpoint inhibitors: a systematic review and narrative synthesis
Dawood Fahad

Breakout sessions

13:15–14:15

SUPPORTIVE CARE

Chaired by Professor Karen Campbell & Emma Chalmers

An Innovative and Collaborative Approach to Supporting People with Advanced Cancer in Community Settings
Barry Quinn

Multi-level factors influencing communication in India when an adult has incurable cancer: A systematic review
Sharyu Mhamane

Chemotherapy-Related Cognitive Impairment as a Multidimensional Survivorship Issue: A Systematic Review of Randomised Controlled Trials
Nkechinyere Ukaegbu

Exploring patient experience of accessing support for cancer related pain: A qualitative study
Martin Galligan

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