

Scientific Program – Hematology-Oncology Track | April 26, 2025 (Saturday)

07:30-08:00 Registration

08:00-08:05 Welcome & Introduction - Master of Ceremony

SESSION 1 | HEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY

Chair: Dr. Ruchira Misra, Dr. Mohammed Ramzan

08:05-08:30 Management of Rare Malignancies in Childhood

Prof Dr. Anita Ramesh | India

08:30-08:55 Management of asparaginase toxicities

Dr. Scott Charles Howard | Spain

08:55-09:20 A Blueprint for Hope: Single gene testing to comprehensive genomic profiling for personalized Cancer Care

Prof. Faisal Masood Khan | Canada

09:20-09:30 Q & A | Panel Discussion

09:30-10:15 OFFICIAL INAUGURATION

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 2 | HEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY

chair: Dr. Ibrahim Al Ghaithi, Dr. Hiba AL Tarrah

10:30-10:55 Immunotherapy in Neuroblastoma: Current Status and Future Directions

Dr. Araz Marachelian | USA

10:55-11:20 Genetics and Childhood Cancer: Understanding Inherited Risk

Dr. Miriam Bornhorst | USA

11:20-11:45 Improving outcomes in Infant Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

Dr. Jack Bartram | UK

11:45-11:55 Q & A | Panel Discussion

11:55-12:25 Symposium 1: Success Stories in Children with Sickle Cell Disease: Lessons from New Innovations

Moderator: Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani | UAE
Dr. Yasser Ahmed Wali

12:25-12:55 Symposium 2: Advancements in Understanding & Managing Neurofibromatosis Type 1

Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani | UAE

12:55-13:25 Symposium 3: Navigating rare blood disorders in pediatrics

Dr. Mohammad Fahed Abdullah | UAE

13:25-14:15 Lunch Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 3 | PEDIATRIC ALL- MEET THE EXPERTS

14:15-14:20 Opening remarks:
Why it is important to optimize the treatment of ALL

Dr. Zainul Aabideen | UAE

Session 3.1 : Incorporation of Blinatumomab in 1 L Consolidation in current treatment protocols

Chair: Dr. Naser Al Zein | UAE

14:20-14:50 Current Paradigm in frontline Pediatric/AYA B Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

Dr. Sumit Gupta | Canada

Incorporating Blinatumomab in 1 L Consolidation into Pediatric ALL landscape

14:50-15:30 Panel & Case discussion
Incorporation of Blin in 1 L Consolidation in Current Treatment Protocols in Gulf: Opportunities and Limitations

Panel Moderator:
Dr. Naser Al Zein | UAE

Case discussion1 - Dr. Naser Al Zein | UAE (10 min)

- How should we incorporate blinatumomab into treatment for standard risk, average vs. high-risk groups?
- Subgroup benefits and implications for stratification (What stratification criteria should guide the practice (e.g., cytogenetics, CNS involvement, MRD EOI)?)

Panel Experts:
Dr. David Teachy | USA
Dr. Mohammed Al Nuaimi | UAE
Prof. Mehran Karimi | UAE &
Dr. Rupert Handgretinger | UAE

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SESSION 3 | AMGEN – Meet the Experts Forum

Case Discussion 2 Dr. Mohammed Al Nuaimi | UAE (10 min)

- Could Blinatumomab enable de-escalation of chemotherapy for certain subgroups?
- Should Blinatumomab cycles replace certain chemotherapy blocks for selected patients?

Q & A all speakers

Dr. Sumit Gupta | Canada

Session 3.1 : Minimizing the treatment Related Barriers while managing ALL

Chair: Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani | UAE

15:30-15:45 How to Optimize Patient Management by Reducing Hospital, Reimbursement, and Treatment Utilization Barriers Throughout the Treatment Journey

Dr. Mohammad Fahed Abdullah | UAE

15:45-16:15 Panel & Case Discussion:
Case Discussion 4: Dr. Alyaa Al-Mughairy | Oman (10 Min)
Mitigating Long-Term Toxicities and Treatment-Related Complications

- What additional monitoring or interventions (e.g., prophylactic antibiotics, IVIG) are needed to mitigate infectious complications?
- How can we minimize neurotoxic effects in high-risk groups?

Panel Moderator:
Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani | UAE

Panel Experts:
Dr. David Teachy | USA,
Dr. Najam Awan | UAE,
Dr. Alyaa Al-Mughairy | Oman &
Dr. Mohammad Fahed Abdullah | UAE
Dr. Sumit Gupta | Canada

Optimizing Treatment Journey

- Key elements to optimize treatment administration, fulfillment, and adherence
- How to minimize utilization barriers of immunotherapy in hospital setting
- Optimizing MDT discussion (clinical pharmacist, nurse, and hematologist)

16:15-16:30 Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 4 | ORAL PRESENTATION 1

Chair: Dr. Hiba AL Tarrach, Dr. Arwa El Dhuwaib

16:30-16:40 Single Centre Experience of treating children with cancer in the UAE

Ms. Mehnaz Aabideen | UK

16:40-16:50 Role of Human granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (rHuG-CSF) in myelosuppressive therapy-induced febrile neutropenia in children with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia: Real world data from Central India.

Dr. Georgeena Elsa Jose | India

16:50-17:00 Prognostic factors and outcomes of Ewing Sarcoma in children, a retrospective analysis in Tawam tertiary hospital

Dr. Amenah Wael Al-Ani | UAE

17:00-17:10 Evaluation of the clinical outcomes among the pediatric low-risk acute myeloid leukemia patients who received four versus five cycles of chemotherapy-single-center study

Dr. Abeer Alamer | Saudi Arabia

17:10-17:20 Molecular profile of Pediatric Acute lymphoblastic leukemia: A retrospective study from Tertiary Care Centre of Kashmir

Dr. Faisal Rashid Guru | India

17:20-17:30 Outcome of Unrelated Umbilical Cord Blood Transplantation in India: A less explored horizon.

Dr. Debabrata Mohapatra | India

17:30 Closing & End of Day 1

Scientific Program – General Pediatrics Track | April 26, 2025 (Saturday)

07:30-08:00 Registration

08:00-08:05 Welcome & Introduction - Master of Ceremony

SESSION 1 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair: Dr. Mohammed Al Nuaimi, Dr. Kamran Mahmood

08:05-08:30 Paediatric Haematology: Quick Wins and When to Escalate Dr. Basheer Babu Tharayil | UAE

08:30-08:55 Unmet needs and burden of hemophilia: a snapshot on female patients Dr. Eman Taryam Alshamsi | UAE

08:55-09:20 Early diagnosis of the brain tumour in children Dr. Samina Afzal | UAE

09:20-09:30 Q & A | Panel Discussion

09:30-10:15 This is a common session. The program continues in Track A

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 2 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair : Dr. Sahla Kallada, Prof. Mehran Karimi

10:30-10:55 Update on Sickle Cell Management Prof. Mehran Karimi | UAE

10:55-11:20 Approach to a new leukemia patient Dr. Mohammed Al Nuaimi | UAE

11:20-11:45 Curing Every Child with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Dr. David T. Teachy | USA

11:45-11:55 Q & A | Panel Discussion

11:55-13:25 This is a common session. The program continues in Track A

13:25-14:15 Lunch Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 3 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair: Dr. Ahmed Abdelaal, Prof. Eslam Tawfik El-Baroudy

14:15-14:40 Small Patients, Big Hematocrits: An Approach to Pediatric Polycythemia Dr. Anjan Madasu | UAE

14:40-15:05 Early Diagnosis of Retinoblastoma Dr. Prashant Prabhakar | India

15:05-15:30 Non-Transfusion Dependent Thalassemia Dr. Hwazen Shash | Saudi Arabia

15:30-15:45 Q & A | Panel Discussion

15:45-16:00 Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 4 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair : Dr. Sally Alnaeem

16:00-16:25 Beyond the bleed : a journey to better life Dr. Hadeel Saleh Mohammad | Kuwait

16:25 -16:50 Approach to Abnormal Coagulation Profile Dr. Ali Mullah Ali | Kuwait

16:50-17:00 Q & A | Panel Discussion

17:00 Closing & End of Day 1

Scientific Program- Hematology-Oncology Track | April 27, 2025 (Sunday)

08:00-08:25 Registration

08:25-08:30 Welcome & Opening Remarks

SESSION 5 | HEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY

Chair: Dr. Nagwa Ahmed, Dr. Syed Nasir Abbas Bukhari

08:30-08:55 Paediatric Oncology in the era of personalized medicine: Opportunities and challenges

Prof. Dermot Murphy | UAE

08:55-09:20 Update on retinoblastoma 2025 & beyond

Prof. Jaume Català-Mora | Spain

09:20-09:45 Integration of molecular and histology for diagnosis of CNS tumors in children

Dr. Miriam Bornhorst | USA

09:45-10:10 Incidence and prognosis of malignancies in primary immunodeficiency children.

Dr. Fulvio Porta | Italy

10:10-10:20 Q & A | Panel Discussion

10:20-10:30 Coffee Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 6 | HEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY

Chair: Dr. Arvind Jain, Dr. Abdullah Abubaker Saeed Baathman

10:30-10:55 New Insights into the Biology and Treatment of T-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

Dr. David Teachy | USA

10:55-11:20 Optimizing GvHD Management

Dr. Hasan Hashem | Jordan

11:20-11:45 Role of Nuclear Medicine in Paediatric Neuroblastoma

Dr. Firuz Ibrahim | UAE

11:45-11:55 Q & A | Panel Discussion

11:55-12:25 Symposium 4: Move Towards Normalized Hemostasis

Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani | UAE
Chair: Dr. Mohammad Fahed Abdullah | UAE

12:25-12:55 Symposium 5: High-Risk Neuroblastoma and the Role of Immunotherapy

Prof. Holger Lode | Germany

12:55-13:25 Symposium 6: Latest in Hemophilia Care: Navigating Practical Considerations with Qfitlia

Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani | UAE

13:25-14:15 Lunch Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Viewing

SESSION 7 | HEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY

Chair: Dr. Tahani Elfadul, Dr. Anjan Madasu

14:15-14:40 The First Proton Beam Therapy in Africa and the Middle East: Patients' Priorities, Benefits, and Operational Sustainability.

Prof. Mohamed Saad Zaghloul | Egypt

14:40-15:05 Survivorship Specific to Pediatric Radiotherapy –Latest Updates and Evidence

Dr. Yousra Izzuddeen | UAE

15:05-15:30 Updates in the Surgical Management of Germ Cell Tumours

Dr. Abid Qazi | UAE

15:30-15:45 Q & A | Panel Discussion

15:45-16:00 Break

SESSION 8 | HEMATOLOGY-ONCOLOGY

Chair: Dr. Rajasekhar Cingapagu

16:00-16:25 Advanced Strategies in Surgical Planning for Complex Oncology Cases

Prof. Lucas Krauel-Giménez | Spain

16:25-16:50 Precision pediatric cancer surgery

Dr. Abdelhafeez Hassan Abdelhafeez | USA

16:50-17:15 Advance Pediatric Radiology-focusing on how radiology is used to confirm cancer in children without pathology

Dr. Aashim Bhatia | USA

17:15-17:30 Q & A | Panel Discussion

17:30 Awards & Closing Remarks / End of Conference

Scientific Program – General Pediatrics Track | April 27, 2025 (Sunday)

08:00-08:25 Registration

08:25-08:30 Welcome & Opening Remarks

SESSION 5 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair : Dr. Mohamed Ashraf, Dr. Ghulam Mujtaba

08:30-08:55 Blood Transfusion: An Overview of Components, Indications, Risk Factors, and Associated Complications

Dr. Nancy Nabil Israel | UAE

08:55-09:20 When to suspect cancer in children- Early clinical and diagnostic clues

Dr. Faisal Rashid Guru | India

09:20-09:45 Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura: Incorporating newer drugs into practice

Dr. Santanu Sen | India

09:45-10:10 Approach to Pancytopenia in children

Prof. Fouzia Nambiatheyil Aboobacker | UAE

10:10-10:20 Q & A | Panel Discussion

10:20-10:30 Coffee Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Presentation & Viewing

SESSION 6 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair: Dr. Mahmoud Alhussain, Dr. Abdul Shameel Mattara

10:30-10:55 Hyperferritinemia – Clinical Implications

Dr. Leni Grace Mathew | India

10:55-11:20 HLH in pediatrics

Dr. Nada Magzoub Rahma Elsheikh | KSA

11:20-11:45 Thrombocytosis in Paediatric age groups

Dr. Mousa Qatawneh | UAE

11:45-11:55 Q & A | Panel Discussion

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13:25-14:15 Lunch Break | Exhibition Visit & Networking | Poster Viewing

SESSION 7 | ORAL PRESENTATION 2

Dr. Sudheer Madathiparambil Sadanandan, Dr. Sagar Mohan Nivargi

14:15-14:25 Osteomyelitis in Children with Sickle Cell Disease: Is MRI pathognomonic?

Dr. Murtadha Mohammed Shihab Al Lawati | Oman

14:25-14:35 Clinical Profile and outcome of Pediatric acute promyelocytic leukemia (APL) treated with chemotherapy Free Regimen: Long term follow up

Prof. Dr. Reashma Roshan | India

14:35-14:45 The utility of genetic sequencing in pediatric hemato-oncology - a retrospective study from a tertiary care unit

Dr. Ashwini A | India

14:45-14:55 A multicenter study on nursing interventions influencing the outcome of bacteremia and sepsis during neutropenia in patients undergoing hematopoietic stem cell transplantation

Ms. Haritha Sundaravelu | India

14:55-15:05 From Alarm to Action: PEWS as a Lifesaving Tool in Pediatric Oncology Critical Care

Ms. Viveka Veeramani | India

15:05-15:15 Pediatric Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis Clinical Profile And Outcomes At A Tertiary Center In Chennai, Tamilnadu: A 10 Year Experience

Dr. Madhulika Chittala | India

15:15-15:30 Break

SESSION 8 | GENERAL PEDIATRICS

Chair: Dr. Rola Ahmad AlZir

15:30-15:55 Bone Marrow Transplantation in Children: What General Paediatricians Needs to Know

Dr. Zainul Aabideen | UAE

15:55-16:20 Approach to Neonatal thrombocytopenia

Dr. Arpita Mahesh Gupta | India

16:20-16:45 Haemolytic Anemia

Dr. Deepthi Boddu | UAE

16:45-17:00 Q & A | Panel Discussion

17:00 Closing Remarks