

Scientific Program

September 25, 2026 - Friday

07:30-08:25	Registration		
08:25-08:30	Welcome and introduction		
TIME	Hematology-Oncology Session: 1 Chairs: Dr. Hassan Elsolh	General Pediatrics Session: 1 Chairs: Dr. Mohammed Ramzan, Dr. Arwa El Dhuwaib	Oral Presentations Session: 1 Chairs: Dr. Naser Alzein, Dr. Sally Al Naeem
08:30-08:55	Lymphomas and hidden immunological defects: an emerging problem <i>Dr. Fulvio Porta, Italy</i> 	Early Warning Signs of Childhood Cancer: What Every Pediatrician Must Not Miss <i>Dr. Faisal Rashid Guru India</i> 	Paediatric oncology in Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre (KCMC) Tanzania; Patient Characteristics and Early Treatment Outcomes from 2021-2022 <i>Dr. Lossim Godwin Kambainei Tanzania</i> 
08:55-09:20	Immunotherapy in High-Risk Neuroblastoma <i>Prof. Dermot Murphy UAE</i> 	Hematopoietic stem cell transplant in children an over view <i>Dr. Kesavan M. R. India</i> 	The outcome of Osteomyelitis in Sickle Cell Disease Pediatric Patients - Qatif Health Network Experience. <i>Dr. Hana Hassan Ali Aljulaih Saudi Arabia</i> 
09:20-09:45	Genetic risk in pediatric oncology <i>Dr. John Cunningham University of Chicago Medicine, USA</i> 	Oncologic manifestations of Neurofibromatosis <i>Dr. Ross Mangum Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 	Prevalence of Iron Depletion, Deficiency and Associated Factors Among Children with Sickle Cell Disease in Zanzibar <i>Ms. Nuru Awadh Hassan Tanzania</i>  Asparaginase Induced Severe Hypertriglyceridemia in Children with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia, King Hussein Cancer Center Series <i>Dr. Dana Saeed Kanaan Jordan</i>  When Experience Meets Artificial Intelligence: Does AI Augment or Undermine Clinical Judgment? <i>Dr. Mahek Fathima India</i> 
09:45-10:00	Q & A Panel Discussion		
10:00-10:30	Official Inauguration		
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break		
10:45-11:15	Amgen Symposium - Advancing Frontline B-ALL Management in Paediatric Patients Dr Mohammed Al Nuaimi		
11:15-11:45	Recordati Symposium - Relapsed/Refractory High-Risk Neuroblastoma in 2026: Evolving Standards and the Role of Anti-GD2 Immunotherapy Prof. Holger Lode		

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11:45-12:10	Clinical applications of liquid biopsy for pediatric central nervous system tumors <i>Dr. Ross Mangum Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 	Approach to a Child with an Abdominal Mass <i>Dr. Leni Grace Mathew India</i> 	Venetoclax-Azacitidine as a Bridge to Transplant in Pediatric Relapsed/Refractory Acute Myeloid Leukemia: A Real-World Experience <i>Dr. Sunisha Arora India</i> 
12:10-12:35	Combinational Immunotherapy for DIPG <i>Dr. Marina Caballero SJD Barcelona Hospital, Spain</i> 	Early Diagnosis and Red Flags of Pediatric Brain Tumors <i>Dr. Amal Bin Hassan Saudi Arabia</i> 	A case Report - Tuberculosis and Immunodeficiency go hand in hand <i>Dr. Shraddha Vishal Chandak India</i> 
12:35-13:00	Oncology Genes in the ACMG Secondary Findings List: Clinical Implications in Exome and Genome Testing <i>Dr. Bilal Azab Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 	Thalassemia trait versus iron deficiency, real life case scenarios in every day pediatric practice <i>Dr. Maya Prabhakaran UAE</i> 	Pediatric Acute Leukemia in the UAE: Establishing a Quality Indicators Framework for Treatment Safety and Efficacy <i>Mr. Muhammad Farhan UAE</i>  COVID-19-associated severe aplastic anaemia in an 18-month-old child: a case report. <i>Dr. Roaa Nedal Ahmed Abu Tawileh UAE</i>  Iron Deficiency and Immunity: A Systematic Review of Its Impact on Vaccine Efficacy <i>Dr. Jumanah Mohammed UAE</i>  Traumatic Hyphema in a Child with Von Willebrand Disease type 3: A Challenging Case Report <i>Dr. Hoor Hamidoglu UAE</i> 
13:00-13:15	Q & A Panel Discussion		
13:15-14:15	Lunch Break Poster Presentation & Viewing		
TIME	Hematology-Oncology Session: 3 Chairs: Dr. Ibrahim Al Ghaithi, Dr. Haydar Jawad Abboud Al Rufaye	General Pediatrics Session: 3 Chairs: Prof. Eslam Tawfik El-Baroudy, Dr. Sally Al Naeem	Oral Presentations Session: 3 Chairs: Dr. Fulvio Porta, Dr. Leni Grace Mathew
14:15-14:40	Innovative non chemotherapeutic treatments of retinoblastoma <i>Dr. Guillermo Chantada SJD Barcelona Hospital, Spain</i> 	Acute Leukemia: Initial Diagnosis - Dos and Don'ts <i>Dr. Ruchira Misra India</i> 	Subcutaneous Panniculitis-Like T-Cell Lymphoma Masquerading as Recurrent Cellulitis in a 6-Year-Old Female: A Case Report <i>Ms. Minat Allah Alhusami UAE</i> 
14:40-15:05	From Bench to Bedside: Immune-Based Strategies in Pediatric NHL <i>Dr. Monika M. Metzger Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 	Inborn Errors of Immunity: The Hidden Diagnosis Across a Lifetime <i>Dr. Holly K. Miller Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 	Presentations and outcomes of familial hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis in the pediatric intensive care units (PICUs) <i>Prof. Gamal Mohamed Hasan Ahmed UAE</i> 

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			Extrarenal Rhabdoid Tumor of the Neck Masquerading as Sialoblastoma: A Diagnostic Challenge in an Aggressive Pediatric Malignancy <i>Dr. Mohamad Monif Assker UAE</i>  Nephroblastoma Presenting as Suspected Pyelonephritis in a Child Attending Paediatric Emergency: A Case Highlighting Diagnostic Challenge and the Importance of Re-evaluation <i>Dr. Diksha Amarnani United Kingdom</i>  A Rare Local Presentation of Malignant Rhabdoid tumour of kidney <i>Dr. Rashmi Atmaram Patil India</i>  Amal: An AI-Assisted Unified Platform for Emotional Support, Symptom Monitoring, and Clinical Decision Support in Pediatric Oncology <i>Mr. Fares Zaki Hassan, Mr. Abdulwahed Zreik UAE</i> 
15:05-15:20	Q & A Panel Discussion		
15:20-15:50	AstraZeneca Sympoisum - Impact of Selumitinib in NF-1 PN clinical practice Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani		
15:50-16:00	Break		
TIME	Hematology-Oncology Session: 4 Dr. Layla Ali Eisa Mohamed Alreyami	General Pediatrics Session: 4 Chairs: Dr. Mohammad Alshahrani, Dr. Lama Lubbadeh	
16:00-16:25	The advantages of haploidentical stem cell transplantation <i>Prof. Rupert Handgretinger UAE</i> 	Microcytic Hypochromic Anemia – Diagnostic Approach <i>Dr. Shraddha Vishal Chandak India</i> 	
16:25-16:50	Tracing Hemoglobin Variants: A Case-Based Diagnostic Journey <i>Dr. Arvind Jain UAE</i> 	Tumor Markers in Pediatric Oncology: When, Why, and How to Use Them <i>Dr. Hemant Menghani India</i> 	
16:50-17:00	Q & A Panel Discussion		
17:00	End of Day 1		

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08:00-08:55	Registration		
08:55-09:00	Welcome & Introduction		
TIME	Hematology-Oncology Session: 5 Dr. Naser Alzein, Dr. Sakher Obeidat	General Pediatrics Session: 5 Chairs: Dr. Rola Ahmad AlZir, Dr. Ghulam Mujtaba	Oral Presentations Session: 4 Chairs: Dr. Sleiman Jean Gebran, Dr. Deepthi Boddu
09:00-09:25	Advances in Medical Management of Rhabdomyosarcoma: Historical Milestones and Future Horizon <i>Dr. Hadeel Halalsheh Jordan</i> 🇯🇴	Initial Management of Acute Immune Thrombocytopenia (ITP) <i>Dr. Sunisha Arora India</i> 🇮🇳	Clinical outcome of 115 patients with synchronous bilateral Wilms' tumor: largest cohort of single-center experience <i>Dr. Hosam Y. Asfour Egypt</i> 🇪🇬
09:25-09:50	"Targeting ALK in infant- Type Hemispheric Glioma: Clinical and Molecular Evolution <i>Dr. Cinzia Lavarino SJD Barcelona Hospital, Spain</i> 🇪🇸	Management of Severe Anemia in Emergency Settings <i>Dr. Mohamed Elsayed Abdelhadi Elkafafi UAE</i> 🇦🇪	Time Is Spine: Diagnostic Pathways, Delays, and Neurological Irreversibility in Paediatric Malignant Spinal Cord Compression - A Retrospective Analysis from South India - <i>Dr. Megadeepan Senthilkumar India</i> 🇮🇳
09:50-10:15	Updates on immunotherapy use in pediatric AALL <i>Dr. Mohammed Al Nuaimi UAE</i> 🇦🇪	Comprehensive Care of Children with Sickle Cell Disease: From Newborn Screening to Curative Therapy <i>Dr. Murtada Alsultan KSA</i> 🇸🇦	Venous Thromboembolism in Pediatric Patients: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis with Focus on Sickle Cell Disease and Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia - <i>Ms. Afra Wasama Islam UAE</i> 🇦🇪 CPS: Driving the Course and Outcomes in Paediatric Oncology - <i>Dr. Samreen Haroon India</i> 🇮🇳 Decoding the Clinical and Genomic Landscape of Pediatric and Adolescent Acute Myeloid Leukemia: An Eight-Year Experience from King Hussein Cancer Center- <i>Dr. Rawad Rihani Jordan</i> 🇯🇴 Features, characteristics, outcomes and treatment complications for pediatrics and young adults with chronic myeloid leukemia (CML) treated at King Hussein cancer center (KHCC) - <i>Dr. Rawad Rihani Jordan</i> 🇯🇴
10:15-10:30	Q & A Panel Discussion		
10:30-11:00	IPSEN Symposium - Changing the path of PLGG - Advancing Care Beyond Relapse Prof. Dermot Murphy		
11:00-11:30	Merck symposium - ReNue: The NF1-PN Management Paradigm Chairman: Dr Faisal Khanani - Speaker: Dr. Dermot Murphy - Panel discussion: Dr Anjan Madasu & Dr. Shanawaz Hussain		
11:30-11:45	Coffee Break		

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11:45-12:15 Inflammation in Sickle Cell Disease: From Oxidative Stress to Therapeutic Intervention
Speakers: Dr. Mohamed Fahad Abdullah, Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani

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12:15-12:40	From Risk to Rescue: A Middle East Roadmap for Safer HDMTX Toxicity and DME management Dr. Muhammad Faisal Khanani UAE 	Panel Discussion Mediastinal Mass: Recognition and Stabilization Panel Lead: Dr. Ruchira Misra Panelists: Dr. Ghulam Mujtaba, Dr. Mohammed Ramzan UAE 	Psychosocial Distress in Parents of Newly Diagnosed Pediatric Oncology Patient at BAUH Dr. Manal Mahmoud Mohamed Elewah Egypt 
12:40-13:05	The Feasibility of Minimal invasive Surgery in Pediatric Solid Tumor Dr. Adel Aljneibi UAE 		Brucellosis-associated Haemophagocytic Lymphohistiocytosis Triggered by Infection: A Case Report Dr. Raya Khalaf Hamdan Al Busaidi Oman 
13:05-13:30	Beyond Intensification: Reimagining the Cure of AML Dr. John Perentesis USA 	Sepsis in the Immunocompromised Child Dr. Vasudha N Rao India 	Optimizing Pediatric Oncology Care: Developing Cost-Effective Care Guidelines in Resource-Limited Settings Dr. Hadeel Halalsheh Jordan  Outcomes of Non-Neutropenic Fever in Pediatric Hematological Malignancies: A Single-Center Experience at Sultan Qaboos University Hospital Dr. Khadija Abdullah Mohammed Al Ghaithi Oman 
13:30-13:45	Q & A Panel Discussion		
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14:45-15:10	What does the future hold? Fertility Preservation and Long Term-Outcomes in Pediatric Cancer Survivors <i>Dr. Alexandra M. Walsh Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 	Living Medicines: How Cellular and Gene Therapies Are Transforming Pediatric Care <i>Prof. Mario Otto Phoenix Children's Hospital, USA</i> 
15:10-15:35	From Fragmentation to High-Performance Care: A Post-PrOFiLE Multidimensional Quality Improvement Model Transforming Pediatric Oncology Systems in LMICs <i>Dr. Rawad Rihani Jordan</i> 	Long-Term Complications in Children with Thalassemia Major <i>Dr. Shruti Kakkar India</i> 
15:35-16:00	LCH in children - varied presentations <i>Dr. Anjan Madasu UAE</i> 	Transient abnormal myelopoiesis - Approach <i>Dr. Deepthi Boddu UAE</i> 
16:00-16:15	Q & A Panel Discussion	
16:15-16:25	Break	

TIME	Hematology-Oncology Session: 8 Chairs: Dr. Nancy Nabil	General Pediatrics Session: 8 Chairs: Dr. Fatma Mohamed Mahmoud Ibrahim
16:25-16:50	Beyond Cure: Integrating Pediatric Palliative Care Across the Childhood Cancer Journey. <i>Dr. Neda Ashayeri UAE</i> 	Evolving Morbidity Patterns in Transfusion-Dependent Thalassemia: A Retrospective Secondary-Care Analysis from the Northern Emirates <i>Dr. Shria Sadhu UAE</i> 
16:50-17:15	Pediatric Palliative Care in Hematology & Oncology: Enhancing Quality of Life Along the Disease Trajectory <i>Dr. Qutaiba Alotaibi UAE</i> 	HLH- from clinical suspicion to diagnosis and treatment <i>Dr. Darshan Kataria India</i> 
17:15-17:25	Q & A Panel Discussion	
17:25	Closing Remarks End of Conference	