

44th Congress of the International Society of Paediatric Oncology

Barbican Centre, London, United Kingdom
5-8 October 2012



CONGRESS HIGHLIGHTS

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Welcome to SIOp 2012

On behalf of the Local Organising Committee, it is with great pleasure that we announce the 44th Congress of the International Society of Paediatric Oncology, which will take place in London, 5-8 October 2012.

After the excitement of the Olympic and Paralympic Games and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations, London will once again be the focus of the world's attention. Two thousand children's cancer specialists, representing every continent, will be converging on the Barbican Centre in the heart of the City of London to network and share knowledge on the research and treatment of all cancer types, including leukaemia and brain tumours, in children and young people.

As the largest annual paediatric cancer meeting in the world, SIOp Congresses are designed to provide a highly interactive platform. In so doing, they attract a multi-stakeholder attendance connecting parents, survivors, clinicians, healthcare professionals, scientists and industry.

Paediatric oncologists are early adopters of new technology and keenly interested in advances in this key aspect of their professional work. Symposia focused on technologies which hold the promise for more effective work practices and better patient outcomes are an attractive part of the Congress.

In addition to plenary sessions, which are open to all delegates, there will be associated meetings for paediatric surgeons, radiation specialists, haematologists and specialist nurses involved in both hospital and community based stages of the cancer pathway.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you to London and to marking the next SIOp milestone towards ultimately combating cancer in children.

Kathy Pritchard-Jones (UK)
Chair, Local Organising Committee

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Programme Highlights

Some of the many highlights include:

Meet the Expert Sessions

- Idiots Guide to Bio Informatics as Applied to Childhood Cancer
- Multidisciplinary Team Meeting on Paediatric Low Grade Glioma
- Multidisciplinary Team Meeting - Bone Sarcomas
- Fatigue
- Reduced Intensity Conditioning for Childhood Leukaemia
- Role of Immunotherapy in Neuroblastoma

Keynote Lectures

- Comparative Cancer Registry Research to Improve Outcomes
[Eva Stelarova-Foucher \(France\)](#)
- Molecular Pathology for Prediction of Response to Targeted Therapies
- Health Communication and Survivorship (**Nursing KL**)
[Kathleen Ruccione \(USA\)](#)
- Delivering Improvements in Cancer Services
[Mike Richards \(UK\)](#)
- Organ Preserving Surgery and Multimodality Treatment in Pelvic Tumours (**IPSO KL**)
[Joerg Fuchs \(Germany\)](#)
- Implementing Clinical Trials in Low Income Countries
[Mohamed Harif \(Morocco\)](#)
- Non-coding RNAs in Childhood Cancer
- Optimising Radiotherapy in Medulloblastoma (**PROS KL**)
[Frank Saran \(UK\)](#)

Symposia

- Personalised Medicine – Perspectives from Parents, Biology and Statistics
- Progress in Understanding Genetic Susceptibility
- Communication and Decision Making in Children and Families for End of Life Care
- Germ Cell Tumours
- Cancer Stem Cells

Please note that the programme is subject to change.



Congress Venue

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