



British Breast Group Meeting



**Hyatt Regency Hotel
Manchester
June 19th & 20th 2025**



Thursday 19th June

PLENARY SESSION 1: Chairs: Professor Stuart McIntosh & Professor Shelley Potter	
18.00	<i>Modern Breast Oncology – is the future in Complex biomarkers?</i> Professor Manuel Salto-Tellez, Queen's University Belfast
18.30	<i>Promoting Equity in the Breast Cancer Workforce: An evidence-based approach</i> Professor Reshma Jagsi Emory University School of Medicine, USA
19.00	Drinks reception
19.45	BBG Annual Dinner

Friday 28th June

BRITISH BREAST GROUP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	
09.00	Members only

09.30	Arrival, registration and coffee
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10.00	WELCOME Professor Stuart McIntosh
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PLENARY SESSION 2: Breast cancer immunology Chair: Professor Kienan Savage & Miss Kit Fairhurst	
10.10	<i>Dr Sheeba Irshad, King's College London</i> Immune escape in breast cancer
10.25	<i>Dr Stephen-John Sammut, Institute of Cancer Research</i> Reimagining Breast Cancer Immunotherapy: The Emerging Role of B Cells

SUBMITTED PAPERS <i>8 mins + 2 mins for questions</i> Chair: Professor Shelley Potter & Professor Sacha Howell	
10.40	<i>SPAG5 as a companion prognostic and predictive test for management of early stage HER2 positive breast cancer (BCs)</i> Tarek Abdel-Fatah, Graham R. Ball, Karen Desouza, Xin Chen, Dan Yeo, Graham Hickman, Jayakumar Vadakekolathu, Amy E. McCart-Reed Peter T Simpson, Sunil R Lakhani, Ian O. Ellis, Arlene Chan, Stephen Y.T. Chan
10.50	<i>The Role of TG2 in Breast Cancer Brain Metastasis</i> Shubhankar Sinha, Stephanie Munroe, Michael Koenig, Nicolas A. Stewart, Melanie S. Flint
11.00	<i>Anti-progestin therapy targets hallmarks of breast cancer risk</i> Bruno M Simoes, Robert Pedley, Curtis W McCloskey, Matt Roberts, Alecia-Jane Twigger, Pirashaanthu Tharmapalan, Amanda Caruso, Alice Greenhalgh, Suad Alghamdi, Martina Forestiero, Jesica Lopez, Jasmin Roche, Ren Jie Tuieng, Muhammad A. Khan, Steven Squires, Susan M. Astley, Elaine F Harkness, Angelica Santiago-Gomez, Katherine Spence, Jessica Longland, Susan Pritchard, Yit Lim, Michael J. Sherratt, Sebastiano And, Anthony Howell, D. Gareth Evans, Andrew P. Gilmore, Walid Khaled, Rama Khokha, Robert B Clarke, Sacha J Howell

11.10	<i>Survival Outcomes With or Without Risk Reducing Mastectomy in BRCA1 & BRCA2 Pathogenic Variant Carriers</i> Ashu Gandhi, Sacha Howell, Elaine Harkness, Emma Woodward, Fiona Lalloo, Claire Forde, James Harvey, Lyndsey Highton, Nicola Flaum, D Gareth Evans
11.20	Tea & coffee
11.40	<i>Clinical outcomes in the OPTIMA prelim (Optimal Personalised Treatment of early breast cancer using Multi-Parameter Analysis) feasibility study</i> Robert C. Stein, Andrea Marshall, Andreas Makris, Luke Hughes-Davies, Iain R. MacPherson, Amy Hopkins, Georgina Dotchin, David A. Cameron, Peter Canney, Christopher Poole, Helena M. Earl, Daniel W. Rea, Jane Bayani, Peter S Hall, Christopher McCabe, Jenny Donovan, Victoria Harmer, Sarah E. Pinder, Mary Falzon, Leila Rooshenas, Adrienne Morgan, John M.S. Bartlett, Janet A. Dunn on behalf of the OPTIMA Trial Management Group
11.50	<i>ROSCO: Response to Optimal Selection of neoadjuvant Chemotherapy in Operable breast cancer: A randomised phase III, stratified biomarker trial of neoadjuvant 5-Fluorouracil, Epirubicin and Cyclophosphamide vs Docetaxel and Cyclophosphamide chemotherapy</i> D. Rea, S. Pirrie, L. Haywood, S. Chan, M. Varughese, S. Spensley, U. Barthakur, M. MacKenzie, S. J. Bowden, C. Gaunt, E. Southgate, N. Nicholson, P. Wetherell, M. Soden, L. Billingham, C. Brookes, D. Cameron, J. Starczynski, J. Dowds. H. Earl, R. Stein, A. Graham, A. Shaaban, S. McIntosh, F. Raja, J. Abraham, K. Taylor, T. Piper, Z. Billyeald, D. Wheatley, J. Bartlett
12.00	<i>iBRA-PREDICT: study proposal</i> Tim Rattay

12.15	Lunch
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DEBATE: THIS HOUSE BELIEVES THAT NOT ALL PATIENTS WITH ER+ DISEASE REQUIRE ENDOCRINE THERAPY?

Chair: Professor Shelley Potter

13.15	In favour: Dr David Dodwell, University of Oxford Against: Mr Henry Cain, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle
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EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER PRIZE SESSION

8mins + 4 mins for questions

Chair: Professor Stuart McIntosh & Professor Shelley Potter

13:45	Targeting ERK5 as a novel approach to ameliorate breast cancer metastasis to the bone. Katy Pinnell, Katie Finegan, Kaye Williams, Sarah Cartmell
13.57	Prediction Models of Adverse Outcomes following Surgery and Radiotherapy for Breast Cancer: A Systematic Review Hasan Asfour, Bo Wang, Huiyu Zhou, Nakul G Patel, R Paul Symonds, Christopher J Talbot, Tim Rattay
14.09	Who's Doing What?: Multidisciplinary team perspectives on delivering Self-Directed Aftercare following breast cancer Anna Isaac, Olinda Santin, Gareth Irwin, Stuart McIntosh
14.21	Personalised care: Identifying the needs of people with triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC) Hira Yousuf, S. Cruickshank, S. Adomah, E. Williams, R. Woolcock, C. J. Twelves

14.33	Analysis of Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy for Breast Cancer Patients and comprehensive Study of associated Clinicopathological variables: A Single-Centre Retrospective Study Across a 5-Year Period Sadaf Zehra, Altaf Haji, Samreen Khushbakht, Sarah Khan, Suzan Zeineldeen, Yogesh Jain
14.45	Pre-operative axillary staging in breast cancer; implications & outcome Huma Irshad, Fiona Mavor, Shabana Avesi, Rebecca Bourdon Pierre, Myat Winn, Ztinahhayu Mohd-Isa
15.00	Tea & Coffee
CLOSE OF MEETING AND AWARD OF PRIZES	

Venue:

Hyatt Regency Manchester
55 Booth Street, Manchester, M15 6PQ

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