

THE EARLY DETECTION OF CANCER CONFERENCE 2021

6–8
October,
Virtual Event

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OHSU Knight Cancer Institute



Andrew Flewitt
University of Cambridge



Join us from 6 – 8 October for our sixth annual conference

Our Scientific Committee members have played a key role in shaping the conference programme, reviewing abstracts and making this virtual conference set for success.

Early detection is one of the most powerful ways in which we can improve cancer survival, and the goal of this unique trans-Atlantic partnership is to enable research to find lethal cancers as they are forming so they can be treated more effectively.

During this year's virtual conference, we will build on the previous meetings to explore the current state of the early detection field and help define key challenges through broad-range presentations and discussions.

Our meeting is designed to stimulate creative thinking, build relationships across the globe, and assess the state of the art in the early detection field.

We look forward to a lively and thought-provoking conference and hope you will actively contribute to the discussions to shape the way we eventually solve this important problem.



"Great discussions. Loved the debates. Engaging, informative, and lively. Topics selected were also of great value."

Conference programme

6 October 2021

Be part of the networking activity on the first day and hear from this year's Keynote Speaker, Henry Scowcroft. He has worked as a science communicator and writer at Cancer Research UK for over 17 years, and whose personal experience as a carer for someone with advanced cancer brought him close to concepts like minimal residual disease, tumour evolution, scan anxiety, and the transformative potential of liquid biopsies for cancer detection.



PDT	BST	Session title
08:00	16:00	Welcome from our Scientific Committee Andrew Flewitt, University of Cambridge
08:10	16:10	Keynote Speaker: In conversation with Henry Scowcroft, Cancer Research UK
08:55	16:55	Break
09:00	17:00	Session 1: When and Where Detection Matters: 'The Tipping Point' Chair: Christina Curtis, Stanford University Speakers: Irene Ghobrial, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute Phil Jones, Wellcome Sanger Institute
10:17	18:17	Break
10:27	18:27	Great Debate: Blood is the only detection medium that matters Speakers: Debating for: Minetta Liu, Mayo Clinic Debating against: Mark Emberton, University College London
11:00	19:00	Networking session
11:45	19:45	Closing from our Scientific Committee Andrew Flewitt, University of Cambridge
11:48	19:48	Interactive poster and networking session

Conference programme

7 October 2021

Don't miss the series of Great Debates where experts will go head-to-head taking for and against positions on provocative early detection challenges.



Stacey Fedewa, American Cancer Society

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08:00	16:00	Welcome from our Scientific Committee Beverly Emerson, OHSU Knight Cancer Institute
08:05	16:05	The Don Listwin Award for Outstanding Contribution to Cancer Early Detection
08:20	16:20	Session 2: How to detect: emerging technologies for understanding signals over time Chair: Billy Boyle, Owlstone Medical Speakers: Daniel A. Heller, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Stephen Friend, Oxford University and Sage Bionetworks
09:37	17:37	Break
09:47	17:47	Great Debate: Emergent properties of the ecosystem are how we'll understand cancer; a focus on a single cancer cell's biology is misguided Debating for: Aaron Grossberg, OHSU Knight Cancer Institute Debating against: Peter Kuhn, University of Southern California
10:20	18:20	Break
10:30	18:30	Session 3: Early detection in the real world Chair: Bob Smith, American Cancer Society Speakers: Livia Giordano, Centro di Riferimento per l'Epidemiologia e la Prevenzione Oncologica in Piemonte/CPO Stacey Fedewa, American Cancer Society Robert Winn, VCU Massey Cancer Center
11:47	19:47	Closing from our Scientific Committee Beverly Emerson, OHSU Knight Cancer Institute
11:50	19:50	Interactive poster and networking session

Conference programme

8 October 2021

See, listen and contribute to our 'Fireside chat' panel discussion with 5 vital experts.

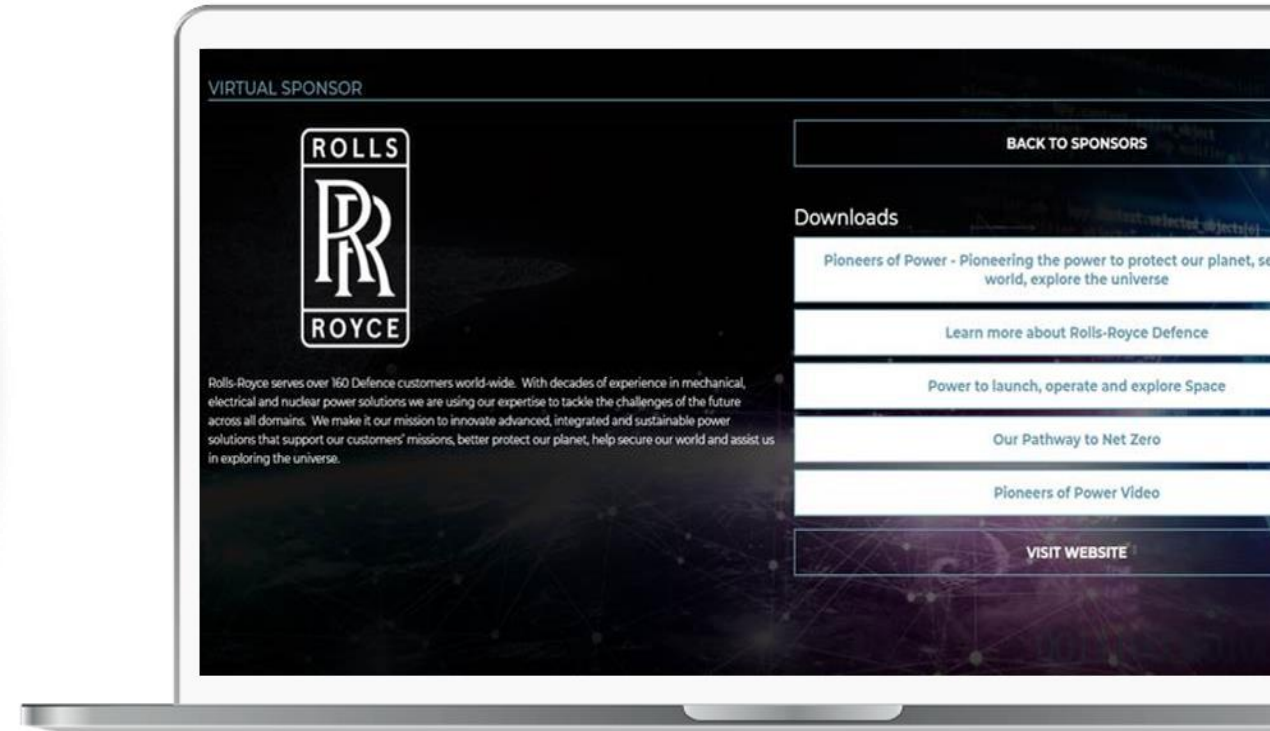
“What do we do once we detect early?”

- Is that going to be enough to improve survival using current therapeutic paradigms?
- Will we only be able to find these detectable early tumours (via ctDNA for example) because they are the most aggressive ones, which may therefore have already seeded micromets around the body (and as such would not be cured by surgical excision of the primary lesion)?
- What more can we do as a community to ensure that early detection is the solution that we all hope it will be?

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08:00	16:00	Welcome from our Scientific Committee Alice Fan, Canary Center at Stanford
08:05	16:05	Session 4: Models and Systems to Inform Detection Chair: Joan Brugge, Harvard Medical School Speakers: Hans Clevers, Hubrecht Institute Thea Tlsty, University of California Benjamin Ebert, Harvard University
09:22	17:22	Break
09:32	17:32	Panel discussion: What do we do once we detect early? Chair: Charlie Swanton, The Francis Crick Institute/UCL Speakers: Tom Beer, Oregon Health & Science University Susan Galbraith, AstraZeneca Usha Menon, University College London Avi Spira, Johnson & Johnson
10:17	18:17	Break
10:27	18:27	Great Debate: It's time to give up on human hypothesis-driven research; massive, multimodal data mined by AI is the only way we'll truly unravel the complexity of cancer early detection Debating for: Bissan Al-Lazikani, The Institute of Cancer Research/ MD Anderson Debating against: Xin Lu, Ludwig Cancer Research and Oxford Centre for Early Cancer Detection
11:00	19:00	Closing from our Scientific Committee Alice Fan, Canary Center at Stanford
11:05	19:05	Networking session

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A chance to meet the speakers and delegates

Networking

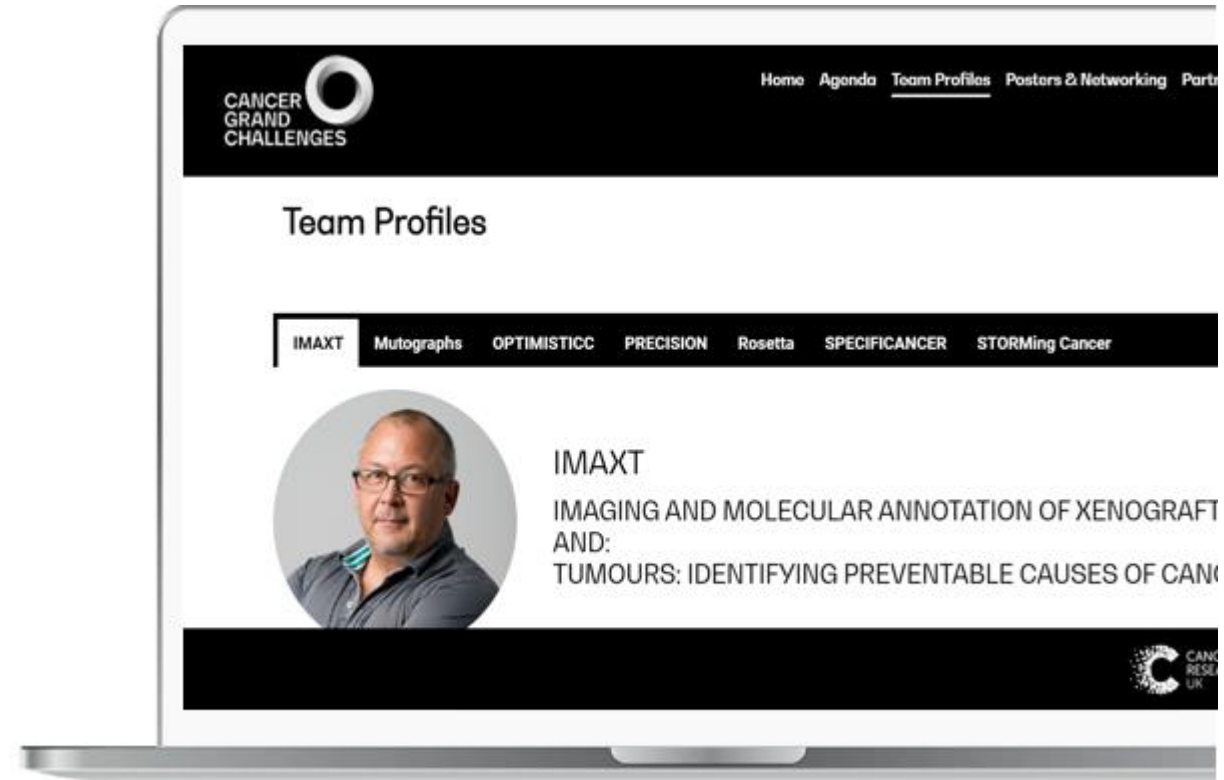
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