

FUTURE HORIZONS:

6th International Colorectal Symposium

Colorectal Research Strategy Update and PPIE event

Monday 22nd September

Royal Society of Medicine

PROGRAMME

Objectives for the day:

To give updates on all our [trials](#)

For trial delivery teams to discuss and get support in delivering our trials

For funders and investigators to meet and network

For invited patients and public to join in a session to discuss how to improve our engagement and inclusivity

To help research supervisors and research fellows with career development

08:00 Registration and arrival pastries

08:45 Introduction and Welcome

Prof Gina Brown, Imperial College London

09:00 - 10:50 Session 1: Trials round up

COMET: tumour deposits vs lymph nodes

MARVEL: evaluation of EMVI positive rectal cancer

DRIVEN: pre-operative prognostic biomarkers and the influence of operative approach on survival

Beyond TME: primary endpoint results

6 vs 12: primary endpoint results

AI and rectal cancers: challenges and advances

Pelvic side wall lymph nodes - just how (un)important are they....?

MERCURY 3: Whatever happened to straight to surgery?

Invited Faculty panel discussion

10:55 Morning coffee

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11:15 - 12:05 Session 2: Why a randomised trial for watch and wait is necessary

TRIGGER - the only international randomised trial for watch and wait

ctDNA in TRIGGER: the molecular component

Invited Faculty panel discussion

11:15 - 12:05 Session 3: PRESERVE: aiming to improve rectal preservation rates in patients with early rectal cancer

Implementing PRESERVE in an EID trial

Invited Faculty panel discussion

PRESERVE: how are we progressing?

Invited Faculty panel discussion

13:15 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:45 Session 4: Patient and public engagement and inclusivity forum

Reflections on the day

Prof Gina Brown, Imperial College London

15:45 Afternoon tea

15:45 - 17:00 Session 5: Future Horizons networking - supporting careers in research at Imperial College London

Consultations with Senior Faculty from Imperial College London

Existing and future research fellows and their supervisors are invited to a networking session addressing career development

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