

**11<sup>th</sup> UK Swallow Research Group Conference.**  
**5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026, Edgbaston Park Hotel Conference Centre, Birmingham, UK.**

**Programme day 1: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026**

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|-------------------------|---|---|
| 08.00-09.00             | Registration & tea/coffee               |   |
| 09.00-09.15             | Welcoming address                       | Justin Roe  |
| 09.15- 10.45            | Anais Rameau                            | AI in dysphagia: Where are we now and what is next?   |
| Artificial Intelligence | Alberto Martin-Martinez                 | Embedding a Systematic and Universal Artificial Intelligence Screening Method for Oropharyngeal Dysphagia in a hospital setting |
|                         | Michelle Lawton & Mike Drinnan          | Developing a respiratory-swallow intervention: Can artificial intelligence help?  |
|                         | Andrea Bandini                          | Developing AI-based methods to automate the analysis of videofluoroscopy  |
| 10.45-11.15             | Tea/coffee & poster vieweing            |   |
| 11.15-12.45             | Eileen Kelly                            | Oral and suprahyoid muscle wasting and dysphagia in critically ill patients   |
| Critical care           | Sarah Edney                             | The impact of hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy on feeding in the NICU and beyond  |
|                         | Carol Gilmore                           | 'An early intervention programme for infants with diaphragmatic hernia on NICU – a service evaluation'                          |
|                         | Prof Brendan McGrath                    | "The impact of airflow on swallowing in mechanically ventilated tracheostomy patients – The SEACTV project".                    |
|                         | Ella Terblanche                         | Exploring the nutritional challenges of survivors of critical illness - the patient perspective                                 |
| 12.45-13.45             | Lunch, networking & poster viewing      |   |
| 13.45-14.15             | Free paper session 1                    |   |
| 14.15-15.15             | Margaret Coffey and Chadwan Al-Yaghachi | High Resolution Manometry   |
| Breakout workshops      | Marloes Lagarde                         | Paediatric ultrasound   |
|                         | Roganie govender                        | Behaviour change in dysphagia rehab   |
|                         | Paula Leslie                            | Writing for publication   |
| 15.15-15.45             | Tea/coffee & poster vieweing            |   |
| 15.45-16.15             | Free paper session 2                    |   |
| 16.15-17.45             | Sheraz Marker                           | Talk title TBC  |
| Oesophageal disorders   | James O'Hara                            | Talk title TBC  |
|                         | Patient representative                  | Talk title TBC  |
| 17.45- 18.00            | Closing remarks                         |   |
| 19.00- late             | Conference dinner                       |   |



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**Programme day 2: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026**

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| 08.00-08.30         | Tea/coffee                         |  |
| 08.30-10.00         | Laura Chahda                       | "Shared Decisions, Meaningful Support: Navigating Dysphagia in Palliative Care"                              |
| Palliative Care     | Dharinee Hansjee                   | Eating and Drinking with Acknowledged Risk   |
|                     | Alex Mancini                       | Talk title TBC   |
| 10.00-10.30         | Free paper session 3               |  |
| 10.30-11.00         | Tea/coffee & poster viewing        |  |
| 11.00-11.30         | Free paper session 4               |  |
| 11.30-12.30         | Chadwan Al-Yachaghi                | High Resolution Manometry paediatrics  |
| Breakout workshops  | Jodi Allen and Joan Ma             | Ultrasound Adults  |
|                     | Roganie Govender                   | Behaviour change   |
|                     | Paula Leslie                       | Writing for publication  |
| 12.30-13.30         | Lunch, networking & poster viewing |  |
| 13.30-15.00         | Lee Bolton                         | Practical recommendations for swallowing and speaking during NIV in people with neuromuscular disorders      |
| Respiratory         | Sabrena Lee & parent speaker       | 'The experiences and views on feeding and swallowing from parents of children who use long-term ventilation' |
|                     | Ricardo Jose                       | The Impact of Reflux and Aspiration on Respiratory Infection and Lung Disease                                |
| 15.00-15.30         | Tea/coffee & poster viewing        |  |
| 15.30- 17.00        | Susan Guthrie                      | Supporting people with mental health conditions  |
| Impact of dysphagia | Lindsey Collins                    | Supporting people with dementia  |
|                     | Tracy Lazenby- Paterson            | Supporting people with intellectual disability   |
|                     | Sonja Jacobs                       | Supporting parents of premature infants after hospital discharge   |
| 17.00- 17.30        | Final remarks and prizes           | Justin Roe   |

*\*programme subject to change*