

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



UKSRG- Thursday 5th Feb 2026

08.00-09.00	Registration & tea/coffee		Exhibitor space
09.00-09.15	Welcoming address	Justin Roe	Fry suite
09.15- 10.45	Joseph Alderman	The risk of algorithmic bias, the way AI is regulated, and the opportunities if we get this right.	
Artificial Intelligence	Alberto Martin-Martinez	Embedding a Systematic and Universal Artificial Intelligence Screening Method for Oropharyngeal Dysphagia in a hospital setting	Fry suite
	Andrea Bandini	Developing AI-based methods to automate the analysis of videofluoroscopy	Fry suite
	Anais Rameau	AI in dysphagia: Where are we now and what is next? (virtual)	Virtual
10.45-11.15	Tea/coffee & poster vieweing		Exhibitor space
Critical care	Eileen Kelly	Oral and suprahyoid muscle wasting and dysphagia in critically ill patients	Fry suite
	Sarah Edney	The impact of hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy on feeding in the NICU and beyond	Fry suite
	Carol Gilmore	An early intervention programme for infants with diaphragmatic hernia on NICU – a service evaluation	Fry suite
	Prof Brendan McGrath	The impact of airflow on swallowing in mechanically ventilated tracheostomy patients – The SEACTV project	Fry suite
	Ella Terblanche	Exploring the nutritional challenges of survivors of critical illness - the patient perspective	Fry suite
12.45-13.45	Lunch, networking & poster viewing		Exhibitor space
13.45-14.15	Free paper session 1		Fry suite
	Martina Guido	Determining the Value of Bulbar (Genioglossus) Electromyography in the Assessment of Dysphagia in Children	
	Jodi Allen	Quantitative muscle ultrasound as an assessment and phenotyping tool in neuromuscular dysphagia	
	Nicola Martindale	Implementing the free water protocol in the acute stroke unit setting: Focus groups to explore how to overcome perceived barriers.	
14.15-15.15	Margaret Coffey and Chadwan Al-Yaghachi	High Resolution Manometry- introduction	Fry suite
Breakout workshops	Marloes Lagarde and Mari Viviers	Paediatric ultrasound	Breakout room 1
	Roganie govender	Behaviour change in dysphagia rehab	Breakout room 2
	Paula Leslie	Writing for publication	Breakout room 3
15.15-15.45	Tea/coffee & poster vieweing		Exhibitor space
15.45-16.15	Free paper session 2		Fry suite
	Rachel Sylla	Is there value in intensive dysphagia therapy six months after radiotherapy? A service evaluation of Swallowing bootcamp	
	Kelly Weir	Eating and Drinking Function in individuals with cerebral palsy across the lifespan – Does function change with time?	
	Sally Archer	Boosting confidence at the bedside: Supporting speech and language therapy students to offer mealtime assistance	
16.15-17.30	Sheraz Marker	LINX vs Fundoplication (GOLF) study	Fry suite
Gastroesophageal considerations	James O'Hara	LPR - an evidence review and the TALGITS Trial	Fry suite
	Dr Kornilia Nikak	The use of high resolution manometry in the diagnosis of paediatric oesophageal dysphagia	Fry suite
17.30- 17.45	Closing remarks		Fry suite
19.00- late	Conference dinner		Restaurant

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08.00-08.30	Tea/coffee		Exhibitor space
08.30-09.45	Robert George	Palliative care: setting the scene	Fry suite
Palliative Care	Laura Chahda	Shared Decisions, Meaningful Support: Navigating Dysphagia in Palliative Care	Fry suite
	Dharinee Hansjee	Eating and Drinking with Acknowledged Risk	Fry suite
09.45- 10.15	Free paper session 3		Fry suite
	Jodi Allen	A cross-sectional study exploring the alignment between patient-reported and biomechanical dysphagia outcomes in myotonic dystrophy type1 (DM1)	
	Roganie Govender	Feasibility of a cluster-randomised swallowing prehabilitation trial (SIP SMART2) within the NHS cancer care pathway	
	David Smithard/ Yuki Yoshimatsu	Supporting Decision-making around Eating and Drinking with Acknowledged Risks in older adults – A mixed methods study of the experiences of clinicians in Japan and the UK	
10.15-10.45	Tea/coffee & poster viewing		Exhibitor space
10.45- 11.15	Free paper session 4		Fry Suite
	Louise Bax	Significance of Elevated Pharyngeal Constriction Ratio in Infancy in Predicting Feeding Outcomes	
	Elizabeth Montgomery	Investigating the Relationship Between Laryngeal Oedema and Dysphagia Severity Following Extubation and Tracheostomy	
	David Smithard	Swallowing and Ageing: An Internet based study	
11.15- 12.15	Margaret Coffey and Chadwan Al-Yagh	High Resolution Manometry paediatrics, clinical cases and biofeedback	Fry suite
Breakout workshops	Jodi Allen and Joan Ma	Ultrasound Adults	Breakout room 1
	Roganie Govender	Behaviour change	Breakout room 2
	Paula Leslie	Writing for publication	Breakout room 3
12.15- 13.15	Lunch, networking & poster viewing	13.00-13.15 (AGM optional in Fry Suite)	Exhibitor space
13.15- 14.30	Lee Bolton	Practical recommendations for swallowing and speaking during NIV in people with neuromuscular disorders	Fry Suite
Respiratory	Sabrina 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	
14.30- 15.00	Tea/coffee & poster viewing		Exhibitor space
15.00- 16.30	Susan Guthrie	Supporting people with mental health conditions (virtual)	Fry Suite
Impact of dysphagia	Lindsey Collins	Supporting people with dementia	
	Tracy Lazenby- Paterson	How intellectual disability complexifies dysphagia diagnosis and management	
	Sonja Jacobs	Feeding premature infants: Supporting parents beyond discharge	
16.30- 17.00	Final remarks and prizes	Justin Roe	Exhibitor space