

WINTER MEETING 2026

4th November 2026

Venue: Robens Suite, 29th Floor, Tower Wing, Guys Hospital, London, SE1 9RT
and online

Start	Topic	Presenter
09:00-09:30	Registration	
09:30-09:40	Welcome	BPAIIG committee
Session 1		
09:40-10:20	Emerging Viral Infections	Dr Catherine Houlihan, Consultant in clinical virology and infectious diseases, UCLH London
10:20-11:05	Trainee Presentations (15 minutes each) x3	
11:05-11:35	Small Grant Awardee talk	Dr Rose Crane, Clinical Lecturer, City St George's, University of London
<i>Coffee break</i>		
Session 2		
11:50-12:30	A Land Without Allergies	Dr Sara Abdelgalil, Consultant in Paediatric Allergy, Norfolk and Norwich University Hospitals
12:30-13:05	A career in Paediatric immunology	Mary Slatter, Consultant in Bone Marrow Transplant & Immunology, Great North Children's Hospital
<i>Lunch break</i>		
Session 3		
14:00-15.00	Panel Discussion: Metagenomics: how? what? When? Who?	Dr Jonnie Cohen, Consultant in Paediatric Infectious Diseases, Evelina London Children's Hospital & BPAIIG chair Dr Julianne Brown, Principal Clinical Scientist, Great Ormond Street Hospital Dr Kathryn Harris, Consultant Clinical Scientist Virology, Royal London Hospital

15:00-15:45	Key Paediatric publications in 2026: (15 mins each)	
<i>Coffee break</i>		
Session 4		
16:15-16:40	Business Meeting include research update	BPAIIG committee
16:40-16:55	Training/CSAC update	Dr Simon Drysdale, PAIID co-chair, Senior Clinician Trials Paediatrician, Oxford Vaccine Group, University of Oxford
16:55-17:00	Concluding comments	Dr Jonnie Cohen, Head of Service and Consultant, Evelina London Children's Hospital & BPAIIG chair
17.00-19.00	Drinks reception	

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BPAIIG Committee Members

- BPAIIG Convenor - Jonathan Cohen, Head of Service and Consultant, Evelina London Children's Hospital
- BPAIIG Secretary - Marieke Emonts, Consultant in Paediatric Infectious Diseases and Immunology, Great North Children's Hospital
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- BPAIIG Allergy Lead & Research Rep - Nandinee Patel, Consultant Paediatric Allergist, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust
- BPAIIG Immunology / Infectious Diseases Lead - Paul Torpiano, consultant in Paediatric Immunology, Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children
- BPAIIG Immunology Rep - Ben Shillitoe, Consultant in Paediatric Immunology and Infectious Diseases, Sheffield Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- BPAIIG Allergy Rep - Rosalind Capelin-Jones, University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust
- BPAIIG Trainee Representatives -
 - Eiman Hamid (Immunology/ID), Paeds ID/Immunology GRID, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust
 - Tal Oryan (Allergy), St Mary's Hospital

Target Audience: Paediatricians, training and career grades, with an interest in allergy, immunology and infectious diseases

Aims and objectives:

- Provide delegates with expert opinion on the management of important conditions relevant to paediatric allergy, immunology and infection.
- Discuss hot topics in paediatric allergy, immunology and infectious disease.
- Update delegates on collaborative research projects relevant to UK paediatric allergists, immunologist and ID specialists.
- Showcase high quality research carried out by trainees in paediatric allergy, immunology and infectious disease.

Teaching methods: Combination of plenary lectures, debate, interactive trainee presentations.

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