FEDERATION OF INFECTION SOCIETIES CONFERENCE 2026

Indicates Interactive Session

TUESDAY 24 NOVEMBER

DAY ONE

08:00	**DELEGATE REGISTRATION WITH COFFEE AND EXHIBITION VIEWING**			
08:40	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** **Welcome to conference** Surabhi Taori, Chair, FIS International 2026			
09:00 – 10:00	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** Chair: Lisa Ridgway **HIS Lowbury Lecture** **Enough: Finding the Golden Mean in Infection Prevention** Brett Mitchell, Avondale University & Central Coast Local Health, Australia			
10:00	**EXHIBITION VIEWING AND REFRESHMENTS**			
10:30 – 12:00	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** Healthcare Infection Society **Zoonotic spill over at the human–animal interface** Chair: Surabhi Taori	**ALSH** Association for Laboratory Medicine / The British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy **Antimicrobial susceptibility testing in 2026: getting the right result for the right patient** Chairs: Naomi Gadsby and Ioannis Baltas	**BOISDALE** British Infection Association / BPAIIG **Maternal and neonatal sepsis** Chair: Kavita Sethi	**CARRON** ESCMID Study group for Biofilms / Central Sterilisation Club **Biofilms and decontamination: detection, control and prevention** Chairs: Margreet Vos and Andrew Smith
	10:30 – 11:00 **Designing clinical research in the middle of chaos: lessons from Ebola** Lauren Sauer, Director, Special Pathogens Research Network (SPRN), National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC), United States **11:00 – 11:30** **Andesvirus goes global** Walter Zingg, Head of Hospital Hygiene, Clinic for Infectious Diseases and Hospital Hygiene, University Hospital Zurich, Rämistrasse, Zurich **11:30 – 12:00** **Bites, bats and beyond: Kyasanur forest disease, Leptospirosis and emerging zoonoses** Nitin Gupta, Professor and Head, Division of Tropical Medicine, Department of Infectious Diseases, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, India	**10:30 – 11:00** **New drugs, new rules: how to test susceptibility for novel antimicrobials** Katie Hopkins, Lead Clinical Scientist, Antimicrobial Resistance & Mechanisms Service, UK Health Security Agency, UK **11:00 – 11:30** **Rapid antimicrobial susceptibility testing: The current state of the art** Luke Moore, Consultant Infectious Diseases /Microbiology/Virology Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, UK **11:30 – 12:00** **The EUCAST antifungal susceptibility system and why you should use it** Joseph Meletiadis, Associate Professor of Mycology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece	**10:30 – 11:00** **Maternal sepsis - burden and challenges** Nigel Simpson, Consultant in Obstetrics & Gynecology, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, UK **11:00 – 11:30** **Antimicrobial stewardship in neonates: high exposure, low certainty, new horizons** Helen Brotherton, Consultant Neonatologist, NHS Fife & University of St Andrews School of Medicine, UK **11:30 – 12:00 (Virtual Talk)** **Neonatal sepsis in a changing world: global burden, antimicrobial resistance and the way forward** Fatima Mussa, Pediatrician, Lecturer, PhD Fellow, Muhimbili University of health and Allied Science (MUHAS), Tanzania	**10:30 – 11:00** **Biofilms & contaminated duodenoscopes- how we manage the risk** Bibi Mason-Slingerland, Clinical Microbiologist, Erasmus University Medical Centre Rotterdam, Netherlands **11:00 – 11:30** **Practicalities of risk assessment when decontamination fails** Jincy Jerry, DIPC, NHS Ayrshire and Arran, UK **11:30 – 12:00** **Dry biofilms: impact, prevention and control - is there anything that can be done today?** Gordon Mackay, Professor of Microbiology / Director of Research and Innovation, University of The West Of Scotland / NHS Lanarkshire
12:00	**EXHIBITION VIEWING AND LUNCH**		**ALSH** **12:25 – 13:25** Healthcare Infection Society **Your role as a new consultant** **Chair:** Stephen Aston	

			James Price, Associate Professor in Infection, Department of Global Health and Infection, Brighton and Sussex Medical School, UK **Workshop facilitators:** Ben Canning, Dominic Haigh, Leila White, Ben Tomlinson, Samantha Manyanga	
			BOISDALE **12:25 – 13:25** Healthcare Infection Society **Trainee exam preparation workshop** **Chair: Penelope Sellers** Natasha Ratnaraja, Consultant in Infection, University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire, UK **Workshop Facilitators**: Saied Ali, Alison Burgess, Alex Farrow, Hannah Mooney, Cariad Evans	
			CARRON **12:45 – 13:15** **Sponsored Company Symposia supported by Pfizer** **From susceptibility report to treatment decision: real-world management of Metallo-β-lactamase producers in Wales** Rishi Dhillon, Public Health Wales Microbiology, UK *This sponsored session is not included in the CPD Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians or Royal College of Pathologists accreditation*	
13:30 – 14:30	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** Chair: Rajeka Lazarus			
	BIA JD Williams Lecture **Group A Streptococcus impact through time: message in a bottle** Shiranee Sriskandan, Professor of Infectious Diseases, Imperial College London, UK			
14:30	**EXHIBITION VIEWING AND REFRESHMENTS**			
15:00-16:30	**MAIN AUDITORIUM**	**ALSH**	**BOISDALE**	**CARRON**
	UKHSA **National incident response - dispatches from UKHSA's emerging and epidemic infections directorate** Chair: Colin Brown	Healthcare Infection Society **Navigating the grey zones of IPC: Expert judgement and AI side by side** Chair: Giovanni Satta	Association for Laboratory Medicine / Infection Prevention Society **Sustainable strategies for infection prevention, diagnosis & care** Chair: Naomi Gadsby and Kerry Holden	UK Clinical Vaccine Network **The role of vaccination in preventing infection and nosocomial transmission in care settings** Chair: Rajeka Lazarus
	15:00 - 15:30 **Strengthening healthcare outbreak surveillance in England to support timely intervention and protect patients** James Elston, Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcare and Associated Infection (AMR & HCAI) Division, UKHSA and Dan Blackman, Field Epidemiology Training Programme (FETP) Fellow, UKHSA, UK **15:30 – 16:00** **Climate driven vector borne disease threats to the UK and Europe** Gillian Armstrong, UKHSA, Consultant in Public Health, UKHSA, UK **16:00 – 16:30** **Metagenomics for Public Health Surveillance** Sakib Rokadiya, Consultant	**15:00 - 15:30** **Defining close contact in TB exposure: Where do we draw the line?** Laura Maynard-Smith, University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK **15:30 – 16:00** **When the outbreak doesn't behave: why children change the rules?** Kavita Sethi, Consultant Microbiologist, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, UK **16:00 – 16:30** **Candidozyma auris: from local outbreaks to national action; what comes next** Mariyam Mirfenderesky, Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust, UK	**15:00 - 15:30** **Sustainable IPM: are we preventing infection or creating waste?** Graham Pike, IPC Lead and Manager, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK **15:30 – 16:00** **Antimicrobial resistance – the ultimate sustainability challenge** Enrique Castro-Sanchez, Advanced IPC Nurse Specialist; Honorary lecturer, UKHSA, UK **16:00 – 16:30** **Diagnostic sustainability and stewardship 'from the clinical setting to the laboratory'** Rob Shorten, Consultant Clinical Scientist, Lancashire Teaching Hospital, UK	**15:00 - 15:30** **Evaluating vaccines in care home residents: challenges and opportunities** Laura Shallcross, Director, UCL Institute of Health Informatics, London, UK **15:30 – 16:00** **Vaccinating the healthcare workforce: current status and future opportunities?** Victoria Hall, Consultant Epidemiologist, UKHSA, UK **16:00 – 16:30** **Vaccine preventable transmission within secondary care** Ruth Payne, Senior Clinical Lecturer and Consultant Microbiologist, University of Sheffield/ Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

	Infectious Diseases Physician, UKHSA, UK			

16:30-17:15	**FLASH POSTER TALKS (EXHIBITION HALL)** *Chair: Rajeka Lazarus* *All talks are 3 minutes (plus 1 minute for questions)* **42 - Establishing a Multi-disciplinary Critical Care Antimicrobial Stewardship Programme in Scotland's largest health board** Claire McCue 84 - **Piloting an Antimicrobial Stewardship Service on an Acute Medical Unit: The Effects of Targeted In-Person Ward Rounds** Samuel Fowler **100 - Spread of carbapenem-resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae in a major Turkish teaching hospital is driven by interclonal transmission of promiscuous NDM-carrying plasmids** Ioannis Baltas **111 - Listeria monocytogenes–associated Acute Cholecystitis: A Case Report** Shalika Palangasinghe **144 - Dalbavancin induced pan-glycopeptide resistant Staphylococcus aureus: the sting in the tail** **Peter Davies** **157 - Acute visual loss with fever and lymphadenopathy: an atypical case of cat scratch disease** Ellen Crisp **158 - An investigation by NHS Lothian into circulating Rotavirus types during the spring wave of 2025 and review of corresponding clinical and epidemiological data** Sophie Hughes **195 - An audit of diagnosis, investigation and management of nontuberculous mycobacterial pulmonary disease (NTM-PD) at UHLG against NTM Network UK Standards of Care (2025) and British Thoracic Society NTM-PD (2017) guidelines** Victoria Simpson
17:15 – 19:00	**LOWBURY RECEPTION** Including drinks **(EXHIBITION HALL)** **17:15 – 18:00 POSTER WALKS** **18:00 – 19:00 QUIZ**
19:00	**DAY ONE CLOSE**

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WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER

DAY WO

08:00 — **DELEGATE REGISTRATION WITH COFFEE AND EXHIBITION VIEWING**

08:30 — **MAIN AUDITORIUM**
Chairs: Patrick Lillie and Mike Beadsworth

British Infection Association / HCID
HCID readiness and preparing for the next pandemic: HCID practice, lessons learnt - HantaVirus outbreak

08:30 – 08:50
Hantavirus: experience and lessons learned from Liverpool
Nicholas Wong, Consultant in Infectious Diseases/General Medicine, Liverpool University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

08:50 – 09:10
Delivering a novel post-exposure prophylaxis during the hantavirus outbreak in 2026, experiences of the High Consequence Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Network
Anne Neary, **Lead Infectious Diseases Pharmacist**, Liverpool NHS Foundation Trust, UK

09:10 – 09:30
Welcome back: lessons from the care of a patient with Andes virus
Bernadette Young, Consultant in Infection, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

09:30 – 10:00
Question and answer

10:00 — **MAIN AUDITORIUM**
Chair: Lisa Ridgway

The Gary French Award Lecture: A Tribute to Peter Hoffman
This special session will honour the late Peter Hoffman, with the Gary French Award presented posthumously in recognition of his outstanding contribution and enduring legacy in infection prevention and control

10:15 — **EXHIBITION VIEWING AND REFRESHMENTS**

10:45

MAIN AUDITORIUM	ALSH	BOISDALE	CARRON
Healthcare Infection Society **The future of infection services: strategy, service transformation and the evolving role of the infection specialty** Chairs: Surabhi Taori and Jasmin Islam	Scottish Microbiology Association **What have we learned from the 2022/23 Group A Strep epidemic?** Chair: Andrew Smith	EBJIS **The use of bacteriophages in the treatment of complex bone and joint infections** Chair: Jean-Paul Pirnay	Microbiology Society **Unfinished business: continuous threat diseases** Chair: Joey Shepherd
10:45 – 11:15 **Evolution of the UK infection workforce: insights from the RCPath report** Natasha Ratnaraja, Consultant in Infection, University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire, UK **11:15 - 11:45** **The health security landscape - shaping the future of infection service** Susan Hopkins, Chief Executive, UKHSA, UK **11:45 – 12:15** **Advantages of a prevention-focused system: Perspectives from an EU agency** Christian Giske, Head of AMR	**10:45 – 11:15** **Understanding the molecular dynamics of emm1 GAS infections** Mario Ramirez, Faculty of Medicine, University of Lisbon, Portugal **11:15 - 11:45** **Gaps in the host immune response during the GAS epidemic** Tom Parks, Clinical Associate Professor, Imperial College London, UK **11:45 – 12:15** **Lessons from the paediatric frontline -managing GAS in an outbreak**	**10:45 – 11:15** **Phage therapy strategies: fixed cocktails or personalized preparations?** Jean-Paul Pirnay, Laboratory Director - Senior Scientist, Laboratory for Molecular and Cellular Technology (LabMCT) Queen Astrid Military Hospital, Brussels, Belgium **11:15 - 11:45** **Phage therapy in patients with diabetic foot infections** Ran Nir-Paz, Head service for Novel Therapies in Infectious Diseases, Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel	**10:45 – 11:15** **Social and health factors associated with post-mortem diagnosis of tuberculosis in England: a national retrospective cohort study** Eleanor Morgan, Medical Doctor – CT2, London School of Tropical Medicine, UK **11:15 - 11:45** **Drug-resistant tuberculosis mortality: do we stop caring too soon?** Faye Greenwood, Advanced Clinical Pharmacist - Infectious Disease/HIV/Sexual Health, Liverpool University Hospitals NHS Trust, UK

	and Healthcare Associated Infections, ECDC, Sweden	Louisa Pollock, Consultant Paediatric Infectious Diseases, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, UK	**11:45 – 12:15** **Phage therapy in patients with fracture related infections and periprosthetic joint infections** Novella Cesta, Attending Physician in Infectious Diseases, University Hospital Company, Italy	**11:45 – 12:15** **4 reasons polio has not been eradicated and what we are doing about it** Kathleen O'Reilly, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK
12:15	**EXHIBITION VIEWING AND LUNCH**		**MAIN AUDITORIUM** **12:45 – 13:45** **Spotlight on Industry** Panelists: Shanom Ali, Jincy Jerry, Jasmin Islam, Luke Moore **Companies participating:** Proxximos NEX Health Intelligence Supra Perfecta Innova-Nanojet	
13:45 – 14:45	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** Chair: Tom Parks			
	BIA Barnett Christie Lecture **Pathway to a controlled human infection model for leishmaniasis – can these models also be used effectively in other neglected tropical diseases** Vivak Parkash, NIHR Academic Clinical Lecturer in Infectious Diseases and General Internal Medicine, University of Sheffield & Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK			
14:45	**EXHIBITION VIEWING AND REFRESHMENTS**			
15:15	**MAIN AUDITORIUM**	**ALSH**	**BOISDALE**	**CARRON**
	Infectious Disease Futures Microbiology Society Chairs: Joey Shepherd and Fadil Bidmos	**FREE PAPERS** Chairs: Lisa Ridgway and Jincy Jerry	**FREE PAPERS** Chairs: Fiona McGill and David Partridge	**FREE PAPERS** Chair: Giovanni Satta and Manjula Meda

	15:15 – 16:45 *All presentations are 8 minutes (plus 2 minutes for questions)* **22 - Machine Learning for Predicting Malaria by Accounting for Human and Mosquito Movement** Sylvain Matingou **104 - Microbiology of Cardiac Implantable Electronic Device Infections: A Retrospective Cohort Study from a London Tertiary Extraction Centre** Imogen Smedley **114 - Epidemiology of Group A Streptococci isolated from throat swabs taken in General Practice, NHS GGC between 2017 and 2024** Abbie Simpson **128 - From Environmental Genomics to Precision Biotherapeutics: An Integrated Platform Harnessing Indigenous River Bacteriophages Against Multidrug-Resistant Pathogens** Anjana Ghelani	*All presentations are 8 minutes (plus 3 minutes for questions)* **191 - Evaluation of whole genome sequencing for national surveillance of Neisseria gonorrhoeae** Martin McHugh **120 - From Environmental Surveillance to Policy Action: A One Health Genomic and Metagenomic Surveillance Framework Reveals Hidden Antimicrobial Resistance Reservoirs and Drives State-Level Action in India** Pravinkumar Dudhagara **137 - Comparative Genomic Analysis of Environmental Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacterales Reveals Distinct Persistence Strategies and Plasmid-Mediated Resistance Dissemination Across Hospital Wastewater Ecosystems** Saied Ali	*All presentations are 8 minutes (plus 3 minutes for questions)* **152 - From Report to Action: A survey of Clinician Understanding of EUCAST "Susceptible, Increased Exposure" Reporting and Its Impact on Antimicrobial Prescribing** Anne-Marie Dolan **225 - Appropriateness of antimicrobial use and compliance with guidance in adult patients admitted to acute and chronic care settings in England: Results from the 2023 National Point Prevalence Survey** Cindy Leung Soo **95 - Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia: results of a regional survey on the prescribing practice of infection specialists in Thames Valley** Grace Barnes	*All presentations are 8 minutes (plus 3 minutes for questions)* **61 - Pneumococcal vaccination uptake and all-cause pneumonia outcomes in adults with rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases: a retrospective cohort study in the West of Scotland, UK** Michael Murphy **279 - Exercise Bellerophon: Testing England's Preparedness for an Acute National Outbreak of a Multidrug-Resistant Pathogen using a Multi-Agency Tabletop Exercise** Anika Rahim **294 - Facemask sampling of exhaled SARS-CoV-2 for assessing infectiousness and transmission in the Omicron era: prospective observational studies** Daniel Pan
	162 - Antibacterial Resistance in Head and Neck Infections: A Critical Review Muhammad Kabir **252 - Associations between antidepressant prescribing and antibiotic resistance in Escherichia coli bloodstream infections in Scotland** Laura Ciaccio **Single-cell transcriptomics and metagenomic analysis reveal mechanisms of long-term immunity to cholera following infection and vaccination** Lia Bote **Beyond susceptibility: understanding and reversing antibiotic tolerance in biofilms** Thomas Thompson	**215 - Lifeline: an antimicrobial resistance musical that is a unique and powerful method of public health communication** Emily Cooper **293 - Review of Scottish National HCAI Surveillance Programme** Heather Wilson **291 - Clinical Profile of a cluster of hospitalised Invasive Meningococcal disease outbreak in Kent, UK** Shobha Luxmi	**214 - Impact of automated teicoplanin level alerts on pharmacist intervention and teicoplanin toxicity in two NHS hospitals: a pre-post study** Mo Kwok **285 - Fourteen years of first-line fidaxomicin for Clostridioides difficile infection at a large London tertiary NHS Trust** Oliver Troise **154 - BCG-Associated Mycotic Aneurysmal Disease Following Intravesical Therapy for Non-Muscle-Invasive Bladder Cancer: A Case series** Joseph Parsons	**172 - Measles Immunity in Healthcare Staff: a Ticking Time Bomb? An outbreak of measles in an Acute NHS Trust demonstrating the rising risk of non-immune staff to both patients and colleagues** Eftihia Yiannakis **74 - Evaluating the epidemiology of severe cellulitis and associated household risk of secondary iGAS infection in England: 2015-2022** Eleanor Blakey **292 - Incidence and predictors of surgical site complications in elective orthopaedic surgery: a prospective, multicentre cohort study** Sanjay Nair
16:30 – 18:00	**(EXHIBITION HALL)** **16:40: POSTER WALKS** **17:15: FLASH POSTER TALKS** *Chair: Jincy Jerry* *All talks are 3 minutes (plus 1 minute for questions)* **198 - Outbreak of Non-Toxigenic Corynebacterium diphtheriae in vulnerable patient groups in Hull 2022-2026** Alexander Richards **203 - Successful treatment of refractory, macrolide-resistant, cavitary mycobacterium avium complex (MAC) pulmonary disease with bedaquiline and nebulised amikacin liposomal inhalation suspension (Arikayce©) based regimen** Danielle Lucy **204 - WGS links a shared ward kitchen to a dominant cluster in a polyclonal CPE outbreak**			

	Reena Rambani **223 - Cerebral Abscesses Secondary to HACEK Infective Endocarditis Successfully Managed with Oral Antibiotics** Cerys McGonigal **269 - Communicating evidence-informed, safe and sustainable approaches to use and supply of protective equipment worn by staff in health and social care: Development, dissemination and implementation of evidence-informed statements to guide best practice** Sarah Walpole **272 - You Have a Heart for Horses – Make Sure Your Heart is Clear: A Case of Streptococcus equi Meningitis and Culture-Negative Prosthetic Valve Endocarditis Diagnosed by 16S rRNA PCR** Cyrin Annie Cyriac **299 - A retrospective review of patient self/carer-administration of intravenous antibiotics at home in Outpatient Parenteral Antimicrobial Therapy (OPAT): training an elderly population** Penelope Sellers **296 - Towards Enhanced Selection of Antibiotics in a Hospital Laboratory with RapidPlate™ – a Rapid Electrochemical Antimicrobial Sensitivity Test for Urinary Tract Infections** Michael Murphy	
19:30 – midnight	**SOCIAL EVENING** **Crowne Plaza**	

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THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER

DAY THREE

08:00	**DELEGATE REGISTRATION WITH COFFEE AND EXHIBITION VIEWING**		
08:45	**MAIN AUDITORIUM**	**ALSH**	**BOISDALE**
	Healthcare Infection Society **Rethinking respiratory transmission: Implications for future IPC practice** Chair: Giovanni Satta	BSAC / UKCPA **From hospital to home; the changing landscape – what are the challenges and solutions** Chair: Cassandra Watson	British Infection Association **Update on clinical trials** Chair: Anna Goodman and Stephen Aston
	08:45 – 09:10 **Beyond the AGP List: New Insights from the UKHSA Review of Aerosol Generating Procedures** Joanna Harris, Head of Infection Prevention and Control, UKHSA, UK **09:10 – 09:35** **Beyond transmission categories: Rethinking respiratory IPC for emerging pathogens and disease X** April Baller, IPC & WASH Team Lead, WHO Health Emergencies Programme Geneva, Switzerland **09:35 – 10:00** **Re-defining transmission: translating evidence to practice in Scotland** Susie Dodd, Clinical Lead for ARHAI Scotland's National Policy Guidance and Evidence (NPGE) Programme, ARHAI Scotland, UK and Emma Hooker, Lead Healthcare Scientist, ARHAI Scotland, UK **10:00 – 10:15** Panel discussion	**08:45 – 09:15** **Novel antibiotics and the NHS subscription model: progress and prospects** Aneeka Chavda, Senior Lead pharmacist – Infection, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, UK **09:15 – 09:45** **Emerging therapies, modalities of administration, and optimising dosing** Mark Gilchrist, Consultant Antimicrobial Pharmacist, Imperial College Healthcare, NHS Trust, UK **09:45 – 10:15** **From hospital to home; the changing landscape of infection management** Andrew Seaton, Consultant Infectious Diseases, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, UK	**08:45 – 09:15** **PRONTO Trial - What is the role of procalcitonin in suspected sepsis in the ED? Trial results and next step** Stacy Todd, Consultant in Infectious Diseases and GIM, University Hospitals of Liverpool Group, UK **09:15 – 09:45** **SNAP *S. aureus* bacteraemia- results and impacts** Anna Goodman, Consultant, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation, UK **09:45 – 10:15** **Bacteraemia due to third-generation cephalosporin-resistant enterobacterales: the ASTARTÉ pragmatic trial** Francesco Cogliati Dezza, MD ID Specialist, Clinical Unit of Infectious Diseases and Microbiology, Virgen Macarena University Hospital, Seville
10:15	**EXHIBITION VIEWING AND REFRESHMENTS**		
10:45 – 12:15	**MAIN AUDITORIUM**	**ALSH**	**BOISDALE**
	British Infection Association / BPAIIG **Clinical grand round** Chair: Fiona McGill and Louisa Pollock	IFIC / UKHSA **AMR and infection prevention across borders: surveillance, stewardship and equity for mobile and underserved populations** Chairs: Colin Brown and Marilyn Cruickshank	BASHH **Long-acting injectable treatment for HIV prevention and treatment: insights and experience from experts at the forefront of developing and expanding their use in the UK** Chair: Cara Saxon
	Panel members: Antonia Ho, Conor Doherty, Callum Mutch *All presentations are 20 minutes* 55 - Khulud Alanazi, King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center, Saudi Arabia, Riyadh	**10:45 – 11:15** **IPC and stewardship for mobile, displaced and underserved populations: lessons from the Middle East and humanitarian settings** Gehan Fahmy, Prof of Clinical Microbiology, Ain Shams University, Egypt	**10:45 – 11:15** **Lenacapavir for the treatment of multidrug resistant HIV** Alan Winston, Professor of Medicine and Consultant Physician, Imperial College London and Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, UK **11:15 – 11:45** **Reflections on the roll out of Cabotegravir**

	213 - Sophie Norman, Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust 228 - Ronan Murphy, Royal Centre for Defence Medicine 63 - Omar Rahama, King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Center, Saudi Arabia, Riyadh	**11:15 – 11:45** **The Unequal Burden of Infections and AMR: Translating surveillance evidence into equitable prevention and stewardship** Diane Ashiru-Oredope, Lead Pharmacist and Joint Head Amr Progress Section, UKHSA, UK **11:45 – 12:15** **AMR and infection prevention across borders: surveillance, stewardship and equity for mobile and underserved populations** Lisa Indar**,** Executive Director, Caribbean Public Health Agency**,** Trinidad & Tobago	**long-acting (PrEP) following one year of NHS reimbursement and lessons learned to help shape the future of long-acting PrEP agents** Victoria Tittle, Doctor, Chelsea and Westminster NHS Trust, UK **11:45 – 12:15** **Phase 2 clinical trial in UK and France evaluating lenacapavir for PrEP and a progress update on NICE evaluation of lenacapavir as PrEP in the UK** Killian Quinn, Consultant Physician in Sexual Health & HIV, King's College Hospital, UK
12:15 13:15	**LUNCH AND EXHIBITION VIEWING**		**12:30 – 13:15** **ALSH** Healthcare Infection Society ***Chair: Manjula Meda*** **What should we learn from the Scottish inquiry? - Patient perspective, media insight, and the toxic culture of fear** Christine Peters, Consultant Microbiologist, Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, UK John Cuddihy, TRAMSSMART Limited, UK Andrew Poplett, Authorising Engineer (Water & Ventilation), Andrew Poplett Enterprises Ltd
			12:25 – 13:15 **BOISDALE** British Infection Association **Engaging with infection research: Career pathways and practical opportunities** **Introduction** Jessica Blackaby and Andrew Duncan, BIA ECRC **Doctoral opportunities and alternative pathways to research** Dr Effrossyni Gkrania-Klotsas **Competitive applications from a panel perspective - doctoral fellowships vs ECA** Angharad Davies & Thushan de Silva **Journey to a doctoral fellowship from an NIHR ACF** Daniel Pan **Journey to an intermediate fellowship as an NMAHP** Esmita Charani Panel discussion and questions
13:15 – 14:45	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** British Infection Association / Healthcare Infection Society **A year in infection publishing** Chair**:** Elda Righi	**ALSH** British Society for Medical Mycology **Challenging cases in clinical mycology** Chair: Gordon Ramage	**BOISDALE** Healthcare Infection Society / Microbiology Society **AI and Digital Tools in Infectious Diseases and IPC**

			Chair: Nabeela Mughal and Fadil Bidmos
	13:15 – 13:45 **Best of papers in JHI/EPIC (HIS journals)** Martyn Wilkinson, Biomedical Statistician, Hospital Infection Research Laboratory, University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust, UK **13:45 – 14:15** **Best of papers in JOI/CLIP (BIA journals)** Michael Blank, Clinical Research Fellow, Imperial College, London, UK and Amy Belfield, ID/MM SpR, Newcastle Hospitals, UK **14:15 – 14:45** **Best of the rest** Angela Huttner, Physician and Associate Professor of Infectious Diseases Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland	**13:15 – 13:45** **Challenging cases in pulmonary aspergillosis** Chris Kosmidis, Infectious Diseases Consultant, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust, UK **13:45 – 14:15** **Challenging fungal infections in paediatrics** Adilia Warris**,** Medical Research Centre for Medical Mycology University of Exeter, UK **14:15 – 14:45** **How I treat fungal opsteomyelitis** Neil Stone, Consultant in Infectious Diseases and Microbiology, University College London Hospitals, UK	**13:15 – 13:45** **Can AI actually prevent infection?** James Price, Associate Professor in Infection, Department of Global Health and Infection, Brighton and Sussex Medical School, UK **13:45 – 14:15 (Virtual talk)** **Building AI in Ghana: What does it really take** Darlington Akogo, Founder, CEO, MinoHealth AI Labs, Ghana **14:15 – 14:45** **Speaker to be confirmed**
14:45	**REFRESHMENT BREAK**		
15:00 - 16:30	**MAIN AUDITORIUM** **NITCAR** Chair: Catherine Dominic and Suzie Lant	**ALSH** Healthcare Infection Society **Combatting AMR and HCAI's through built environment stewardship** Chair: Jincy Jerry	**BOISDALE** Welsh Microbiology Association **Goodbye my liver** Chair: Bazga Ali
	From Local Action to Global Networks: Accelerating High-Quality Collaborative Infectious Diseases Research **One Protocol, Multiple Threats: using ISARIC clinical characterisation Protocol to conduct Rapid Research in emerging infections** Prof Antonia Ho, Professor of Infectious Diseases, MRC-University of Glasgow Centre, UK **Building successful clinical collaboratives to maintain value of UK infection specialists** Andrew Kirby, Associate Clinical Professor, The University of Leeds, UK **NITCAR project showcase: PET-IE** Huseyin Bilgin, Microbiology Specialty Doctor, University Hospitals of North Midlands, UK **Management of invasive candidiasis in critical care in the UK - a national survey by BIA/ICS working group** Claire McCue, Consultant in Intensive Care Medicine and Anaesthesia, Glasgow Royal Infirmary, UK	**15:00 – 15:20** **A year in AMR/wastewater research – top 10 papers** Beatriz Larru Martinez Director of Infection Prevention & Control, Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust, Liverpool, UK **15:20 – 15:40** **HIS SPARC: AMR and wastewater, giving you the evidence** Jessica Martin, Consultant Microbiologist, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, UK **15:40 – 16:00** **Changing Minds Before Changing Buildings: How Multidisciplinary Working is Transforming Healthcare Design and Renovation** Rachelle McDade, Director of Healthcare Planning, Currie & Brown, UK and Manjula Meda, Consultant Microbiologist and Infection Prevention Doctor for Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust, UK **16:00 – 16:30** Panel Discussion	**15:00 – 15:30** **A multistorey** Jessica Blackaby, Senior Clinical Research Fellow in Infectious Diseases and SPR In Infectious Diseases & Microbiology, Cardiff University, Public Health Wales, UK **15:30 – 16:00** **Uroskeptics** Catrin Thomas SPR Infectious Diseases & Microbiology, Cardiff & Vale UHB/ Public Health Wales, UK **16:00 – 16:30** **If you encyst** Tristan Day, Infectious Disease and Virology Registrar, University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, UK
16:30	**MAIN AUDITORIUM**		
	CLOSING CEREMONY		
16:40	**CLOSE OF CONFERENCE**		