

IrishPainSociety

25th Annual Scientific Meeting

Saturday 18th October 2025
Aras Moyola, University of Galway

Theme: Pain Management, Research and Education in Low- and Middle-Income Settings

Provisional Programme

9.00-9.30am	Registration & Coffee Trade exhibition
9.30-9.40am	Welcome by Dr. Michelle Roche, University of Galway and IPS President
9.40 – 10.10	<i>Opening Address and Plenary talk:</i> Prof. Luis Garcia-Larrea, Lyon Neuroscience Centre, France and President of the European Pain Federation EFIC. Cortical stimulation for chronic pain: From anecdote to evidence
Session 1	Chairperson: Dr Shelagh Wright Chartered Psychologist; Autogenic Trainer; Retired RN; RM
10.10-10.40	<i>Nursing Speaker</i> Dr. Nadja Nestler (Head of Department Nursing Development Units at the Institute for Nursing Science and Practice of the Paracelsus Medical Private University, Salzburg, Germany. President of the German Pain Society) Pain Management and Research from a Nursing Perspective
10.40-11.10	<i>Psychology Speaker</i> Prof. Kevin Vowles (Professor, School of Psychology, Queens University, Belfast) Rehabilitative treatments for chronic pain: Three decades of lessons learned
11.10-11.30	Coffee break Trade exhibition and Poster presentations
Session 2	Chairperson: Dr Conor Hearty, Dean Faculty of Pain Medicine
11.30-11.50	Pain Medicine / Nursing Speakers Dr. David Moore & Dr. Joanne O'Brien, iPainCentre, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin Developing an Integrated Community Based Pain Service: Lessons Learned
11.50-12.30	Trauma-Informed Pain Care: Panel discussion and Q&A

Session 3	Chairperson: Dr Olga Baron, University College Dublin
12.30-13.15	Short Oral Presentations hosted by the Irish Pain Researchers Network (IPRN)
13.15 - 14.30	Lunch Trade exhibition and Poster presentations
Session 4	Chairperson: Prof David Finn
14.30 – 15.00	<i>Physiotherapy Speaker</i> Prof. Harriet Wittink (Professor Lifestyle and Health at HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht, Netherlands) Activity Patterns in Chronic Pain
15.00-15.30	<i>Basic Science Speaker</i> Prof. Jeffrey Mogil (E.P. Taylor Professor of Pain Studies, Department of Psychology, McGill University, Montreal, Canada) Pain, Sex, and Death
Session 5	Educational Meetings and Workshops
15.30-16.30	Room1: Irish Pain Nurses Education Meeting: Chairs: Transitional pain nursing to prevent chronic postsurgical pain Room2: Irish Pain Physiotherapy Group Education Meeting: Chair: Prof Keiran O’Sullivan The role of Physiotherapists in identifying non-physical barriers to recovery from persistent pain Room3: Irish Pain Psychologist Group Education meeting: Chair: Dr Patrick Finan The role of Psychology in Chronic Pain Services; review, development and the model of care. Room4: Basic Science of Pain Education Meeting: Chair: Prof Siobhain O’Mahony 1) The future of animal models 2) Use of omics in pain research. Room 5: Pain Medicine Procedures Workshop: Chair: Dr Tadgh Lynch Topic: Neurophysiology of Chronic Pain
Session 6	Chairperson: Dr. Michelle Roche (University of Galway and IPS President)
16.30-16.45	<i>Closing Address: Prof Andrew Rice, President of the International Association for the Study of Pain</i>
16.45-17.00	Prize-giving and Awards
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