

# 18<sup>th</sup> Educational Meeting of the EBMT Nurses Group

Dublin, Ireland | 1-2 October 2026



Thursday, 1 October 2026

<b>08:30 - 10:10</b>	<b>Session I: Advances in Nursing Practice</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Hilda Mekelenkamp (NL) &amp; Mairéad Ní Chonghaile (IE)</i>	
<b>08:30 - 08:35</b>	Welcome from the organizers	Hilda Mekelenkamp (NL)
<b>08:35 - 08:45</b>	Welcome from the local nurse	Mairéad Ní Chonghaile (IE)
<b>08:45 - 09:00</b>	Palliative and Supportive Care in HCT and CT	Michelle Kenyon (UK)
<b>09:00 - 09:15</b>	Oral care guidelines	Carlotta Cadsky (DE)
<b>09:30 - 09:45</b>	Careers in Advance Practice	Thomas Jézéquel (FR)
<b>09:45 - 09:55</b>	<i>Oral Presentation:</i> The role of the Advanced Nurse Practitioner- a multifaceted role in stem cell transplantation and cellular therapy	<i>To be announced</i>
<b>09:55 - 10:05</b>	<i>Oral Presentation:</i> Optimizing Advanced Practice Nursing Consultation in the Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation Pathway: Enhancing Patient Experience and Quality of Care	<i>To be announced</i>
<b>10:05 - 10:10</b>	Q&A	
<b>10:10 - 11:00</b>	<b>Session II: Cellular therapy</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Carmel Ann Galligan (IE) &amp; Ruth Clout (UK)</i>	
<b>10:10 - 10:20</b>	The evolving role of gene therapy for patients with hemoglobinopathies	Majken Høeg Olsen (DK)
<b>10:20 - 10:40</b>	Outpatient delivery of CAR T-cell therapy	Luminita Keating (UK)
<b>10:40 - 10:50</b>	Geriatric Care Pathways in cellular therapy	Mairéad Ní Chonghaile (IE)
<b>10:50 - 11:00</b>	Q&A	
<b>11:00 - 11:30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<b>11:30 - 12:30</b>	<b>Session III: Follow-up models</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Michelle Kenyon (UK) &amp; Lorraine Brennan (IE)</i>	
<b>11:30 - 11:35</b>	Case Presentation	
<b>11:35 - 11:42</b>	Follow up model 1 - Telephone clinics	Emma Kane (UK)
<b>11:42 - 11:49</b>	Follow up model 2 - Shared care	Carmel Ann Galligan (IE)
<b>11:49 - 11:56</b>	Follow up model 3 - Monitoring care	Sabine Valenta (DE)
<b>11:56 - 12:20</b>	Discussion	
<b>12:20 - 12:30</b>	Introduction to the EBMT Nurses Group	Hilda Mekelenkamp (NL)
<b>12:30 - 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>13:30 - 14:30</b>	<b>Session IV: Research Session:</b> <b>"Please Mind the Gap: Bridging research and practice with implementation science"</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Matthias Hellberg-Naegele (CH) &amp; Lynn Leppla (DE)</i>	
<b>13:30 - 13:50</b>	Introduction to Implementation Science	Lynn Leppla (DE)
<b>13:50 - 14:00</b>	Clinical example of implementation challenges and chances	Sabine Valenta (DE)
<b>14:00 - 14:30</b>	Identifying implementation barriers and tailored strategies	Sabine Valenta (DE) Carlotta Cadsky (DE) Lynn Leppla (DE)

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14:30 - 15:30	<b>Session V: Psycho social support</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Cristina Baiana (BE) &amp; Chiara Giacon (DE)</i>	
14:30 - 14:55	Understanding and managing fear of cancer recurrence	Sonya Collier (IE)
14:55 - 15:20	Communication and use of language	Kathleen McHugh (UK)
15:15 - 15:25	<i>Oral Presentation:</i> The Importance of Psychosocial and Hygiene Assessment Prior to Stem Cell Transplantation	
15:25 - 15:30	Q&A	Ajna Džanić (HR)
15:30 - 16:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
16:00 - 17:00	<b>Session VI: GvHD</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Sandrine Bremathas (UK) &amp; Fidelma Dowdall (IE)</i>	
16:00 - 16:15	New therapies and management of GvHD	Nina Orfali (IE)
16:15 - 16:30	Organ transplant after GvHD	Marta Parcerisas (ES)
16:30 - 16:45	Female Genital GvHD – Nursing Care and Quality of Life	Angela Leather (UK)
16:45 - 16:55	<i>Oral Presentation:</i> The addition of allogeneic bone marrow-derived mesenchymal stromal cells in the treatment of an adult patient with steroid-refractory grade IV intestinal acute GvHD.	
16:55 - 17:00	Q&A	Musa Dubali (IT)
<b>Friday, 2 October 2026</b>		
09:00 - 10:00	<b>Session VII: Prize Winners of the 52nd Annual Meeting from the Nurses Group</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Thomas Jézéquel (FR) &amp; Angela Leather (UK)</i>	
09:00 - 09:10	Best research award (adult)	Sabine Valenta (DE)
09:10 - 09:20	Best oral presentation abstract (adult)	Nina Canova (CH)
09:20 - 09:30	Best oral presentation abstract (paediatric)	Isabel Salcedo (ES)
09:30 - 09:40	Best poster abstract (adult)	Oleksandr Istomin (UA)
09:40 - 09:50	Best poster Abstract (paediatric)	Dina El Mouzain (AE)
09:50 - 10:00	Discussion	
10:00 - 11:00	<b>Session VIII: Paediatric and AYA/TYA</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Mairéad O'Brien (IE) &amp; Ida Bremer Ophorst (NL)</i>	
10:00 - 10:15	Transition of care	Trude Minnee-Guyt (NL)
10:15 - 10:30	Supporting siblings throughout the HCT or CT journey	Minna Devantier (DK)
10:30 - 10:45	Supporting minor donors	Elin Öfverberg (SE)
10:45 - 10:55	<i>Oral Presentation:</i> Turning a Digital Tool into a Nursing Conversation: Supporting Child Empowerment During HSCT	
10:55 - 10:00	Q&A	<i>To be announced</i>
11:00 - 11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:30 - 12:30	<b>Session IX: Immune reconstitution after HCT and cellular therapy</b> <b>Chairs:</b> <i>Dilnasheen Rana (PK) &amp; Claudia Boglione (IT)</i>	
11:30 - 11:45	Vaccinations after HCT and CT	Lorraine Brennan (IE)
11:45 - 12:00	Useful measuring immune reconstitution	Barbara Loconte (CH)
12:00 - 12:15	Addressing immunodeficiency after HCT and CT	Stéphanie Schmitt (FR)
12:15 - 12:30	Take Home Messages & Closing Remarks	Hilda Mekelenkamp (NL)