

IRISH ASSOCIATION OF PHARMACOLOGISTS

ANNUAL MEETING

(IAP 2025)

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME – Friday, 14th November 2025

UCD Student Centre (“Red Room” & Foyer, Ground floor)

Time	Activity
9:00 am (30 mins)	Registration at reception desk <u>Location:</u> Foyer
9:30 am (10 mins)	Opening Remarks by Dr Monica de Gaetano, IAP President (UCD SBBS, Dublin) <u>Location:</u> Red Room
9:40 am (100 mins)	Session 1 (EXPERIMENTAL PHARMACOLOGY): <i>“Bridging eras: Integrating classical pharmacology with cutting-edge therapies”</i> <u>Location:</u> Red Room Chair: Prof. Stephen Kerrigan (RCSI, Dublin) -- 9:40 – 10:25 am (Invited Keynote Speaker 1): “Current concepts and innovative targets in antiplatelet therapy for disease prevention, treatment, and diagnostics: Advancing precision medicine” – Prof. Paola Patrignani (“G. d’Annunzio” University, Chieti, Italy) 10:25 – 10:40 am (Selected Speaker 1): “Investigating the SRF signalling network as a druggable target in advanced prostate cancer” – Dr Kim Zitzmann (UCD SBBS, Dublin) 10:40 – 10:55 am (Selected Speaker 2): “Investigating the atherosclerotic immune-modulatory potential of the multi-mineral supplement Aquamin” – Dr Sashki Hans (TCD Medicine, Dublin) 10:55 – 11:00 am (Elevator Pitch A): “Accelerating pharmacology with Thermo Fisher Scientific” – Dr John Synnott (Thermo Fisher Scientific)
11:00 am (25 mins)	Coffee Break & Moderated Poster Session 1 (Even numbers) <u>Location:</u> Foyer

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11:25 am (80 mins)	Session 2 (CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY): <i>“From bench to bedside: Challenges, unmet needs, and new perspectives”</i> <u>Location:</u> Red Room Chair: Prof. Catherine Godson (UCD Medicine, Dublin) -- 11:25 – 12:10 pm (Invited Keynote Speaker 2): “Obesity and GLP-1 – Lessons from patients” – Prof. Donal O’Shea (SVUH/UCD Medicine, Dublin) 12:10 – 12:25 pm (Selected Speaker 3): “Responses to medication and lifestyle questionnaires in a weight loss clinical trial for patients with resistant hypertension: An initial report” – Mr Jayce O’Shields (TCD Medicine, Dublin) 12:25 – 12:40pm (Selected Speaker 4): “Stroke alert, but not a stroke: Unmasking mexiletine neurotoxicity” – Dr Mary Enright (University Hospital Limerick) 12:40 – 12:45 pm (Elevator Pitch B): “Validation or just viability – Are you letting your workflow flipping the coin often?” – Dr Madhurima Mitra (Brennan & Co.)
12:45 pm (45 mins)	12:45 – 1:30 pm Lunch & Poster Viewing <u>Location:</u> Foyer
1:30 pm (45 mins)	John Feely Lecture & Award <u>Location:</u> Red Room Chair: Prof. Mark Evans (BPS VP, Univ. of Edinburgh – UK) Awardee: Prof. Christian Waeber, Head of Pharmacology & Therapeutics (UCC, Cork): <i>“From serendipity to translation: A meandering journey through pharmacology and drug discovery”</i>
2:15 pm (80 mins)	Session 3 (EDUCATIONAL PHARMACOLOGY): <i>“Learning-by-doing: Active engagement strategies in pharmacology education”</i> <u>Location:</u> Red Room Chair: Prof. Helen Gallagher (UCD Medicine, Dublin) --

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	2:15 – 3:00 pm (Invited Keynote Speaker 3): “From bench to brain: Enhancing pharmacology education through active engagement” – Assoc. Prof. Carmel Hensey, Head of Pharmacology (UCD SBBS, Dublin) 3:00 – 3:15 pm (Selected Speaker 5): “Game-based learning as a scalable solution for modern pharmacy education” – Ms Ashley Ajie (RCSI, Dublin) 3:15 – 3:30 pm (Selected Speaker 6): “A pedagogical approach: Online interactive learning in the core principles of pharmacology” – Dr Gerardine Meade-Murphy (UCC, Cork) 3:30 – 3:35 pm (Elevator Pitch C): Mr Cameron Cruickshank (Avantor Science)
3:35 pm (25 mins)	Coffee Break & Moderated Poster Session 2 (Odd numbers) Location: Foyer
4:00 pm (45 mins)	4:00 – 4:15 pm Annual General Meeting (AGM) Location: Red Room Chair: Dr Cormac Kennedy, IAP VP (TCD Medicine, Dublin) 4:15 – 4:45 pm Roundtable Discussion <i>“Being a pharmacologist: Duties & responsibilities”</i> Location: Red Room Chair: Prof. David Williams, IAP Executive Advisor (RCSI, Dublin)
4:45 pm (30 mins)	Prof. John Crean Memorial Lecture Location: Red Room Chair: Prof. Keith Murphy (UCD SBBS, Dublin) “Prof. John Crean. Pioneering the Future of Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine: A Lasting Legacy” – Dr Jessica Davis (UCD SBBS, Dublin)
5:15 pm (15 mins)	Prizes & Closure Remarks Location: Red Room 5:15 – 5:25 pm: BPS-sponsored Awards: Prof. Mark Evans (BPS VP, UK) 5:25 – 5:30 pm: Closing remarks: Dr Monica de Gaetano, IAP President (UCD SBBS, Dublin)
From 5:30 pm	Networking Evening Location: <u>UCD Clubhouse Student Bar</u>