



21st OVG Immunisation Seminar

Thursday 12th March 2026
University Suite, Leonardo Royal Hotel Oxford,
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| Time | Topic | Speaker |
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| 08.30 - 09.00 | Hot drinks & registration | |
| 09.00 | Welcome | Karen Ford Immunisation specialist and Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group |
| 09.05 | The importance of vaccines | Professor Sir Andrew J Pollard Ashall Professor of Infection and Immunity; Director of the Oxford Vaccine Group |
| Session 1 Session Chair: Sarah Kelly Clinical Programme Director (Global), OVG | | |
| 09.30 | Vaccine development from discovery to phase 4 vaccine trials | Dr Robert Shaw Honorary Consultant in Infectious Diseases & Microbiology and Principal Investigator, Oxford Vaccine Group |
| 09:50 | Chikungunya, endemic disease and travel vaccines | Professor George Warimwe Professor of Vaccinology, Centre for Tropical Medicine & Global Health, University of Oxford |
| 10.10 | Vaccines against Salmonella | Professor Malick Gibani Clinical Associate Professor of Bacterial Vaccinology, Imperial College London |
| 10.30 | Determinants of future health | Dr James Gilchrist Wellcome Career Development Fellow, Oxford Vaccine Group & Honorary Consultant in Paediatric Infectious Diseases & Immunology |
| 10.50 | Session Q&A | |
| 11.00 – 11.30 | Coffee break | |
| Session 2 Session Chair: Karen Ford, Immunisation specialist and Senior Research Nurse, OVG | | |
| 11.30 | Communicating the importance of maternal vaccination programmes | Professor Chrissie Jones Professor of Paediatric Infection and Immunity, University of Southampton |

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| 11.50 | Impact of the RSV Programme; adult, maternal and selective neonatal | Professor Simon Drysdale Consultant in Paediatric Infectious Diseases and Principal Investigator, Oxford Vaccine Group |
| 12.10 | Chickenpox and Shingles vaccination | Dr Gayatri Amirthalingam Immunisation and Vaccine Preventable Diseases, UK Health Security Agency |
| 12.30 | HPV vaccination. Post-licensure real-world vaccine safety | Professor Nick Andrews Immunisation and Vaccine Preventable Diseases, UK Health Security Agency |
| 12.50 | Session Q&A | |
| 13.00-14.00 | Lunch | |
| 14.00 | <i>Ask the panel</i> | Professor Sir Andrew Pollard (Chair), plus speakers |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Session 3 <i>Session Chair: Hannah Robinson, , OVG</i></p> | | |
| 14.30 | What factors contribute to the acceptance of changes to childhood Immunisation schedules among parents and vaccine recipients? | Charlie Firth Communication and Global Engagement Lead/DPhil Candidate, Oxford Vaccine Group |
| 14.50 | Societal influences to the success of vaccines | Dr Sally Frampton Humanities and Healthcare Fellow, TORCH: The Oxford Research Centre for the Humanities, Faculty of History, University of Oxford |
| 15.10 | Advantages and disadvantages of higher valent pneumococcal vaccines | Professor Stefan Flasche Einstein-BUA Strategic Professor of Infectious Disease Dynamics and Global Health, CharitéCenter for Global Health, Berlin |
| 15:30 | How vaccines maintain health and protect from diseases | Professor Dominic Kelly BRC Consultant in Paediatrics & Vaccinology, Oxford Vaccine Group |
| 15:50 | Session Q&A | |
| 16.00 | Closing remarks | Karen Ford |

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