



**IMMUNOLOGY
SYMPOSIUM**
— IN CYPRUS —

RECOGNISING IMMUNE DISORDERS TOGETHER

22-23 OCTOBER 2026
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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

DAY 01 | THURSDAY 22nd OCTOBER

10:00 - 12:00 **Internal Multidisciplinary Workshop**
Discussion of challenging multidisciplinary cases with international experts and members of the local medical community.

12:00 - 13:45 Registration

13:45 - 14:00 **Opening Ceremony**

- Karaïskakio Foundation
- Ministry of Health
- Cyprus Paediatric Society
- Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust

Session 1 | Recognising Immune Disorders: The Importance of Early Recognition

14:00 - 14:10 The Need for Cross-Specialty Awareness in Primary Immunodeficiency (PID)/ Inborn Errors of Immunity (IEI)
Laura Koumas

14:10 - 14:30 The Spectrum of Primary Immunodeficiency: Why Early Recognition is a Challenge
Austen Worth

14:30 - 14:50 Common Presentations of PID in Childhood
Paul Torpiano

14:50 - 15:10 PID Presenting in Adulthood
Siobhan Burns

15:10 - 15:30 Q&A Session
15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break

Session 2 | Across Specialties: Infectious and Non-Infectious Presentations of PID

16:00 - 16:20 Recurrent Infections That Should Raise Alarm
Siobhan Burns

16:20 - 16:40 Infectious and Non-infectious Presentations in PID
Paul Torpiano

16:40 - 17:00 Primary Immunodeficiencies and Infections
Nikolaos Spervasilis

17:00 - 17:20 When Recurrent Respiratory Disease Should Trigger an Immunology Work-Up
Evgenios Metaxas

17:20 - 17:40 Secondary Malignancies in PID
Michalis Michael

17:40 - 18:00 Q&A Session

DAY 02 | FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER

Session 3 | Diagnostic Approach: From Suspicion to Diagnosis

09:00 - 9:20 Recognition of PID/IEI and Approach to Early Diagnosis
Maria Kanariou

09:20 - 9:40 Immunological Investigation of Suspected PID/IEI
Laura Koumas

09:40 - 10:00 Approaching Immunodeficiencies in the Genetics Clinic
Violetta Anastasiades

10:00 - 10:20 Current Tools in the Genetic Investigation of PID
Andri Miltiadous

10:20 - 10:40 What to Do When There is No Genetic Diagnosis
Austen Worth

10:40 - 10:50 Q&A Session
10:50 - 11:20 Coffee Break

Session 4 | Secondary Immunodeficiency (SID)

11:20 - 11:40 Secondary Immunodeficiency: The Immunologist's Perspective
Susan Tadros

11:40 - 12:00 Biologics Causing Secondary Immunodeficiency
Siobhan Burns

12:00 - 12:20 SID in Transplantation
Andreas Soloukides

12:20 - 12:40 Secondary Immunodeficiency in Autoimmune Disease
Joseph Joseph

12:40 - 13:00 Q&A Session
13:00 - 14:00 Lunch break

Session 5 | Managing PID Together

14:00 - 14:20 **Introduction & Welcome to the Joint Session**
The Patient Perspective
Patient group representatives

14:20 - 14:50 Conservative Management of PID in Children and Adults
Austen Worth & Susan Tadros

14:50 - 15:10 Immunoglobulin Replacement Therapy: Who, When and How?
Carina Elvegaard (GOSH Nurse Specialist) & Rosa Villao (RFH Clinical Nurse Specialist)

15:10 - 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 - 15:50 Use of Targeted Therapies in PID,
Siobhan Burns

15:50 - 16:10 Curative Therapies for PID,
Austen Worth

16:10 - 16:40 Expert Round Table Discussion: Improving Access to Optimal Immunodeficiency Care in Cyprus
Speakers & Patient Group

16:40 - 16:45 *Closing Remarks, Siobhan Burns & Laura Koumas*

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