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09.30 - 10.05: Registration and Coffee, All posters for WSD/POD to be displayed, Visit sponsors

10.05 - 10.15: Welcome to the 20th anniversary of World Sight Day Celebration

Tunde Peto, Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology and Clinical Lead for DESPNI, QUB/BHSCT

10.15 - 11.30 The power of data in ophthalmology

Reports on Diabetic Eye Screening and treatment pathways from All-nations
Tunde Peto DESPNI; Helen Kavanagh, Rol; Samantha Creamer DESP Scotland; DESP
Wales; DESP England; Jersey and Guernsey

- Age-related retention and non-attendance in a two-year diabetic retinopathy screening pathway: five-year cohort results, Ruth McCarthy (ROI)
- Association between diabetic retinopathy grade and ocular comorbidities in people with diabetes aged 81-89 years, Max Kamalarajah (QUB, NI)
- Ocular co-morbidities in people with diabetes aged 80–89 attending Diabetic Eye Screening in Northern Ireland (NI), Josh Kamalarajah (QUB, NI)
- Investigating the influence of mydriasis on retinal image quality with conventional and handheld fundus cameras, S Pasari (UU, NI)
- Are refractive parameters associated with fundus features in white UK children and young adults? Mobashir Fatimah (UU, NI)
- An audit evaluating our management of patients presenting to eye casualty With idiopathic intracranial hypertension, Matthew Mo (NI)
- Assess DR Screening, problems & possible solutions, Sarah Hayes (ROI)

11.30 - 12.30: Tour around the world of eye care: Celebrating 20 years history of World Sight Day!

Learnings from Rwanda

Katherine McGinnity, BHSCT

- Glaucoma awareness and intraocular pressure screening using iCare in rural Rwanda, Victoria Stapley UU
- The Challenges of ophthalmology in an Indian hospital, Joseph Kennan (ROI)

The tale of two cities

Louise O'Toole, Dublin, (Rol)

- Screening for diabetic eye with foot complications in Eswatini, Ann Thomas (QUB, NI)

Rethinking refractive error programmes in LMICs: Beyond Glasses to Meaning Dr Ving Fai Chan. QUB

- Judging and validation of eye health education messages from animation and voice drama in Tanzania - Phase 2 and 3 of a participatory action research study, Haraburda, Asia (QUB, NI)
- Evaluation of school eye health programme in Petauke, Zambia, SP Srinivasan (QUB, NI)





































Northern Ireland – Tanzania links Nathan Gibson, NI; Sightsavers Tanzania

12.30 - 13.20: Lunch, poster viewing, visiting the sponsors and networking for WSD delegates

13.20 - 13.40: The UN Resolution on Vision and The Hamburg City Health Study
Tunde Peto, QUB and Ansgar Beuse, Hamburg, Germany

13.40 – 14.00 Hands on Training - The ORBIS way

Donal Brosnahan (Consultant Ophthalmologist)

14.00 - 14.30: Invited lecture: Eyes on the future: My journey from healthcare assistant to an

ophthalmic consultant nurse

Adam Mapani, MBE, First nurse consultant in ophthalmology, Moorfields Eye Hospital NHS

Foundation Trust, London, UK

14.30 – 14.50: Afternoon tea, poster viewing and visiting the sponsors

14.50 – 15.20: The importance of biomarkers in ophthalmic care

Imaging biomarkers for diabetic retinopathy and maculopathy

Maged Habib, Consultant Ophthalmologist and Vitreoretinal surgeon, Sunderland, UK

5 min including questions

- Effect of intraretinal cysts and outer retinal tubulations on the hyperreflective material in neovascular age-related macular degeneration: the 4T-Big Study, Maria Grazia Pignataro

- Intraretinal hyperreflective foci as predictors of progression to late age-related macular degeneration, Lajos Csincsik, (QUB, NI)

- Comparing the diagnostic value of visual field test locations for detecting early glaucomatous visual field loss in myopic and non-myopic eyes, Caitlín S. Campbell, Victoria Stapley, (UU, NI)

15.20 - 15.40: Visual field maps under fire: Gordon Holmes and The Irish Sense of Adventure

Sean Roe, Centre for Biomedical Sciences Education, QUB

15.40 - 15.50: Award winner of the day, joining the European WSD Celebrations and Close

Professor Tunde Peto, QUB

Please click on the link below to register:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/world-sight-day-2025-tickets-1365440371909?aff=oddtdtcreator

College of Optometrists Peer Review: Eligible Optometrists are invited from 16.30 – 18.00 Separate registration is required, please get in touch if you need the link, thank you!

See you all on the World Sight Day next year: 8th October 2026









