

(Practical dementia diagnosis and care)

Module 1: 26th & 27th of September 2024 - Halifax Hall, Sheffield

Pre-recorded sessions

Biology of neurodegeneration - basic protein misfolding
 Prof Peter Passmore, professor of ageing & geriatric medicine, Queen's University Belfast

Day 1: Thursday, 26th September 2024

09:00 Registration

09:30 Welcome and setting the scene

Prof Iracema Leroi, professor of geriatric psychiatry, Trinity College Dublin

- Housekeeping
- The changing landscape for dementia and brain health

09:50 Background and introduction to dementia

Dr George Crowther, consultant in old age liaison psychiatry, Leeds and York Partnership Foundation Trust

- What is SCI, MCI, dementia?
- Presentation of the clinical syndrome (preclinical/prodromal/dementia)
- Stages of dementia
- Epidemiology

11:00 Introduction to the neuropathology of dementia

Dr Liam Kennedy, senior registrar old age psychiatry, St. Vincent's Healthcare Group

- Neuropathology of neurodegeneration
- The new biological classification of Alzheimer's (added)
- Role of biomarkers and relation to underlying neuropathology

12:00 Lunch



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13:00 Diagnosis of typical and atypical clinical phenotypes (case-based)

All Faculty and room discussion

Table discussion, feedback, topic slides

- Subjective cognitive decline include new criteria and distinguishing from non degenerative Case: a middle-aged woman with no cognitive impairment and a family history of Alzheimer's disease
- Amnestic cognitive impairment (i.e. 'typical') presentation
 Dr Gregor Russell, consultant old age psychiatrist, Bradford District NHS Foundation Trust
- Non-amnestic cognitive impairment presentation
 Dr Dan Blackburn, senior lecturer and honorary consultant neurologist, Sheffield Institute for Translational Neuroscience
- Motor and cognitive impairment presentation
 Dr Adam Roche, geriatrics registrar and lecturer, Trinity College Dublin
- Language impairment predominant presentation
- Behaviour predominant presentation
 Prof Iracema Leroi
- 17:30 End of day round up Prof Iracema Leroi
- 17:40 Sessions closed
- 19:00 Pre-dinner drinks
- 19:30 Informal dinner and networking (dining room)



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Day 2: Friday, 27th September 2024

08:00 Registration

08:15 Welcome

Dr Gregor Russell

08:30 Management across the lifespan of cognitive neurodegeneration - exploring cases

1. Pre-symptomatic case: what are the risk factors for dementia and what evidence supports prevention?

Case: 58 year old woman, ApoE4 positive, mother and sister have Alzheimer's disease

2. Symptomatic therapy case 1: early-stage cognitive impairment

Case: 67 year old retired man with early memory and cognitive changes

Dr Gregor Russell

- New and future therapies for Alzheimer's disease
- 3. Symptomatic therapy case 1: typical amnestic Alzheimer's

Case: 78 year old woman, becoming more forgetful

Prof Iracema Leroi

10:30 Refreshments

4. Symptomatic case 2: Parkinson's disease dementia / Lewy body dementia

Case: 67 yr old man diagnosed with MCI who develops orthostatic hypotension and RBS

Dr Adam Roche

5. Symptomatic case 3: language dominant dementia

Dr Dan Blackburn

6. Symptomatic case 3: BPSD mini-cases

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13:30	Cognitive	assessment

15:00 Fluid biomarkers

Dr Adam Roche

15:30 Introduction to neuroimaging

Dr Dan Blackburn

- How to interpret vascular scans
- Amyloid PET
- DAT

16:00 Refreshments

16:15 Quality improvement project introduction

Prof Iracema Leroi

16:45 Closing remarks

17:00 End of day & depart