Cancer Research Wales Brain Tumour Conference

19th September 2025 Sophia Gardens Cricket Ground	
8.00 - 9.00	Arrival & Coffee
9.00 - 9.10	Opening Statements - James Powell & Adam Fletcher
9.10 - 9.20	Address by Julie Morgan MS
	Session 1 Chairs: Florian Siebzehrubl & Emily Bates
9.20 - 10.10	Prof Frederik de Smet - KU Leuven, Netherlands Dissecting brain tumors using patient-derived models, single-cell profiling and spatial multiomics
10.10 - 10.40	Flash talks (8 minutes + 2 minutes Q&A)
	Mathew Clement Manipulating T-cell immune responses to improve anti-glioblastoma immunity
	Eleonora Patitucci Advanced MRI techniques highlight distinct vascular characteristic across glioma subtypes
	Jennifer Golten UK radiotherapy practice for oligodendroglioma – data from the APPROACH trial radiotherapy quality assurance programme
10.40 - 11.20	Coffee break & poster session
	Session 2 Chairs: James Powell & Marco Palombo
11.20 - 11.30	Address by representatives from Tessa Jowell Brain Cancer Mission
11.30 - 12.20	Prof Harpreet Hyare - University College London, UK From Images to Insights: Modelling Glioma Resistance with MRI
12.20 - 12.40	Flash talks (8 minutes + 2 minutes Q&A)
	Emily Bates Targeting glioblastoma with precision adenoviral therapies
	Stephanie Sivell Developing a core patient-focused outcome set to support care in glioma: a

study protocol for the COMBaT study

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12.40 - 12.50 Kathy Seddon

PPI in brain tumour research

12.50 - 14.10 Lunch & poster session

Session 3

Chairs: Ben Newland & Eleonora Patitucci

14.10 - 15.00 Prof Bjarne Kristensen - Copenhagen University & BRIC, Denmark
Genomic heterogeneity drives distinct infiltration patterns in glioblastoma

15.00 - 15.30 Flash talks (8 minutes + 2 minutes Q&A)

Ayesha Begum

Investigating the role of FGFR3 expression in glioblastoma stem cells, using an in vitro culture system for cellular quiescence

Sahar Iqbal

Hippocampal dosimetry and neurocognitive function in patients undergoing stereotactic radiosurgery

Harsh Bhatt

Telomere dysfunction and fusions in glioblastoma – defining prognosis and genome instability

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break & poster session

16.00-16.30 Dr Matthew Williams - Imperial College London, UK

Tumour-Treating Fields: From Evidence to Practice

16.30 - 16.40 Awarding of Prizes

16.40 - 16.45 Closing Statements - Florian Siebzehrubl & Chris Fegan

16.45 - 18.00 Drinks reception



