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IAPS MEETING 2024



UNIVERSITY OF GALWAY MAY 16/17

Thursday, 16 May 2024

Training Day ILAS Building, University of Galway

08:30–09:00	Registration and Coffee
09:00–09:15	Opening of Irish Association of Plastic Surgery Meeting Professor Michael Kerin , Head of Department of Surgery, University of Galway and incoming President, RCSI.
09:30–10:50	Research Presentations Morning Research Session 1 Chairs Ms Marlese Dempsey and Ms Catherine De Blacam.
09:30–09:40	O1: DR GEARY The MISHAP Trial: Managing Injuries - a Study of Hand Appearance and Psychosocial Dysfunction. Roisin Dolan et al, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
09:40–09:50	O2: DR WILKINSON Cervical Spine Positioning Patterns Amongst Hand Surgeons: A Critical Analysis of Surgical Postures. Roisin Dolan et al, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
09:50–10:00	O3: DR STEPHANIE BOLLARD An Analysis of Factors affecting 30-day Post-Operative Outcomes in Cleft Palate Surgery. Catherine De Blacam et al, CHI Hospital, Dublin.
10:00–10:10	O4: DR ANGELA CANAS Frailty in Melanoma Patients. Jack Kelly et al, Galway University Hospital, Galway.
10:10–10:20	O5: DR PJ O'DONOGHUE Long-term Evaluation of Abdominoplasty: A Retrospective Chart Review and Survey Analysis Including PROM's. Jack Kelly et al, Galway University Hospital, Galway.

- 10:20-10:30 **O6: DR DAIRE GOODMAN**
Trainee Perspectives on Aesthetic Surgery as part of the Intercollegiate Training Curriculum. Kenny Joyce et al, Galway University Hospital, Galway.
- 10:30-10:40 **O7: DR MILLING**
Antibiotic prophylaxis in an Orthoplastic limb trauma service: deviation from the BOA/BAPRAS standards for open fractures in an evolving Major Trauma Centre. Christine Quinlan et al, Mater University Hospital, Dublin.
- 10:40-10:50 **O8: DR MILLING**
Patterns of orthoplastic clinical activity and compliance with the BOA/BAPRAS standards for open fractures in the early phase of an evolving Major Trauma Centre. Christine Quinlan et al, Mater University Hospital, Dublin.
- 10:50-11:15 **Coffee**
- 11:15– 12:55 **Research Presentations Morning Research Session 2
Chairs Andrew Diver and Barry O’Sullivan**
- 11:15-11:25 **O9: DR NOLAN**
Cutaneous melanoma of the head and neck – a systematic review of resection margins. Shirley Potter et al, Mater University Hospital, Dublin.
- 11:25-11:35 **O10: DR QUIRKE**
Validation of Predictive Nomograms for Sentinel Node Positivity in Malignant Melanoma: Insights from an Irish Cohort. Shirley Potter et al, Mater University Hospital, Dublin.
- 11:35-11:45 **O11: DR QUIRKE**
Patient reported outcome measures for perineal reconstruction following surgery for colorectal cancer: a scoping review. Shirley Potter et al, Mater University Hospital, Dublin.
- 11:45-11:55 **O12: DR O'BRIEN**
A retrospective cross sectional analysis of delirium in burns compared to other surgical specialities. Fiona Wood et al, Perth, Western Australia.

- 11:55-12:05 **O13: DR CIARAN HURLEY**
Training Surgeons in Real-Time Complex Microvascular Reconstructive Techniques: Do patient Outcome Differ in the Hand of the Novice versus the Master?. Barry O’Sullivan et al, Beaumont, Mater, St James’s Hospitals and RCSI Dublin.
- 12:05-12:15 **O14: DR MCCARRICK**
A Retrospective Cohort Study of the Timing and Outcomes of Surgical Tracheostomy placement in the National Burns Unit from 2011 to 2024 Odhran Shelley et al, St James’s Hospital, Dublin and TCD.
- 12:15-12:25 **O15: DR DERKSEN**
Biodegradable Tempourising Matrix in Complex Wound Reconstruction: A Systematic Review of the Literature and Meta-Analysis Jim Clover et al, Cork University Hospital and UCC.
- 12:25-12:35 **O16: DR BAKER**
“Out-Running the Sun”; An Analysis of Skin Cancer Risk, Awareness and Protection Use amongst Irish Athletic Athletes. O’Donovan et al, UCC.
- 12:35-12:45 **O17: DR McMAHON**
The PENN Criteria: A Diagnostic Algorithm in the Detection of Acral Melanoma. Roisin Dolan et al, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
- 12:45-12:55 **O18: DR O'BRIEN**
Dupuytren’s Disease (DD): WNT4 knockdown in normal skin fibroblasts leads to ‘DD-like’ changes in the transcriptome Dr Fear et al, Perth, Western Australia.
- 13:00-14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00-15:30 **Cases Presentations from 7 Academic Units
Session 1 – Chair Prof Roisin Dolan.**
- 14:00-14:12 **Dr Natasha Christodoulides** Galway University Hospital
Lower Limb reconstruction post sarcoma surgery to the ankle .

14:12-14:24	Dr Aileen Egan Cork University Hospital An unresectable BCC- Are we heading in the right direction?
14:24-14:36	Dr A Lucey Mater University Hospital Traumatic double major limb amputations
14:36-14:48	Dr Donal Murphy Beaumont University Hospital Pedicled ALT for reconstruction of perineal hernia post previous anoperineal resection.
14:48-15:00	Dr Shane Cullen St Vincent's University Hospital Immediate Lymphatic Reconstruction with Multiple Lympho-venous Anastomoses for Prevention of Lymphoedema after axillary Lymph node clearance for breast cancer.
15:00-15:12	Dr M Murphy St James's University Hospital Management of Heterotopic Ossification at the Elbow Joint Following a Major Burn.
15:12-15:24	Dr Shane Carr Children's Hospital, Ireland Scincipital Encephalocele – Surgical Reconstruction a Case Report and illustration.
15:30-16:00	Training in 2024 – Professor Anto O'Regan , National Director of Training, RCPI.
16:00-16:30	Coffee and SPR Discussion with Trainers and Flap Database. Mr Barry O'Sullivan, Prof Shirley Potter and Training Committee.
16:30-18:30	Business Meeting – Full Members. ILAS Building, University of Galway
20:00-Late	IAPS Dinner – Hardiman Hotel, Eyre Square, Galway

Friday, 17 May 2024

Main Meeting ILAS Building, University of Galway

08:30–09:00	Registration and Coffee
	Morning Session 1 – Chair Ms Patricia Eadie
09:15-09:45	Mr Ger Kelly , Consultant Plastic Surgeon, Galway University Hospital. My Fellowship Experience in Norfolk
09:45-10:15	Ms Maire Caitlin Casey , Consultant Plastic Surgeon, Galway University Hospital. My Fellowship Experience in London.
10:15-10:45	Mr Eamon Francis . Consultant Plastic Surgeon, St James's Hospital. Head and Neck Reconstruction
10:45-11:00	Coffee
	Morning Session 2 – Chair Mr Peter Meagher
11:00-11:20	Mr Alan Hussey , Perioperative Clinical Director, Galway University Hospital. Clinical Leadership in a Public Hospital.
11:20 – 12:05	Guest Presentation - Mr Kevin Brady . Leadership Skills
12:05 – 12:20	Presentation to Mr Denis Lawlor
12:25 – 12:40	Presentation to Mr Jack McCann
12:40 – 12: 55	Presentation to Mr TPF O'Connor
12:55- 13:00	Presentation of Gerry Edwards Prize Best Research Paper IAPS 2024 Sponsored by Challenge Healthcare

13:00- 13:05

Presentation of **Best Poster Prize IAPS 2024**
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13:05- 13:15

The Inaugural Presentation of The David O'Donovan Prize for IAPS Plastic Surgery SPR of the Year 2024
by Dr Donough O'Donovan,
Consultant Paediatrician,
Galway University Hospital.
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13:15 – 13:25

Close of Meeting

Posters

Posters will be judged by Ms Christine Quinlan

- P1** The rubber band and vaccum assisted closure approach to wound complications following cosmetic tourism.
Conor McCartney, Safwat Ibrahim.
Beaumont Hospital, Dublin .
- P2** Secondary Healing over Novosorb™ BTM in the Management of Complex Nasal Defects.
Mary Ellen McMahon , Safwat Ibrahim.
Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
- P3** Clinical Audit on Paediatric Burns: Enhancing Assessment and Documentation Practices.
Carson McFeetors, PJ O'Donoghue, Jack Kelly.
Galway University Hospital.
- P4** NCCP 2023 Proposed Guidelines on the Staging & Surveillance of Melanoma: Implications for Future Service Modelling.
Aileen O'Shea, Barry O'Sullivan, Fiachra Martin, Róisín Dolan
Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
- P5** Tumour Profiling in Cutaneous Squamous Cell Carcinoma affecting Solid Organ Transplant Recipients: A Systematic Review.
William Murray, Ms Emma O'Hora, Dr Christian Gulmann, Mr Barry O'Sullivan, Prof Rosin Dolan.
Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
- P6** HAND ELEVATION COMPLIANCE RATES FOR HAND TRAUMA AND HAND INFECTION PATIENTS, A CLOSED LOOP AUDIT.
Satya Chintapalli, Eimear Phoenix, Lo Ta Ya Soe
St. Vincent's University Hospital.
- P7** The Quality and Readability of Online Information Related to Body Contouring Surgery Post Massive Weight Loss compared to CHAT GPT.
Emer Phoenix E 1,2, Curran S1,3, McMahon ME1,3, Dolan RT 1,3
1. Royal College of Surgeons, St Stephen's Green, Dublin, Ireland
2. St Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin, Ireland
3. Beaumont University Hospital, Dublin, Ireland

- P8** Surgical Waste in Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery
Muireann Keating¹, Catherine de Blacam^{1,2,3}
¹Department of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin
²Department of Paediatrics, Trinity College Dublin
³Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
- P9** Paediatric Facial Injuries Related to E-scooter Accidents: A Case Series
Muireann Keating¹, Aine Cotter¹, Catherine de Blacam^{1,2,3}
¹Department of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin
²Department of Paediatrics, Trinity College Dublin
³Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
- P10** A comparison of two commonly employed methods of cooling and preserving amputated digits using an animal model
Canas-Martinez A, Kelly E.J.
 Plastic Surgery Department, Cork University Hospital.
- P11** The establishment of a new plastic surgery case registry, the Cork experience
Kapoor D, Beecher S, Clover A.J.P, Kelly E.J
 Department of Plastic Surgery, Cork University Hospital.
- P12** Unveiling the Masquerade: Systemic Sarcoidosis Mimicking as Metastatic Melanoma – A Case Report
Shu Ying Chee, Dáire Goodman, Jack Kelly
 Department of Plastic Surgery, Galway University Hospital.
- P13** Intraneural Ganglion Cyst: Unveiling A Rare Phenomenon - A Case Report
Jing Er Low, Shu Ying Chee, Angela Canas-Martinez, Jack Kelly
 Department of Plastic Surgery, Galway University Hospital.
- P14** The Wide-Awake Approach to Dupuytren's Disease – Outcomes and Perspectives
Laoise Kenny, N. Christodoulides, B. O'Ceallaigh, A. Hussey, K. Joyce, T. Qayyum, N. McInerney
 Plastic Surgery Department, Galway University Hospital, Galway, Republic of Ireland & Med Aesthetics, Galway Plastic Surgery,

- P15** Galway, Republic of Ireland
 Optimising Hemimandibular Reconstruction: Integrating Condylar Head Prosthesis with Microvascular Free Fibula Flap for Enhanced Function and Aesthetic Outcome
Shane Carr, Jennifer McGarry, Ellen Geary, Fergal O'Duffy, Shirley Potter
 Mater Misericordiae University Hospital
- P16** Does Time to Definitive Treatment Have Influence on the Clinical Outcomes of Open Hand Injuries? a Systematic Review
Shu Ying Chee, Christine Quinlan
 Galway University Hospital, Dublin, Ireland & Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin, Ireland.
- P17** Managing Rheumatological Hand Disease: A Multidisciplinary Approach
Ellen Geary, Christine Quinlan
 Mater Misericordiae University Hospital
- P18** Who's got the power? A study of hand surgeons' knowledge of powertools and their predominant injury pattern
A Kenny(1), E Geary(2), R Milling(2), P Wrafter(2), K Cronin(2), G Colgan(2), C Quinlan(2)
 1. St.James's Hospital, James' street, Dublin 8, Ireland
 2. Department of Plastic Surgery, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Eccles Street, Dublin 7, Ireland
- P19** A modification of the Keystone design perforator island flap in vulvo-perineal reconstruction following vulvectomy
Áine Lucey, Aisling McDonnell, Tom Walsh, Richard Hanson
 Mater Misericordiae University Hospital.
- P20** The use of Assisted Reality in Facial Reconstructive Surgery: A Pilot Project using Paramedian Forehead Flaps
Áine Lucey, Roisin Jordan, Madison Hawk, Moya Rothwell and Robert Caulfield
 Mater Misericordiae University Hospital.
- P21** Investigating causes of recurrence of Dupuytren's Disease in a postoperative wound setting.
Aoife O'Brien, Fiona Wood,
 Burns Injury research Unit (BIRU), University of Western Australia

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Hydrogen fluoride gas inhalation injury following lithium-ion battery fire.

Sharon Kennedy, M. Murphy, M. Abrahams, O. Shelley
National Burns Unit, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, St. James's Hospital, James's Street, Dublin 8.

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Versatility of reverse homodigital island flaps in plastic surgery
Conor McCartney, O. Shelley
National Burns Unit, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, St. James's Hospital, James's Street, Dublin 8.

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Use of Validated tools and PROMs in assessment of burn reconstruction + outcomes
M. Murphy, Sharon Kennedy, M O'Donnell, O. Shelley
National Burns Unit, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, St. James's Hospital, James's Street, Dublin 8.

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INCREASING USE OF BTM IN THE NATIONAL BURNS UNIT
Aine Cotter, O. Shelley
National Burns Unit, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, St. James's Hospital, James's Street, Dublin 8.

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Nail Gun Injury to the Hand and Wrist: A Systematic Literature Review.
Satya Chintapalli, Eimear Phoenix, Shane Cullen, Roisin Dolan
St Vincent's University Hospital Dublin

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Subacute Treatment of Soft-Tissue Injuries following the Beirut Ammonium Nitrate Blast
Yasmina Richa 1, James Clover 2
1. School of Medicine, University College Cork, Cork, Ireland
2. Department of Plastic, Reconstructive and Burns Surgery, Cork University Hospital, Cork, Ireland

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High Frequency Electroporation and Chemotherapy for the treatment of Cutaneous Malignancies: Proof of concept study and evaluation of midterm outcomes
Ciara Walsh 1, Phoebe Lyons 1, Dana Polini 2, Kate Russell-Ryan 3, A. James P. Clover 1,4
1. Department of Plastic Surgery, Cork University Hospital, T12 DC4A Cork, Ireland.
2. School of Medicine, University College Cork, T12 YN60 Cork,

Ireland.

3. Mirai Medical, H91 P5PH Oranmore, Ireland.
4. Cancer Research@UCC, University College Cork, T12 YN60 Cork, Ireland.

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Investigating causes of recurrence of Dupuytren's Disease in a postoperative wound setting
Aoife O'Brien, Stevenson A2, Barrett L2, Hortin N2, Quondamatteo F1, Wood F2, Mark Fea
1 RCSI, Dublin 2, Ireland, 2 Burns Injury research Unit (BIRU), University of Western Australia

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Audit of adherence to fluid management guidelines for paediatric resuscitation burns
Aoife Feeley^{1,2}, Stephanie Bollard¹, Muireann Keating¹, Catherine de Blacam^{1,2,3}
¹Department of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin
²Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
³Department of Paediatrics, Trinity College Dublin

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The Impact of Delays in Unilateral Breast Reconstruction on Thoracolumbar Spine Alignment: An Area of Urgent Focus for Reconstructive Surgeons.
Mr. Sean Curran^{1,2}, Mr. Rhys Van der Rijt², Mr. Jake Mc Donnell^{1,3}, Prof. Joseph Butler^{1,3}, Prof. Roisin Dolan^{1,2}, Mr. Jamie Martin-Smith^{1,2}.
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2. Department of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
3. National Spinal Injury Unit, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, Dublin.

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Blood Ordering in Plastic Surgery: Are we bleeding the system?
Shane Carr¹, G.Fenn¹, N.Hayes², R.Hanson¹
1. Department of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital Dublin
2. Department of Anesthesia, Mater Misericordiae University Hospital Dublin.

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A CASE OF ELEPHANTIASIS NOSTRAS VERRUCOSA IN A LOWER LIMB
Rachel Enright¹, Heffron C.² Dorairaj JJ¹
1. Plastic Surgery Department, Cork University Hospital

- P34** 2. Pathology Surgery Department, Cork University Hospital
An evaluation of a novel dermal matrix substitute in plastic and reconstructive surgery
Ailís O'Sullivan, Mr. Seán O'Sullivan, Mr. Jason Kelly, Mr. Eoin O'Broin, Ms. Jemima Dorairaj, Prof. James Clover
Department of Plastic, Reconstructive and Burns Surgery, Cork University Hospital, Cork, Ireland.
- P35** Enhanced Recovery and Reduced Opioid Consumption with Direct Vision Transverse Abdominal Plane and Subcostal blocks in DIEAP flap Breast Reconstruction
Shane Cullen, Hashem S1, Phoenix E1, O'Donohue P1, Suwanwalaikorn V1, Morrison C1
1. Department of Plastics and Reconstructive Surgery, St. Vincent's University Hospital
- P36** The microbial aetiology and resistance patterns of cosmetic tourism infections in Ireland.
Andrew Keane, Aoife Feeley, Joanne O' Gorman, Eoghan O' Neill, Kevin Cahill
Connolly Hospital Blanchardstown and Beaumont Hospital, Dublin.
- P37** Microbiological profile of paediatric burns before and after the COVID-19 pandemic
Aoife Feeley^{1,2}, Niamh O'Sullivan³, Catherine de Blacam^{1,2,4}
¹Department of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin
²Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
³Department of Microbiology, Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin
⁴Department of Paediatrics, Trinity College Dublin
- P38** Use of Validated tools and PROMs in assessment of burn reconstruction + outcomes
Sharon Kennedy, O. Shelley
National Burns Unit, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, St. James's Hospital, James's Street, Dublin 8.
- P39** Early Biodegradable Temporising Matrix delamination and split thickness grafting following breast pyoderma gangrenosum: A case report.
Conor McCartney, Jamie Martin-Smith
Beaumont Hospital, Dublin

IAPS May 2024 – Speakers and Invited Guests

Dear all,

I would like to welcome you to this years Irish Association of Plastic Surgeons meeting at the University of Galway. Our Association has grown significantly over the last number of years and we are delighted to welcome new members and established colleagues to the City of the Tribes.

Fourteen families (or tribes) once dominated the political, commercial, and social life of Galway City but this has now changed to a multicultural, vibrant city with particular expertise in medical device technology. Some of the largest pharmaceutical and medical device companies in the world are located in Galway with many using the city as their European headquarters. These companies have established links to The University, R&D institutions and helped create an economy with a distinct identity.

This years meeting of The Irish Association of Plastic Surgeons has attracted over 60 abstract submissions and case presentations with guest speakers from Ireland and the United Kingdom. We are delighted to recognise a number of colleagues who contributed to the early foundation of our Association and we believe that the programme highlights the particular expertise within our surgical specialty.

I wish you all an enjoyable stay in Galway and hope that you get an opportunity to visit the various attractions in the city.

Jack Kelly
President IAPS.



Professor Michael Kerin

Michael Kerin is Chair of Surgery at the University of Galway and Director of the Cancer Managed Clinical Academic Network (MCAN) for Saolta University Health Care Group.

As Consultant Surgeon he has a special interest in breast and endocrine cancer. He is Research Director of the National Breast Cancer Research Institute, Principal Investigator with the SFI funded Precision Oncology Ireland, the All Island Cancer Research Institute (AICRI) and co-investigator of numerous other collaborative cancer research initiatives.

Professor Kerin's research interests include molecular profiling in cancer, cancer risk prediction and innovative methods for breast cancer diagnosis and management.

Scopus Profile: <https://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.uri?authorId=26631163000>



Prof Anthony O'Regan

Professor Anthony O'Regan is Dean of the Institute of Medicine, RCPI. A Consultant in Respiratory and Internal Medicine in University Hospital Galway, Professor O'Regan is the Chief Academic Officer for Saolta University Healthcare Group and an Honorary Professor of Medicine at the National University of Ireland, Galway. He is chair the Ministerial Taskforce on NCHD workforce. Professor O'Regan graduated from University College Dublin in 1990. He completed postgraduate training at the Medical College of Wisconsin and Boston University School of Medicine. In addition to holding Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, Professor O'Regan is American board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, Critical Care Medicine, and Allergy and Immunology, and is a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians. He was conferred with an MD doctorate from UCD in 2003 and has received several distinguished teaching awards in both Ireland and the USA. He is a past President of the Irish Thoracic Society and chair the Ministerial Taskforce on NCHD workforce.



Mr Kevin Brady

With over 25 years of operational leadership experience in the pharmaceutical industry, Kevin has led organisational teams in Ireland and internationally. Kevin recognises that the leadership paradigm is changing with employees requiring a deeper connection and engagement to their leader and to the purpose of their organisation.



Leadership Speaker & Founder of "Performance Unlocked Ltd." Kevin is passionate about the leadership identification and development process for the future of work in this environment. Throughout his career, Kevin has found consistency in the challenges that new and emerging leaders meet when promoted into roles with increasing levels of responsibility.

Kevin Brady has identified that the roles that leaders now play in organisations have radically changed from a command and control model to a commitment culture in which the human connection between employees and their leader will fundamentally determine the success of organisations.

Kevin believes the role of a leader is to connect at a human level with their team members and develop those team members to maximise their potential and their contributions to the organisation he believes that the deeper and more authentic these relationships are the more meaningful the work will be for employees and the higher the impact that employee will have within the organisation.

Through his own operational experience of leading organisations internationally Kevin has developed a unique approach to deepening the human connection between the employee and their leader. He has seen first-hand the impact that this type of human connection can have on the success of an organisation. Kevin is an ICF-certified coach and in his work as founder of "Performance Unlocked Ltd" Kevin works with individuals, teams, and Organisations to unlock their full performance potential.

Topics

Kevin engages with mid and senior-level leadership roles across a variety of organisations and works to deepen the connections between employees

and their leaders. Kevin achieves this to the development and deployment of bespoke offerings tailored to meet the ever changing needs of each organisation.

- Organisational performance diagnostic tool
- Bespoke leadership development programs to deepen the relationships between leaders and their team members tailored based on the findings of an organisational diagnostic.
- 1:1 leadership coaching
- 1:1 High potential leadership development programs aimed at identifying and equipping new and emerging leaders with authentic leadership skills
- Deepening the human connections between employees and their leaders
- The post-Pandemic Leader- What's changed and what's not
- The leaders' role in creating a high-performance culture
- How to create a deeper sense of connection to your team
- The listening Leader: The power of listening in organisation
- The role of Psychological Safety in building a high-performance culture
- Leaders for the 2030's- What will be required of the leaders of tomorrow?

Mr Gerard Kelly

Mr Gerard Kelly graduated from NUI Galway in 2014 and obtained his Masters in Surgery in 2015. He completed his surgical training in 2024 prior to commencing a locum consultant post in University Hospital Galway for a 6 month period. He is currently completing a microsurgical reconstruction fellowship in the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital, gaining experience in both ablative and reconstructive head and neck surgery, breast, perineal and lower limb reconstruction. He is due to return to post in Galway following this.



Ms Maire-Caitlin Casey

Ms Maire-Caitlin Casey graduated from NUI Galway in 2011. She completed her PhD in the Lambe Institute of Translational research, Galway, assessing novel mechanisms for neoadjuvant chemotherapeutic response monitoring in breast cancer, before completing her higher surgical training with the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland in 2023. She then pursued her interest in microsurgical reconstruction by completing a year's fellowship in the Royal Marsden Hospital in London, gaining experience in breast, perineal, thoracic and sarcoma reconstruction. During this time, she also gained experience in cosmetic surgery of the breast by working in The London Clinic, King Edward VIIth Hospital and the Harley Street Clinic. She was appointed Locum Consultant in the Royal Marsden Hospital, where she worked for the following year, until taking up a consultancy post in University Hospital Galway, where she currently works.



Mr Eamon Francis

Mr Eamon Francis, graduated from Trinity College Dublin in 2010 with an honours degree and the Seton-Pringle prize in Surgery. He completed his internship in St James Hospital, followed by his Basic Surgical training in Dublin, and subsequently finished his specialist training in Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery in 2021.

He undertook an International Clinical Reconstructive Microsurgical fellowship under the supervision of Professor Fu-Chan Wei in Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Taiwan, where he also completed a Master's degree in Microsurgery. Consequently he completed a second fellowship in Clinical Reconstructive Microsurgery in Newcastle upon Tyne hospitals Trust under the mentorship of Mr Maniram Ragbir. He was a Consultant Plastic Surgeon providing specialist Head and Neck Reconstruction and Facial Reanimation in Guys and St Thomas hospitals in London, the United Kingdom, before return to his post in St James University Hospital in Dublin.



Tom (TPF) O'Connor

Mr Tom O'Connor graduated from University College Cork and went on to pursue higher surgical training in plastic surgery. He became senior registrar at Frenchay Hospital, Bristol and specialised in surgery for cleft lip and palate repair. After his return to Cork, Mr O'Connor set up the cleft service and worked with Mr Cal Condon to develop the trauma service based in the accident and emergency department at Cork University Hospital. He is a former president of the Irish Association of plastic surgeons and intercollegiate Examiner. Mr O'Connor was chairman of the JCIE section for plastic surgery and chairman of the board for the intercollegiate plastic surgery exams. He was a full member of the British Association of plastic reconstructive and aesthetic surgeons throughout his career. He retired from active surgical practice 20 years ago and his hobbies include shooting and spending time with his family in West Cork.



Dr Donough O'Donovan

Dr Donough O'Donovan was Appointed Consultant Neonatologist/General Paediatrician, Galway University Hospital from September 2004 after Fellowship Training in Neonatology (1996-1999) at Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, USA. He was Assistant Director of the Neonatal Chronic Care Unit at Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas, USA from 2003-2004. He completed his General Paediatric Training (July 1992-1996) in Our Lady's Hospital for sick Children, Crumlin, Dublin and the National Maternity Hospital, Dublin.



Dr O'Donovan attended the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland from 1984-1990. He is a Member of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (Paediatrics) 1995 and Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (FRCPI) since 2004.

He is also Director of the Neonatal Unit, Galway Hospital, 2005-2011 and from 2014 –present. He was Clinical Lead in Neonatology, Saolta, University Health Care Group from 2015-2020.

He was also Clinical Director of The Women & Children's Directorate in Galway University Hospital from 2008-2012 and Honorary Secretary, Irish Perinatal Society from 2010-2012.

Mr Jack McCann

Jack McCann. Born in Rush, Co. Dublin, Ireland, Jack McCann is a retired Plastic Surgeon living in Co. Galway in the West of Ireland and was on the European Board of Plastic Surgery. Jack was an intercollegiate Examiner in plastic surgery for many years and former president of the Irish Association of plastic surgeons. He was also Galway man of the year while working as a consultant plastic surgeon in Galway University Hospital and recognised for his charitable work during his many visits to Tirana, Albania.



Some of his poetry is inspired by his Medical work in Ireland, Albania and Kosovo. Been writing seriously for the past ten years and attends The Writer's Res in Spiddal (Maire Holmes) and Oughterard Writers Group (Pete Mullineaux). Has published three collections of poetry, Turning on a Sixpence in 2011, Escaped Thoughts in 2012 and The Child Grows Up in 2013. He is included in four anthologies, Off the Cuff (KARA) in 2012, Oughterard Voices in 2013, Whispering Trees (KARA) in 2015, By the Lake (Oughterard) in 2016 and Shadows (Oughterard) in 2018. He has written plays and is currently finishing a novel.

Mr Alan Hussey

Alan Hussey is a Consultant Plastic Surgeon at Galway University Hospital and Clinical Director of the Perioperative Managed Clinical Academic Network (MCAN) for Saolta University Health Care Group.

He has a special interest in microvascular reconstruction after mastectomy, and head and neck ablation.

He is an Honorary Senior Lecturer with the Division of Surgery at University of Galway, with an interest in surgical simulation. He is an Intercollegiate Examiner for the FRCS (Plast) examination with JCIE.



Mr Denis Lawlor

Mr. Denis Lawlor is a co-founder and ex-chairman of the Irish Association of Plastic Surgeons (IAPS). He is also the co-founder and ex-president of the Irish Hand Surgery Society (IHSS).



Following his appointment in 1984 as Consultant Plastic Surgeon in Dr. Steeven's hospital, James Connolly Memorial hospital and the Mater hospital he took a keen interest in teaching, training, and expanding the specialty so that more consultants were available to treat the public. He established, what was at that time, the National Laser Surgery Unit at St. James Hospital.

He was the RCSI representative on the Special Advisory Committee for the UK and Ireland, overseeing surgical training standards. Mr. Lawlor has trained in the Microsurgery Research Centre at St. Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne, Australia (now known as the Bernard O'Brien Institute of Microsurgery) and worked in the Wellington Hospital, London.

Mr David O'Donovan Prize

Plastic surgeons around the world are paying tribute to David O'Donovan, MD, Dublin, Ireland, who passed away March 15 2023. He was 55.



"David was an excellent surgeon – idolized by his patients and hugely respected by his colleagues and trainees," says Sean Carroll, MD, president of the Irish Association of Plastic Surgeons (IAPS). "He enjoyed a wide range of friends from his school days, medical school and his time as a Fellow in Toronto and Miami. He was an excellent golfer, a socialite in the best way, a rugby enthusiast and a well-rounded person. Everyone who knew him will miss him dearly. Suaimhneas síoari da anam. (Let his soul rest in peace)."

Mr. O'Donovan specialized in pediatric plastic surgery, ear reconstruction, breast reconstruction, skin cancer reconstruction and aesthetic surgery. He worked as a consultant plastic surgeon and held posts at St. James Hospital in Dublin and Children's Health Ireland at Crumlin.

Plastic surgeons around the world are paying tribute to ASPS International Member David O'Donovan, MD, Dublin, Ireland, who passed away March 15. He was 55.

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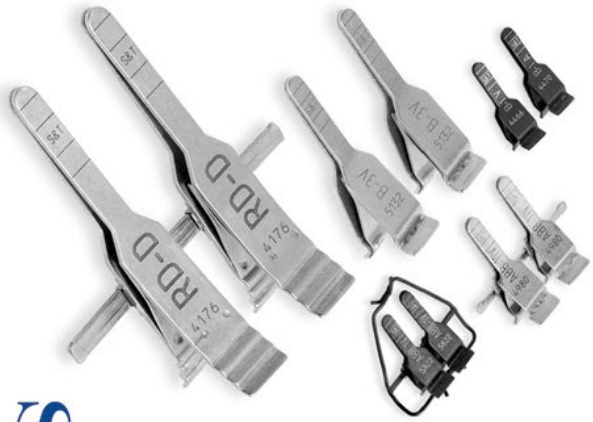
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