

# Speakers



## Gavin Giovannoni

Chair of Neurology, Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry, UK

Gavin Giovannoni's research is focused on Epstein-Barr virus as a possible cause of MS, MS-related neurodegeneration, biomarker discovery, MS clinical outcome measures, MS clinical trials and immune tolerance strategies.



## Jennifer Graves

Director of the University of California San Diego Neuro-Immunology Research Program, CA, USA

Jennifer Graves' research includes the development of next-generation digital tools to assess neurological patients, leveraging sensors developed in the computer control industry as well as novel applications in mobile technology.



## Reem Bunyan

Consultant Neurologist, National Lead, Chronic Disease System of Care, Vision Realization Office, Ministry of Health, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Reem Bunyan is an expert in paediatric MS. She previously studied at the Mayo Clinic, USA, where she completed a clinical fellowship in MS and autoimmune neurology.



## Maria Pia Amato

Professor of Neurology and Director of the Neurological Rehabilitation Unit and responsible for the Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Center at the Department of Neurosciences, Careggi University Hospital - University of Florence/IRCCS Don Carlo Gnocchi Foundation, Florence, Italy

Maria Pia Amato is actively involved in translational research on MS and has published nearly 260 papers in peer-reviewed journals. Her specific research focuses on clinical epidemiology, treatment and neuropsychology of MS.



## Brenda Banwell

Chief of Child Neurology and Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, PA, USA

Brenda Banwell's clinical and research focus is paediatric MS, and she leads a 24-site North American prospective study of clinical outcomes, genetics, immunology and neuroimaging features of MS in children. Dr Banwell has more than 200 manuscripts published in high-impact journals, as well as 11 book chapters.



## Tanuja Chitnis

Director of the Partners Pediatric Multiple Sclerosis Center at the Massachusetts General Hospital, and Director of the CLIMB Natural History study at the Partners MS Center, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA, USA

Tanuja Chitnis is a Professor of Neurology at Harvard Medical School, USA. Her research focuses on studying predictors and modulators of disease course of MS patients of all ages, including clinical and neuroimaging features as well as immunological and hormonal markers.



## Yael Hacohen

NIHR Academic Clinical Lecturer in Paediatric Neurology at University College London and Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, UK

Yael Hacohen's main research interest is the role of antibodies in paediatric central nervous system disorders, particularly acquired demyelinating syndromes.



## Saúl Reyes Niño

Clinical Fellow, Blizard Institute at Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry, UK

Saúl Reyes Niño completed his MD at the Universidad de los Andes, Colombia and was the winner of theECTRIMS Clinical Training Fellowship 2018.



## Cheryl Hemingway

Consultant Paediatric Neurologist at Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, UK.

Cheryl Hemingway established the Demyelinating Disease service at Great Ormond Street Hospital and now runs one of the largest clinics in the country for children with MS and other rare demyelinating disorders.



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