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MEET THE SPEAKERS



Professor Peter Johnson, Professor of Medical Oncology, University of Southampton & National Clinical Director for Cancer, NICE England

When: Friday 17th April, 9.15am

Session: Ken Bagshawe Lecture

Topic: UK Clinical Trials - State of the Nation

When: Friday 17th April, 11.30am

Session: Workshop 2: Demystifying umbrella and platform trials

Peter Johnson is Professor of Medical Oncology at the University of Southampton, National Clinical Director for Cancer at NHS England and Chair of the UK Office for Life Sciences Healthcare Cancer Goal. He helped to write the National Cancer Plan for England: Delivering World Class Cancer Care, published in February 2026. He was previously Chief Clinician for Cancer Research UK from 2008 to 2017 and set up the UK's first dedicated Centre for Cancer Immunology in Southampton.

His research interests are in applied immunology and immunotherapy; lymphoma biology and precision medicine, and clinical trials. He has been the Chief Investigator for trials ranging from first in human novel antibody therapies to international randomised studies.

He is currently researching novel biomarkers to detect lung cancer, and leads the NHS Cancer Vaccine Launchpad, aimed at accelerating the next generation of cancer immune treatments.

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