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Appendiceal neoplasms: Shedding light on a rare disease



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Session Information

Appendiceal neoplasms are rare, poorly researched and have a wide range of outcomes. This seminar will discuss the varied subtypes of disease, current treatment options and our research program that aims to better understand the biology, develop useful tumour models and ultimately define new therapeutics.

Speakers



A/Prof Kate Mahon is Director of Medical Oncology at the Chris O'Brien Lifehouse and a post-doctoral researcher at the University of Sydney and the Garvan Institute. She specialises in appendiceal, colorectal and prostate cancers and leads the peritoneal malignancy translational research program that includes RPA Hospital, Chris O'Brien Lifehouse, Centenary and Garvan Institutes.

Dr Madeleine Strach is a medical oncologist at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse with a special interest in appendiceal cancer and bone and soft tissue tumours. She recently submitted her PhD on appendiceal malignancies through the University of Sydney which involved clinical and translational research in both Sydney (RPA/Chris O'Brien Lifehouse/Garvan Institute) and Manchester, UK (Christie NHS Foundation Trust).



Dr Dannel Yeo is a translational researcher specifically focusing on improving patient management and outcomes in rare cancers. He is a senior research officer at the Centenary Institute, lecturer at University of Sydney and research scientist at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital. His research program examines liquid biopsy biomarkers and generates patient-derived tumour models to identify the most effective treatments for cancer patients.



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