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BioInnovate Ireland Symposium 2023 Agenda

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- 4.00 pm **Registration and Networking**
- 4.20pm **Welcome & Introduction**
Mr Jonathan McCrea
Professor Martin O'Halloran, Executive Director of BioInnovate Ireland
- 4.30pm **Panel Discussion:**
The BioInnovate Fellowship Experience and Alumni Journeys
- Shashwat Hora, BioInnovate Ireland Fellow
 - Liam O'Brien, BioInnovate Ireland Fellow
 - Dr Michelle Tierney, Co-Founder & CSO Symphysis MedicaQ
 - Mr Kevin Kelleher, Founder & CEO Ostoform
 - Dr Conor Harkin, Co-Founder & CSO ProVerum Medical
- 5.10pm **Fellow Pitches:**
Fellows will present three needs-based innovations followed by questions from the audience, hosted by Mr Jonathan McCrea
- Aine Daly & Clare Nolan
 - Josh Bhatl
 - Gerald Healy and Lee-Ann Coughlan
- 5.40pm **Panel Discussion:**
What lies ahead for the Future of MedTech
- Caroline Gaynor, Partner Lightstone Ventures
 - John O'Brien, Executive Chairman & CEO S3 Connected Health
 - Dr Tanya Mulcahy, Director Health Innovation Hub Ireland
- 6.25pm **Closing Remarks:**
Mr Jonathan McCrea
- 6.30pm **Close:**
Drinks and BBQ in the SULT College Bar

THE BIOINNOVATE FELLOWSHIP EXPERIENCE AND ALUMNI JOURNEYS



**Co-Founder &
CSO Symphysis
Medical**

Dr Michelle Tierney

Dr Michelle Tierney is a Co-Founder and the Chief Scientific Officer (CSO) of SymPhysis Medical, a medical device company focused on developing patient-centred solutions in palliative care. Michelle has over 15 years' experience in life sciences research with a PhD in Chemistry and has worked for the global CRO ICON plc in their Medical Affairs team. After completing the University of Galway BioInnovate programme in 2018 alongside her Co-Founder Tim Jones, they identified an unmet clinical need relating to fluid build-up in the chest in late-stage cancer and since then have been focused on developing a user-centric, drainage device that will increase independence, improve quality of life and reduce hospitalisations for people approaching end-of-life.



**Co-Founder
& CEO Ostoform**

Dr Kevin Kelleher

Kevin is CEO of Ostoform, which he originally co-founded with BioInnovate team mate Rhona Hunt, to develop and commercialise novel ostomy products. Prior to BioInnovate Ireland, Kevin worked in Research and Innovation in Trulife Orthotics and Prosthetics and in IDA Ireland. He has a PhD in Biomedical Engineering and a Masters in Technology Entrepreneurship. Ostoform was recently awarded €2.5M in Grant Funding from the European Innovation Council (EIC) Accelerator Program.



**Co-Founder & CSO
ProVerum Medical**

Dr Conor Harkin

Conor is CSO of ProVerum Medical, which he co-founded with CTO Dr Róna Ní Ghriallais to develop an innovative medical device for the treatment of Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia. Before joining the BioInnovate Ireland Fellowship Programme in 2013, Conor practiced medicine for 6 years, then completed an MBA at IE Business School in Madrid. He has also worked with the European Investment Fund in Luxembourg and Seroba Life Sciences in Dublin.

WHAT LIES AHEAD FOR THE FUTURE OF MEDTECH?



**Partner Lightstone
Ventures**

Caroline Gaynor

Caroline joined Lightstone Ventures in 2017 and evaluates new investment opportunities in the biopharmaceutical and medical device sectors out of the firm's Dublin office. A former BioInnovate Ireland Fellow with over 10 years' prior operational experience in the pharmaceutical industry, she is also a member of BioInnovate Ireland's Board of Advisors.



**Executive Chairman
& CEO S3 Connected
Health**

John O'Brien

John began his career in the semiconductor industry and held various positions in technology, marketing, and engineering before becoming CEO of S3 Group in 2001. He is currently Executive Chairman and CEO of S3 Connected Health, an active member of the Irish Software CEO Forum and was the 2020 Chairman of Irish Medtech. John has an engineering degree from the University of Limerick, an MBA from University College Dublin and has completed the Enterprise Ireland Leadership for Growth program at Stanford University.



**Director Health
Innovation Hub
Ireland**

Dr Tanya Mulcahy

Tanya has over 30 years' experience in the start-up, pharma, product development and research industry in Ireland and the US. She has a PhD in cancer genetics, has conducted postdoctoral research in neuropsychiatric genetics, has a BSc in Biochemistry and a Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Trials. She has been appointed by the Minister for Health to the HPRA Medical Device Advisory Committee. She is an Advisory Committee member of the National Clinical Trials Office (NCTO). She is an independent advisor to a number of HealthTech start-ups. Tanya is an advocate for female founders and is particularly interested in supporting FemTech founders.

UROLOGY/ GYNAECOLOGY TEAM

Tap/click on each Fellow's photo to view bio and email address to contact.

Clinical Champions:



Ms Catherine Dowling

Consultant Urologist at University Hospital, Galway.



Professor David Bouchier-Hayes

Consultant Urologist and Robotic Surgeon at The Galway Clinic.



Dr Michael O'Leary

Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologic Oncologist,
Galway University Hospitals and Clinical Lecturer, University of Galway.

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RESPIRATORY AND ANAESTHETICS TEAM

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Clinical Champion:



Professor John Laffey

Professor of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine, School of Medicine, University of Galway and Director of Clinical Research, Saolta Hospital Group and University of Galway.

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Professor in Translational Cardiovascular Medicine and Innovation at University of Galway and Consultant Interventional Cardiologist for Galway University Hospitals.



Dr Ross Murphy

Consultant Cardiologist at St James's Hospital, Dublin and Clinical Senior Lecturer at TCD.

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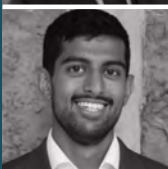
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