

AIRWAY MANAGEMENT

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SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-chairs:

- Carin Hagberg, USA
- Sheila Myatra, India

Members of subcommittee:

- Aderonke Adesiyun, Nigeria
- Audrey De Jong, France
- Michael Kristensen, Denmark
- Daniel Perin, Brazil
- Ellen O’Sullivan, Ireland
- Yasmin Endlich, Australia
- Adam Law, Canada
- Abderrahmane Bouaggad, Morocco

LECTURES

1. AIRWAY PATHOLOGIES

Chair: Sheila Myatra, India

Airway Management in head and neck cancers

Jigeeshu Divatia, India

Head and neck emergencies (trauma, airway infections/bleeds)

Michael Kristensen, Denmark

Subglottic pathologies (Large thyroids, mediastinal masses)

Rakesh Garg, India

2. OXYGENATION

Chair: Carin Hagberg, USA

Peri-oxygenation

Anil Patel, United Kingdom

Tubeless ventilation during airway surgery (NODESAT, THRIVE, jet ventilation)

Ross Hofmeyr, South Africa

HFNO during spontaneous ventilation (PreOx, procedural sedation, post extubation)

Kemal Saracoglu, Qatar



3. PATIENT AT RISK FOR ASPIRATION

Chair: Daniel Perin, Brazil

Risk factors and identification (GLP1 receptor agonist)

Elizabeth Behringer, USA

Gastric ultrasound – How I do it

Kariem El-Boghdadly, United Kingdom

Place of RSI in 2026

Ellen O’Sullivan, Ireland

4. SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAYS

Chair: Ellen O’Sullivan, Ireland

Supraglottic airways – an update

Lorraine Foley, USA

Extended applications of supraglottic airways

Aderonke Adesiyani, Nigeria

Airway rescue with supraglottic airways

Yasmin Endlich, Australia

5. AWAKE INTUBATIONS

Chair: Yasmin Endlich, Australia

Decision making (awake versus asleep)

Carin Hagberg, USA

Preparation for awake intubation

Massimiliano Sorbello, Italy

Performing the procedure and troubleshooting

Imran Ahmad, United Kingdom

6. OPTIMISING VIDEOLARYNGOSCOPY (VL)

Chair: Audrey De Jong, France

Universal VL?

Friedrich Puehringer, Germany

VL- Which blade, which adjuncts?

Tim Cook, United Kingdom



Awake VL versus flexible scope

Adam Law, Canada

7. SPECIALTY AIRWAY

Chair: Michael Kristensen, Denmark

Obstetric airway

Wendy Teoh, Singapore

Paediatric airway

Narasimhan Jagannathan, USA

Airway management in the obese – special considerations

Samir Jaber, France

8. AIRWAY MANAGEMENT IN THE CRITICALLY ILL

Chair: Jigeeshu Divatia, India

Physiologically difficult airway

Sheila Myatra, India

Role of HFNO in acute hypoxaemic respiratory failure

Audrey De Jong, France

9. AIRWAY GUIDELINES

Chair: Adam Law, Canada

PUMA Guidelines

Nicholas Chrimes, Australia

New Guidelines : DAS 2025

Imran Ahmad, United Kingdom

New Guidelines: AIDAA 2025

Sheila Myatra, India

10. TRACHEOSTOMY AND EXTUBATION

Chair: Elizabeth Behringer, USA

Extubation of the “at risk” airway

Carin Hagberg, USA

Troubleshooting during tracheostomy

Andy Higgs, United Kingdom



11. AIRWAY MANAGEMENT WITH LIMITED RESOURCES

Chair: Aderonke Adesiyon, Nigeria

Context sensitive airway management

Daniel Perin, Brazil

Case Based Discussion: How I do it

Abderrahmane Bouaggad, Morocco

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Ross Hofmeyr, South Africa

WORKSHOPS

1. ADVANCED OXYGENATION TECHNIQUES

Workshop Lead: Anil Patel, United Kingdom

Lorraine Foley, USA

Sheila Myatra, India

Kemal Saracoglu, Qatar

2. EXTUBATION, TUBE EXCHANGE AND SUPRAGLOTTIC AIRWAYS

Workshop Lead: Elizabeth Behringer, USA

Andy Higgs, United Kingdom

Aderonke Adesiyon, Nigeria

Massimiliano Sorbello, Italy

3. ULTRASOUND (GASTRIC & LUNG) SALAD

Workshop Lead: Michael Kristensen, Denmark

Wendy Teoh, Singapore

Kariem El-Boghdady, United Kingdom

Ross Hofmeyr, South Africa

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7. AWAKE INTUBATION & TOPICALIZATION PLUS ORSIM™

Workshop Lead: Imran Ahmad, United Kingdom

Daniel Perin, Brazil

Abderrahmane Bouaggad, Morocco

Kemal Saracoglu, Qatar

Massimiliano Sorbello, Italy

8. VIDEOLARYNGOSCOPY AND COMBINATION TECHNIQUES

Workshop Lead: Ellen O'Sullivan, Ireland

Adam Law, Canada

Audrey De Jong, France

Tim Cook, United Kingdom

Friedrich Puehringer, Germany

9. INVASIVE AIRWAY TECHNIQUES (CRICOTHYROIDOTOMY)

Workshop Lead: Carin Hagberg, USA

Nicholas Chrimes, Australia

Yasmin Endlich, Australia

Aderonke Adesiyani, Nigeria

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Adam Law, Canada

11. LUNG ISOLATION (BRONCHIAL BLOCKERS, DOUBLE LUMEN TUBES AND MORE)

Workshop Lead: Jigeeshu Divatia, India



Rakesh Garg, India
Audrey De Jong, France

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PROBLEM BASED LEARNING DISCUSSIONS

1. SAFE EXTUBATION

Moderator: Carin Hagberg, USA

Elizabeth Behringer, USA
Andy Higgs, United Kingdom

2. OPTIMISING VIDEOLARYNGOSCOPY

Moderator: Ellen O’Sullivan, Ireland

Adam Law, Canada
Tim Cook, United Kingdom

3. Apnoeic Oxygenation

Moderator: Sheila Myatra, India

Anil Patel, United Kingdom
Lorraine Foley, USA