



EBMLive

**Elevating evidence-based healthcare
in a post-pandemic world**

24-26 June 2026 | Rhodes House, Oxford, UK

Day Zero Tuesday June 23rd 2026

18:00 – 21:00

Evidence in the Pub

Day One Wednesday June 24th 2026

08:30 – 09:15

Registration, Badge Collection & Poster installation

09:15 – 09:30

Welcome and Introduction - [Dr Georgia Richards](#)

09:30 – 10:00

Elevating Evidence-Based Healthcare Post Pandemic - [Prof Carl Heneghan](#)

10:00 – 11:00

Session One - Panel Discussion

Enhancing Evidence for Public Health Emergencies

Epidemiology and transmission of respiratory viruses among children attending day care: a systematic review - [Dr Elizabeth Thomas](#)

Towards the QQuality Assessment of VViral Transmission Studies (QUAVIT) risk of bias tool for respiratory virus transmission studies: a systematic scoping review - [Dr Adam Komorowski](#)

	Methodological characteristics of transmission modelling studies evaluating non-pharmacological interventions for respiratory viruses with pandemic potential: Preliminary findings from a scoping review - Dr Jessica Bartoszko		
11:00 – 11:30	Refreshment Break / Poster viewing		
11:30 – 13:00	Parallel Sessions		
	<p>Orals – Enhancing Evidence</p> <p>Decentralised Surveillance and Community Stewardship for Pandemic-Ready Health Systems: Evidence from the Kerala TB Elimination Mission - Rajnish Prasad</p> <p>Barriers and facilitators to evidence-informed decision-making in public health and preventive medicine: A critical review - Emily Groot</p> <p>Closing the Deal? An Examination of the 2025 Report of the G20 High Level Independent Panel on Pandemic Preparedness and Response - Garrett Brown</p> <p>Understanding the Association between COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout and Protective Health Behaviour Adoption in Hong Kong during the COVID-19 Pandemic from 2020 to 2023 - Chi Wai Ng</p>	<p>90 Minute Workshop</p> <p>Estimating the true mortality burden of Pandemics - Georgia Richards</p>	<p>90 Minute Workshop</p> <p>Levels of Evidence - David Nunan</p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch		
14:00 – 15:30	Parallel Sessions		

	<p>Orals – Enhancing Evidence</p> <p>Physical distancing in choir rehearsals: A pilot cluster-randomized trial of feasibility and acceptability - Erle Refsum</p> <p>Weekday patterns of SARS-CoV-2 positivity and Cycle threshold values: insights from a large school-based screening program using the Lolli-Method in Germany - Simone Schena</p> <p>Disparities in the Adoption of Evidence-Based Medications for Opioid Use Disorder in the United States - Loyal Bou Harfouch</p> <p>Benefits and harms of remdesivir in hospitalized adults with COVID-19 illness: A Systematic Review with Meta-Analysis of Pivotal Clinical Trials - Marc Chretien</p> <p>Preventable deaths involving violence against women and girls: a systematic case series of coroners' reports - Katie Heneghan</p>	<p>Orals – Transforming Communication</p> <p>Evaluation of natural history communication and shared decision making for self-limiting conditions: Analysis of UK primary care consultations - Eman Abukmail</p> <p>When Assessment Drives Teaching: Assessment-Aligned Reform of Evidence-Based Health Care Education in Residency - Normand Wall</p> <p>My Hearing PREM - the first Patient Reported Experience Measure in Audiology - Helen Pryce</p> <p>Building a taxonomy for identifying infectious organisms in deaths reported by coroners in England and Wales: preliminary findings using the Preventable Deaths Tracker - Eden Hatch</p> <p>Evaluating the Harms and Trade-Offs of COVID-19 Policy Responses - Kevin Bardosh</p>	<p>90 Minute Workshop</p> <p>Levels of Evidence for a Pandemic - Annette Pluddemann</p>
15:30 – 16:00	Refreshment Break		
16:00 – 16:30	<p>Session Two – Plenary</p> <p>Unintended Consequences - Prof Sara Gandini</p>		
17:00 – 18:30	Welcome Reception / Poster viewing		

09:00 – 09:30	Registration & Badge Collection		
09:30 – 10:30	Parallel Sessions		
	60 Minute Seminar PEARL-G; A Framework for Quality Assessment of Clinical Pearls in Medical Literature - Zahid Duranni	60 Minute Seminar The Role of Litigation in Evidence Based Medicine: Ensuring Reliability of Data - Leemon McHenry & Michael Baum	60 Minute Seminar Elevating Value-based Healthcare in Egypt: Towards building a sustainable and effective healthcare system in Egypt - Ranin Soliman & Hesham Dinana
10:30 – 11:00	Refreshment Break / Poster viewing		
11:00 – 12:30	Parallel Sessions		
	Orals – Enhancing Evidence Development of an evidence-informed manual for enabling trials of public health and social measures during future pandemics: preliminary insights from a WHO Collaborating Centre process - Unni Gopinathan Deaths reported by coroners in people who have experienced cancer in England and Wales: a national observation study, 2013-2025 - Clodagh Bottomley Health as Wellbeing in COVID-19 Response Regimes - Jean von Argis Harms reported by coroners in England and Wales during the Covid-19 pandemic: preliminary findings from a national	Orals – Improving Quality Experience of clinicians who identify pharmaceutical fraud in reporting serious adverse drug reactions - Charles Bennett, Gretchen LeFever Watson & Andrew Bennett Validating ICD-10 Algorithms for Identifying Patient Safety Indicators Through 10,655 Charts Review - Guosong Wu AskTrip as an Uncertainty Engine: What 10,000 Real Clinical Questions Reveal About the State of Evidence-Based Medicine - Jon Brassey Defining Good Practice in Living Evidence Synthesis: Findings from a Survey of Global Health Researchers - Melanie Golob	Orals – Wiser EBHC Using AI-Driven Precision Health to Reduce Overdiagnosis, Improve Value-Based Care, and Advance Sustainable Healthcare Delivery - Husna Maryam Adherence to New Drug Regimens in MDR-TB Programmatic Management: Insights from a Retrospective Mixed-Method Study in Bangladesh - Farzana Zaman Evaluating Public Values on Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions for Pandemic Control - Yuan Zhang Developing Implementation Capacity Through Team Training: an Evaluation of Individual- and Team-Level Outcomes - Emma Hedberg Rundgren

	<p>retrospective study 2020-2026 - Georgia Richards</p> <p>Defining population immunity: A rapid review and conceptual framework - Mairead Whelan</p>	<p>Comparative Assessment of ROBINS-E and Newcastle-Ottawa Scale in Oral and Dental Cohort Studies: A Meta-Research Study - João Botelho</p>	<p>Serial Cycle Threshold (Ct) Monitoring to Safely Guide De-isolation: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis - John Conly</p> <p>Referrals from Primary Care to Neurosurgical Services: A Scoping Review of Patterns, Quality, Interventions, and System-Level Gaps - Carl Axelsson</p>
<p>12:30 – 13:30</p>	<p>Lunch</p>		
<p>13:30 – 15:00</p>	<p>Parallel Sessions</p>		
	<p>90 Minute Workshop</p> <p>Catalogue of Bias Taxonomy Workshop - David Nunan</p>	<p>Orals – Improving Quality</p> <p>The use of imaginary data in randomised clinical trials. A scoping review of randomised trials that use informative Bayesian prior distributions - Jason Oke</p> <p>Clinical Pearls in Medical Literature: A Bibliometric and Systematic Review with Exploratory Quality Assessment Using the PEARL-G Framework - Zahid Duranni</p> <p>Use of artificial intelligence to support access to health research evidence in low- and middle-income countries: a scoping review - Thomas Thomas</p> <p>Uncovering the biases: why the claimed mask–excess mortality link fails to hold - Gabriel Costa</p> <p>A systematic review and meta-analysis about the effectiveness of tele-mental health interventions for women since the COVID–19 pandemic - Ranin Soliman</p>	<p>Orals – Wiser EBHC / Other</p> <p>Translating evidence into practice for antibiotic prophylaxis in Caesarean sections in Antigua and Barbuda: Lessons learned - Tansy Wade</p> <p>Bereavement as a public health concern: preliminary findings using the Preventable Deaths Tracker - Chinelo Nnadi</p> <p>Synthesizing Evidence on Mental Health in Racialized/Ethnic Minority Populations during COVID-19: Outcomes and Targeted Interventions - Nashit Chowdhury</p> <p>Multidisciplinary Teamworking in General Practice Out-of-Hours Services in Scotland: A Realist Review of What Works, for Whom, Why, and Under What Circumstances - Babar Akbar</p> <p>Title TBC - Muir Gray</p>

15:00 – 15:30	Refreshment Break / Poster viewing		
16:00 – 17:00	Session Three - Keynote Preparing for tomorrow's threats by enhancing our ability to help patients today - Dr Jay Bhattacharya		
18:00 – 21:00	Conference Dinner/Social		
<u>Day Three Friday June 26th 2026</u>			
08:30 – 09:00	Registration, Badge Collection, Bag drop off		
09:00 – 10:00	Parallel Sessions		
	60 Minute Seminar Evidence of Complementary Herbal Therapies in ARI - Fariba Aghajafari & Igho Onkapoya	60 Minute Seminar SeroTracker: Lessons learned to optimize serosurveillance platforms to monitor population immunity for COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses - Mairead Whelan	60 Minute Seminar Freedom of Information Requests as a Tool for Identifying Missing Evidence - Carl Heneghan & Tom Jefferson
10:00 – 10:30	Refreshment Break / Poster viewing		
10:30 – 11:30	Session Four – Panel Discussion Enhancing Evidence for Public Health Emergencies		

	<p>Adaptive trials of public health and social measures: how to obtain valid estimates when trials stop early - Dr Christopher J Rose</p> <p>Meta-analysis on the prevalence of anxiety, depression, and distress among cancer patients during the COVID-19 pandemic, by type of treatment and cancer - Dr Giulia Doi</p> <p>Classroom air purifiers for reducing school absence: results from a pre-specified interim analysis of a cluster-randomized, parallel group sequential trial - Dr Runar Barstad Solberg</p>
11:30 – 12:15	<p>Elevator Poster Pitches</p> <p>Ellen Burstein - Trust and Accompaniment: An Ethnographic Study of La Colaborativa’s COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts in Chelsea, Massachusetts John Wallace - The Rockefeller Foundation and Negotiations to Develop a State Public Health Laboratory in Ireland, 1920-1955 – John Wallace Shawon Ganzales - A Participatory Policy to Increase Folic Acid and B-12 Intake in Women of Childbearing Age in Belize City – Shawon Ganzales Reem Elsayed - Women’s Sexual and Reproductive Health Services in Egypt: Insights from a Pre- and Post-Universal Health Coverage Qualitative Study Heidi O’Grady - Serial Cycle Threshold Values to Facilitate COVID 19 Management: Assessing the Clinical, Social, Environmental, and Financial Benefits Michelle Treacy - An investigation into the use of the National Early Warning Score 2 (NEWS@) in the acute setting: A realist evaluation Felicity Dewhurst - A realist evaluation of a whole-system approach to the delivery of palliative care for people with multiple long-term conditions (MLTC) and/or frailty</p>
12:15 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:00	<p>Session Five - Keynote</p> <p>The harms of exaggerated information and non-evidence-based measures - Prof John Ioannidis</p>
14:00 – 14:15	Comfort Break
14:15 – 14:30	Closing Summary
14:30	Coffee – Safe Journey home
