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ISoP Mid-Year Symposium 2025 – A truly global exchange in Uppsala!



126

participants

21

speakers

8

sessions

39

new ISoP members

We're thrilled to share highlights from the ISoP Mid-Year Symposium 2025, held on 14–15 May in collaboration with the Uppsala Monitoring Centre the historic city of Uppsala, Sweden!

With 126 passionate participants from around the globe, this vibrant event tackled the pressing theme: "Improving Information Capture for Safer Use of Medicines." From thought-provoking keynote talks to lively panel discussions and inspiring short presentations from emerging researchers, the symposium buzzed with ideas, collaboration, and innovation. Global voices came together to explore how smarter data capture can lead to safer medicines for all. The symposium showcased an impressive diversity of participants from over 30 countries, including France, Canada, Iraq, Kenya, and many others. Expert-led sessions featured leading figures in pharmacovigilance, clinical pharmacology, and pharmacoepidemiology.

Notable attendees included the ISoP Executive Committee and Uppsala Monitoring Centre alongside delegates from governmental agencies, private pharmaceutical companies, and academic institutions, demonstrating the strength of international collaboration in pharmacovigilance and drug safety.

Students and early-career professionals took center stage with powerful oral presentations that sparked meaningful dialogue and fresh perspectives. The success of the Uppsala symposium reminds us why these moments of shared learning and exchange are so essential. Thank you to all who joined us!

Relive Uppsala:
Recordings now available!

Want to relive the experience or catch up on what you missed? [Register here](#)
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CAIRO 2025
ANNUAL MEETING



24th ISoP Annual Meeting 2025

Pharmacovigilance : Back to the Future Cairo, Egypt

24–27 October 2025

[Register](#) by 15 August 2025 and save on the Early bird registration for ISoP 2025 in Cairo!

Join us for the 24th ISoP Annual Meeting from 24–27 October 2025 at the Intercontinental Semiramis in Cairo, Egypt. This year's theme, **"Pharmacovigilance: Back to the Future,"** explores how the field's foundations continue to guide medicine safety into the future. ISoP 2025 will feature insights on AI, vaccine safety, risk management, and more. The Scientific Committee, led by **Brian Edwards** and **Hadir Rostom**, is curating a rich programme of global relevance. Cairo's deep-rooted medical heritage makes it the perfect setting for this exciting event.

ISoP (formerly ESOP - European Society of Pharmacovigilance) will also celebrate its 25-year anniversary, as ESOP became ISoP in 2000! Register today and be part of shaping the future of pharmacovigilance.

🔗 Visit isop2025cairo.org for details
Contact: info@isop2025cairo.org
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Programme Highlights

- Pre-conference training
- Plenary and parallel sessions
- Panel discussions
- Oral and poster presentations
- ISoP-WHO joint session
- Poster and oral presentations selected from over 370 abstracts submitted

Spotlight on ISoP 2025: "Pharmacovigilance – Back to the Future"

We're pleased to share a recent feature from **Uppsala Reports** highlighting the upcoming **ISoP 2025 Annual Meeting in Cairo, Egypt**, titled *"Pharmacovigilance: Back to the Future."*

This engaging article offers insights into the vision and planning behind the 2025 meeting.

📖 Read the full article [here](#)

Mark your calendars

#ISoPPSD2025



Save the date

ISoP Patient Safety Day 2025

September 18-19

Safe care for every
newborn and every child



Free Online Event



We are delighted to announce the sixth annual ISoP online event to mark **World Patient Safety Day**.

Join us online for **free** webinars and activities with ISoP chapters and other international experts on **September 18 and 19**.



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of Pharmacovigilance

SAVE THE DATE

9th ISoP Seminar Intelligent Automation in Pharmacovigilance

4-5 December 2025

Boston- Cambridge, USA

Register your interest now



www.isoonline.org

ISoP Advisory Board Elections 2025

Every three years, ISoP members come together to elect ten new representatives to the Advisory Board. This is your opportunity to help shape the future of ISoP and strengthen our global leadership in pharmacovigilance.

The nominations are in, and soon it will be time to get ready to cast your vote in the ISoP Advisory Board Elections 2025!

 **To be eligible to vote, all ISoP renewals and new membership applications must be received and processed by 12 August – Don't forget to renew your membership!**

View the [2025 Election Guidelines and Timelines](#)

The voting process will take place online from **29 August to 15 September 2025** and is open to all active ISoP members eligible to vote.

Once the Advisory Board is elected:

- The new Board will elect the President from among themselves.
- The newly elected President will then appoint three Board members as Vice-President, Secretary General, and Treasurer to form the ISoP Executive Committee.

Stay tuned and make sure to participate in the election!

 **“Your voice matters. Your vote counts. Let’s shape the future of ISoP together.”**



ISoP Fellowships: Call for Nominations

ISoP Fellowships are awarded to ISoP members who have been active members of ISoP for at least five consecutive years, demonstrated significant achievement in pharmacovigilance and relevant disciplines, recognized by their peers, and have contributed substantially to the work of ISoP. Submit your application by 19 September 2025.

New ISoP Fellowships will be announced at the ISoP General Assembly in Cairo (11 UTC on 26 October) at the ISoP 2025 annual meeting. More information is available at the ISoP website [here](#).

Other upcoming ISoP events for 2026

1st ISoP European Artificial Intelligence Seminar Basel

16-17 February 2026 – Save the Date!

ISoP mid-year symposium 2026

“Collaboration in Pharmacovigilance in an evolving information environment” in collaboration with the University of Hertfordshire.



Costa Rica in 2026

San Jose is the venue for the next year's **ISoP Annual Meeting**. The **25th Annual Meeting** will take place on **21-24 September 2026** at the Intercontinental Costa Rica at MultiPlaza Mall.

Angela Caro-Rojas (Colombia) will chair the Scientific Committee, with other members to be announced later.

The local organizing committee is leading by Betty Duarte, President of the Asociación Centroamericana de Farmacovigilancia Costa Rica and the LATAM Chapter.

More details will be available in due course.



Updates from ISO P Chapters & SIGs

ISO P Latam 2025

The 7th ISO P Latin America Symposium is coming to Mérida, Mexico, from 20–22 August 2025 under the theme **"Impulsando la innovación de la farmacovigilancia en Latinoamérica."**

Register [here](#)



New SIG Announcement

We're pleased to announce the proposal of a new ISO P Special Interest Group (SIG) focused on **Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products (ATMPs) and Radiopharmaceuticals (RPs)**, providing a dedicated forum to address their unique pharmacovigilance challenges. The official launch of this SIG will be announced during the General Assembly at the **ISO P Annual Meeting in Cairo**.

For more information, click [here](#).

ISO P Risk Communication SIG Webinar

On 4 July 2025, ISO P's Risk Communication SIG will present a session on communication strategies in medicines safety.

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ISO P Webinar

Join us via Zoom

Methods for researching communication context and impact

Friday, 4 July 2025
11:00 - 12:00 UTC | 13:00 - 14:00 CEST

Organised by:
ISO P Risk Communication SIG (CommSIG)

Speaker

**Priya Bahri**
ISO P CommSIG Coordinator

How do we approach medicines, risks and communication when planning and evaluating a communication intervention?

This webinar will:

- Present a multilayered approach to understanding **communication across personal and public spaces**
- Explore **interactions and factors** that impact communication
- Introduce a variety of disciplines and methods to support robust, **multidisciplinary research**
- Showcase **real-life examples** of global medicine safety concerns
- Empower attendees to **improve communication systems** and processes to enhance patient and public health

This webinar is for **ISO P Members only**
Click [here](#) to register


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ISO P AMR Webinar series

On 11 July 2025, ISO P's AMR group from the ISO P Medication Errors SIG will present a session on serious fungal diseases and antifungal resistance.

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ISO P Webinar

Join us via Zoom

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Webinar Series:
Serious fungal diseases and antifungal resistance: a modern challenge needing local, national and global solutions

Friday, 11 July 2025
10:00 - 11:00 UTC | 12:00 - 13:00 CEST

Organised by:
AMR group (ISO P Medication Errors SIG)

Moderator

**Hager Saleh**
Karolinska Institutet, Sweden
ISO P AMR Group Coordinator

Speaker

**David W. Denning**
Professor of Infectious Diseases and Global Health at The University of Manchester, UK

This webinar is part of an ongoing series
Webinar for **ISO P Members only**


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For more information on SIG or Chapter webinars click [here](#)
Remember! ISO P members can watch on the Member section of our website the recording of all webinars.

ISoP General Assembly 2025

We invite all ISoP members to the ISoP General Assembly 2025, taking place on Sunday, 26 October 2025, from 11:00 to 13:00 UTC during the 24th Annual Meeting in Cairo (ISoP 2025).

For those not attending ISoP 2025 in person, the GA will be held as a hybrid Zoom event, with online attendance free to all ISoP members.

Whether you'll be in Cairo or joining online from across the globe, you won't want to miss this important gathering. Key updates, announcement of the new Advisory Board, strategic decisions, and your opportunity to shape ISoP's future—all in one dynamic session!

Mark your calendar: **Sunday, 26 October 2025 | 11:00 UTC**

Be informed. Be involved. Be part of ISoP's future. Stay tuned for connection details and the full agenda – coming soon!

DIA India Annual Meeting - 2025

ISoP President Angela Caro-Rojas will be participating in the DIA India Annual Meeting - 2025 held in Mumbai, India on 19 & 20 September 2025. This year's theme is *Innovation Through Integration: Shaping the Future of Patient-Centric Healthcare*.

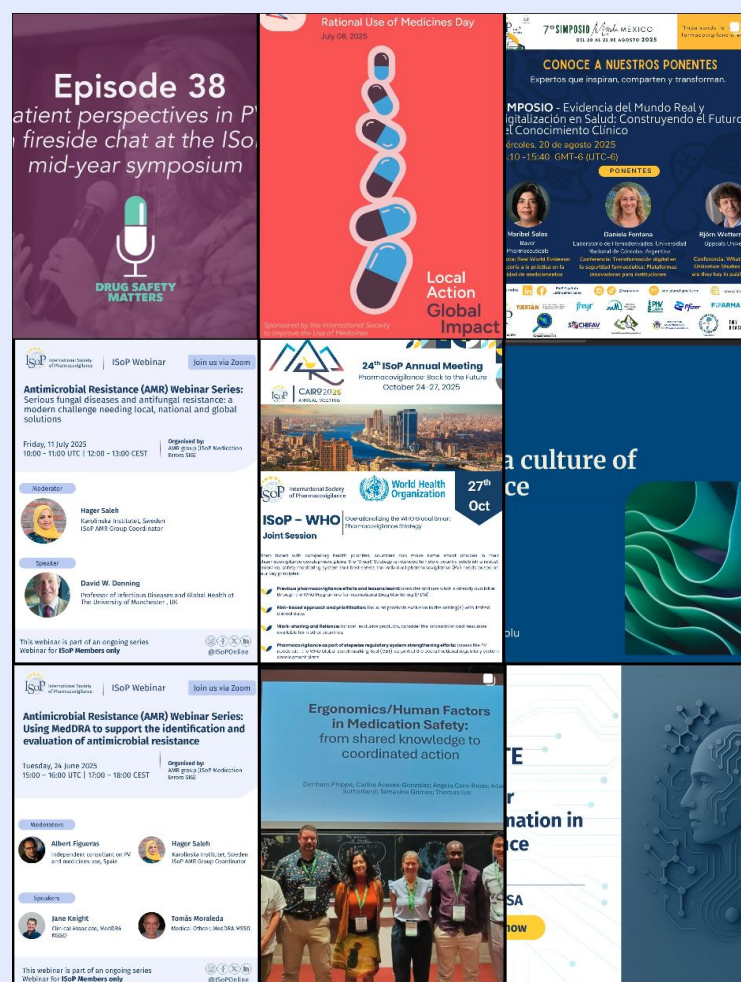
More information [here](#)



Obituary for Ronnie Meyboom (1945–2025) – A Pioneer in Pharmacovigilance

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Dr. Ronnie (Ron) Meyboom, a trailblazer in the field of pharmacovigilance. Born in Amsterdam in 1945, Ron dedicated his life to improving medicine safety through both national and international leadership. He served as Inspector of Public Health and Director of the Dutch pharmacovigilance centre, contributed to WHO and EU committees, and played a pivotal role in establishing Lareb and advancing ADR reporting systems.

A founding board member of ISoP's predecessor (ESOP), Ron was a passionate advocate for spontaneous reporting, always centring the patient's story. His clinical insight, deep knowledge, and inspiring mentorship shaped the development of pharmacovigilance worldwide. Ron will be remembered not only for his scientific legacy, but also for his warmth, humour, and unwavering commitment to patient safety. He is survived by his wife Julie, two sons, and three grandchildren. He passed away on April 27th.



Follow us and stay tuned

We encourage you to follow ISoP on Facebook, X, Instagram, or LinkedIn: **@ISoPOnline**. Our website, **www.isoPONline.org**, is updated regularly. The Members-Only section provides access to the *Drug Safety* journal, presentations from annual meetings, the webinar library, and allows you to update your personal information.

As always, please send your comments, ideas, and contributions for ISoP Star to:

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