



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE

Summer School 2026

11th – 12th May

Yusuf Hamied Centre

Cudeca Institute for Training and Research

Benalmádena, Málaga, Spain

WORKSHOPS DESCRIPTIONS

THE 10/40 MODEL FOR BEST CARE FOR THE DYING PERSON

The International Collaborative's innovative 10/40 Model for Best Care for the Dying Person is a continuous quality improvement programme that can transform care for the dying within a clinical environment in measurable and sustainable way. At Summer School, we will explore the main components of the model and give delegates an understanding of how they can implement it in their own clinical setting.

RESEARCH IN END-OF-LIFE CARE

Providing opportunities to participate in major international research is a core aim of the International Collaborative, and Summer School is a key driver in the development of the project portfolio. This year, delegates can participate in a range of research workshops on topics including the LIVE project, international benchmarking, the Serious Illness Conversation Programme, the 10/40 Model for Best Care for the Dying Person and the development of an international biobank and the diagnosis of dying.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN CLINICAL CARE

Join our comprehensive workshops focused on improving clinical care for dying patients. Learn about engaging with bereaved relatives by listening to their voices to improve quality of care, as well as the development and evaluation of volunteer services in end-of-life care. We'll also address contemporary ethical issues, equipping you to provide compassionate, informed care during this critical phase.

THEMED SESSIONS

Our range of themed sessions will include dedicated time for our Project Groups to meet and progress their work, as well as a workshop on communication at the end of life that will help clinicians to navigate sensitive conversations with patients and families. We will also explore public engagement with death and dying, with the aim of fostering greater understanding and openness around these important, often challenging, topics.

Registration and Abstract Submission

Full members of International Collaborative:	Free Members and Non Members of the Collaborative:
240€ (early bird fee 190€, before 31 March 2026)	290€ (early bird fee 240€, before 31 March 2026)

Registration form: <https://bit.ly/SUMSCH2026-REGISTRATIONANDPAYMENT>

Abstract submission forms are available on the International Collaborative website ([here](#))
Deadline 15 February 2026

Registration fees covers all organisation costs:

- Access to Scientific Sessions
- Certificate of Attendance
- Coffee Breaks and Lunch
- Welcome Dinner

Accommodation

- **Hotel San Fermin. Reservations: sanfermincial@thbhotels.com**
Double room for single use = €62.00, breakfast included
Double room for two people = €75.00, breakfast included
- **Hotel Alay. Reservations: reservas@hotelalay.com**
€110 per night in a standard room with terrace, breakfast included.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2026 PROGRAMME
International Collaborative for Best Care for the Dying Person

The International Collaborative for Best Care for the Dying Person brings together a global group of leading thinkers, practitioners, and researchers, who share a vision for a world where all people experience a good death as an integral part of their individual life, supported by the very best personalised care.

Day 1: Monday 11th May 2026			
Morning Session Chaired by:			
09:00 - 09:15	Plenary	Welcome to Summer School 2026 and to the Yusuf Hamied Centre <i>Dr Marisa Martín & Dr Yusuf Hamied</i>	
09:15 - 09:45	Plenary	Overview of Summer School 2026 and The Collaborative Best Care for the Dying Person <i>Professor John Ellershaw</i>	
WORKSHOPS		The 10/40 Model for Best Care for the Dying Person	International Collaborative Project Group Development
09:45 - 11:00		An Introduction to the 10/40 Model for Best Care for the Dying Person <i>Chair: Dr Susie Wilkinson</i>	iLIVE Legacy <i>Chair: Professor Agnes van der Heide</i> (Hybrid)
			Public Engagement in End-of-Life Care <i>Chair: Dr Marisa Martín</i>
11:00 - 11:30	COFFEE BREAK		
11:30 - 12:45		An Introduction to the 10/40 Model for Best Care for the Dying Person <i>Chair: Dr Susie Wilkinson</i>	Engaging with Bereaved Relatives: listening to their voices to improve quality of care <i>Chair: Dr Vilma Tripodoro & Dr Catriona Mayland</i> (Hybrid)
			International Benchmarking in Care for the Dying <i>Chair: Professor John Ellershaw</i>
12:45 - 14:00	LUNCH BREAK & POSTER VIEWING		
Afternoon Session Chaired by:			
14:00 - 14:45	Plenary	Diagnosing Dying <i>Dr Matteo Moroni</i>	
14:45 - 16:00		Imminent Death in Internal Medicine: Ethics and the clinical deliberation process in the last hours of life <i>Chair: Dr Rui Carneiro</i>	Diagnosing Dying <i>Chair: Dr Matteo Moroni</i>
			Serious Illness Care Programme <i>Chair: Associate Professor Anna Sandgren and Dr Stephen Mason</i>
16:00 - 16:30	COFFEE BREAK		
16:30 - 17:30	Plenary	Oral Presentations from Submitted Abstracts	
17:30	CLOSE		
20:00	WELCOME CONFERENCE DINNER		

Day 2: Tuesday 12th May 2026

Morning Session Chaired by:			
09:00 – 09:15	Plenary	Introduction to the Day <i>Dr Marisa Martín</i>	
09:15 – 10:00	Plenary	iLIVE Volunteers <i>Professor Agnes van der Heide</i>	
10:00 – 11:00	Plenary	Oral Presentations from Submitted Abstracts	
11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE BREAK		
	WORKSHOPS	The 10/40 Model for Best Care for the Dying Person	International Collaborative Project Group Development
11:30 – 12:45		Developing a training programme for implementation leaders of the 10/40 Model <i>Chair: Dr Dröfn Birgisdottir and Anette Duarte RN</i>	<i>iLIVE Volunteers</i> <i>Chair: Dr Tamsin McGlinchey & Grethe Skorpen Iversen RN</i> International Benchmarking <i>Chair: Professor John Ellershaw</i>
12:45 – 14:00	LUNCH BREAK		
Afternoon Session Chaired by:			
14:00 – 14:45	Plenary	The Lancet Commission on the Humanitarian Crisis of Cancer <i>Professor Naveen Salins</i>	
14:45 – 16:00		24 hour Research Project in Care for the Dying <i>Chair: Professor Carl Johan Fürst</i>	<i>Lancet Commission on the Humanitarian Crisis of Cancer</i> <i>Chair: Professor Naveen Salins</i> Translational Palliative Care: Developing an international biobank in palliative care <i>Chair: Professor Lia van Zuylen</i>
16:00 – 16:30	COFFEE BREAK		
16:30 – 17:00	Plenary	Reflections and Learning from Summer School <i>Professor John Ellershaw</i>	
17:00 – 17:30	Plenary	Prizegiving & Conclusions <i>Professor John Ellershaw</i>	
	FAREWELL		