dear all

During siop Lyon 2019 the PPO educational day was a great success.

The kick-of, of the day was the session on interventions and effectiveness research, with a great key note speaker Lamia Barakat who spoke about developing and disseminating an evidence base for psychosocial interventions in pediatric psycho-oncology.

This was followed by a discussion with world leaders in this area as members of the panel. Anne Kazak (USA), Sean Phipps (USA), Maru Barrera (Canada), and Claire Wakefield (Australia) discussed challenges in interventions research together with Lamia Barakat (USA) and the chair of the session Maria Mccarthy (Australia).

Furthermore the keynote presentations by Anne-Sophie Darlington (UK) on “adolescents and young adults” was highly attended- resulting in many people standing, also outside. The attendance showed how our educational day is appreciated.

The siop meeting was finished with a keynote by Don Pabbot PPO keynote speaker n on “novel approaches for brain repair and cognitive recovery in pediatric brain tumor survivors”, highlighting the need to study quality of survivoal and the need to study interventions.

We wish you all Happy Holidays and hope to see you in Ottawa!

the siop-ppo committee,

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