

'Rethinking Cystic Fibrosis Screening Rationales in the Era of Novel Therapies'

International Workshop, 1st July 2026

09:30-10:00 *Coffee/Tea*

Opening

10:00-10:10 Welcome (Ruth Horn, University of Augsburg; Aviad Raz, Ben-Gurion University)

10:10-10:30 Introductory Rounds (all)

10:30-11:00 Modulating expectations: How new therapies influence preferences for cystic fibrosis screening in Germany and Israel (Tamar Nov-Klaiman, University of Augsburg)

1. Screening policies – aims, practice, benefits and challenges (Chair: Aviad Raz)

11:00-11:20 Autonomy and prevention: From conflicting to complementary aims of prenatal screening and the moral obligation to use fetal therapy (Lidewij Henneman, Amsterdam University)

11:20-11:40 Newborn Screening in Germany: General overview and details on cystic fibrosis screening (Friederike Hörster, University of Heidelberg)

11:40-12:00 CF after 25 years of genetic carrier screening in Israel: A new era?! (Amihood Singer, Israeli ministry of health)

12:00-12:20 Joint Discussion

12:20-13:30 *Lunch*

2. Patient organisations and stakeholders' views on screening strategies – the impact of modulators (Chair: Kelly Ormond, ETH Zurich)

13:30-13:50 From Fatal to Manageable: How Therapeutic Advances Reshape Genetic Screening Perspectives in Germany (Stephan Kruij, CF Association of Germany)

13:50-14:10 Carrier Screening, Absence of Newborn Screening, and Modulators Therapy: Insights from the Israeli Experience (Ori Inbar, CF Association of Israel)

14:10-14:30 Joint Discussion

3. The social, legal and ethical perspectives on prenatal screening (Chair: Ruth Horn)

- 14:30-14:50 Unpacking the notion of 'serious' genetic conditions: Towards implementation in reproductive decision-making and the economic angle? (Felicity Boardman, University of Warwick) [online]
- 14:50-15:10 Selecting against or for disability: Implications for CF (Sagit Mor, University of Haifa)
- 15:10-15:30 Joint Discussion

- 15:30-15:45 Closing remarks and Farewell (Ruth Horn and Aviad Raz)

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