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Announcement

The 8th GAME-TEI Summit for Future Leaders 2026



The next Transnational Education Initiative (TEI) Future Leaders Summit of the Global Alliance of Medical Excellence (GAME) will be held in Bologna, Italy, hosted by the Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences from 13-15 July, 2026. The event, titled “**Medication Review: A Powerful Tool for Interprofessional Patient Care,**” will bring together medical and health students and faculty from eight partner universities across three continents to reflect on the safe and appropriate use of pharmacological therapies in different clinical environments.

A two-hour virtual pre-meeting forum will take place on **22 June 2026**, giving students the opportunity to participate in a team-building session and define their professional learning goals.

The in-person TEI Future Leaders Summit will span **three days in July 2026** and include hands-on workshops delivered in varied formats, supporting collaborative learning and joint problem-solving around global health concerns.

As future prescribers of medicines, participants will:

- Build awareness of the **healthcare systems** in which they will work
- Apply the principles of pharmacological management, using **simulation as a safe environment**, to gain confidence in the skills of prescribing and therapeutic reasoning
- Discuss the importance of **human factors, including interprofessional communication** in the management of pharmacological therapies
- Consider how to **mitigate the burden of medication errors** worldwide at individual, institutional and system levels
- Envision how **emerging health technologies** may transform traditional communication and collaboration among healthcare professionals in prescribing
- Discuss the related **ethical challenges** in prescribing.

Insights from the 7th GAME-TEI 2025 in Prato, Italy (Hosted by Monash University)



The GAME-TEI 2025 Meeting in Prato, hosted by Monash University, brought together clinicians, researchers, educators and healthcare students from medical, nursing and pharmacy School for an engaging Summit themed **“Enabling Technologies in Medical Practice.”** The program highlighted the expanding role of technology in shaping modern healthcare and encouraged participants to critically reflect on how these tools can enhance, and not replace, human expertise.

Across three dynamic days, attendees immersed themselves in hands-on workshops covering medical robotics, augmented reality simulation, ethical decision-making, and the rapidly evolving applications of artificial intelligence in clinical settings. These sessions produced thoughtful conversations about both the opportunities and the challenges of integrating cutting-edge technologies into everyday practice.

Together, we examined what a tech-enabled healthcare landscape may look like and the profound responsibilities that accompany its development. The Summit closed with a renewed commitment to stimulate collaboration and ensure that future medical technologies remain grounded in patient-centered values.

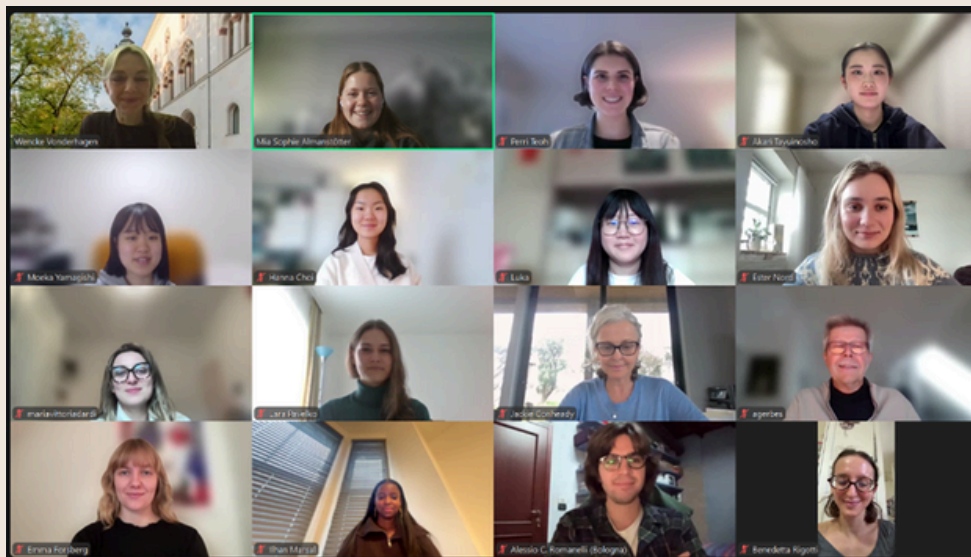
Alumni Kick-off Event Updates

Student Advisory Group (SAG) for GAME TEI

We are pleased to announce that the **Student Advisory Group (SAG) for GAME TEI** has been established with a kick-off event on the 22 November 2025 hosted by LMU Munich (Wencke Vonderhagen and Mia Almanstötter). Our SAG represents the students' interests and works on connecting GAME TEI alumni through regular online meetings to foster sustainable connection and interaction. The SAG is divided into Event, Communication and Buddy Leads to organise exclusive events, like Career Talks, ensuring access to a knowledge hub and onboarding future GAME TEI alumni. We are supporting the GAME faculty to evaluate possible program content, formats and themes.

For interests in joining the SAG, please contact Mia Almanstötter (LMU), m.almanstoetter@campus.lmu.de or your local GAME TEI faculty.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the SAG.



▲ A group photos of the participants at the kick-off meeting.

Further, we would like to highlight students' achievements since the GAME TEI Summit in June 2025:

Perri Teoh (Monash University) co-published a study evaluating the effectiveness of a co-designed Planetary Health Education (PHE) curriculum with a focus on antimicrobial resistance.


- Lim, A., McEvoy, A. M., Cobucci, Z., Teoh, P., Curigliano, M., Raman, T., ... Barbour, L. (2025). Embodying the planetary health education framework in our teaching: Evaluating students' engagement with co-designed international infectious diseases curriculum. *Innovations in Education and Teaching International*, 1–17. (<https://doi.org/10.1080/14703297.2025.2583397>)


Event Spotlight :

Global Medical AI Challenge

From 22 November to 7 December 2025, **Monash University** hosted the **Global Medical AI Challenge** in close collaboration with **the University of Bologna**, **Korea University** and **The Chinese University of Hong Kong**. The purpose of the challenge was to educate medical students globally on state-of-the-art progress in medical AI for 2025 and was led by Monash medical students Izabella Mancewicz and Deepak Rajan-Jeyarajan, with supervision from Associate Professor Khoa Cao (Monash) and support from Dr. Terry Cheuk-Feng Yip (CUHK), Professor Gastone Castellani (Bologna), Sunjae Kim (Korea) and Lorenzo Paolo & Chiara Zuccoli (Bologna). Guest speakers included Professor Fabrizio De Ponti (Bologna), Dr. Chris See (CUHK), Professor Elisabetta Lalumera (Bologna), Dr. Alicia Lu (Monash), Professor Sabato Mellone (Bologna), Professor Francesca Cante (Bologna), Professor Jonathan Chen (Stanford) and Professor Leo Celi (Harvard/MIT).


Guest Speakers






DR CHRIS SEE

The Future of AI in Medical Education: Sustainability and Novel Human-AI Interfaces.




DR ALICIA LU

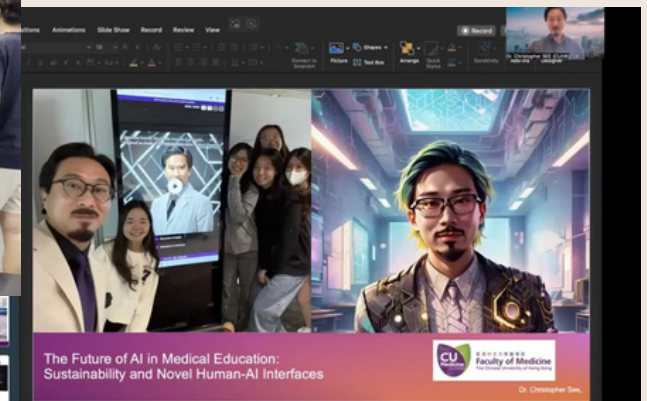
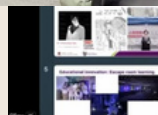
From Code to Clinic: The Reality of Deploying AI in Public Healthcare



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[Click here](#) to view the teaching materials and guest lectures.

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159 medical students participated across 34 teams and 19 countries, culminating in a competition where teams presented a healthcare problem and built a functional solution with the help of AI-driven coding. The entries earned exceptional praise from the judges, who were struck by both the depth of understanding of the problem and the sophistication of the prototypes and live demonstrations.

First Place People's Choice Award	Team Neureva (Grace Jin & Viran Dhanapala from Monash University) AI solution to detect early Parkinson's disease through voice changes.
Second Place	Team Korea (Yeongmin Choi, Hwanjun Yoo & Yeojun Yun from Korea University) A solution for medical AI to better comprehend different Korean dialects.
Third Place	Team MedEstudia (Abdul Rashid from the University of Medical Sciences in Cuba) A solution to improve medical education in low-resource settings where commercial models such as ChatGPT, Anthropic Claude or Google Gemini are unavailable.

The Bologna campus hosted two days of presentations and workshops offering a comprehensive overview of the clinical, ethical, technological, and scientific dimensions of AI in healthcare. International experts discussed data protection and privacy, AI system security, technological integration in clinical and surgical practice, epistemic injustice, and algorithmic ethics, along with an introduction to biodesign and “vibecoding.” Sessions were held both online and in person at Sant’Orsola University-Hospital (Bologna).

Among the participants was SIIAM, the Italian Society for AI in Medicine, which works toward a more equitable healthcare system and the responsible adoption of AI in healthcare.

Looking ahead, the initiative intends to build a network that connects diverse student groups and encourages interdisciplinarity and peer-to-peer learning in areas such as coding and clinical practice. The organizers hope to bring the event back next year.



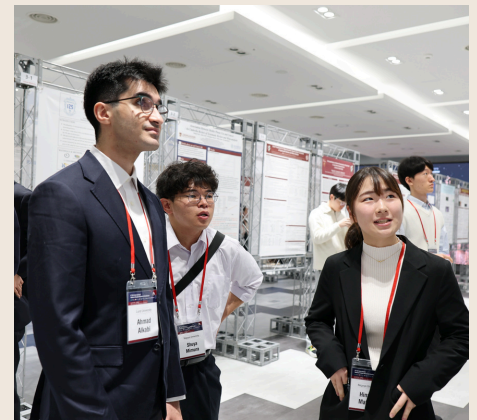
Event Spotlight :

The 8th KU International Medical Student Research Conference

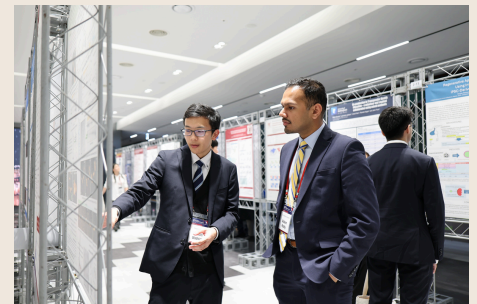


The 8th KU International Medical Student Research Conference was held on 19-20 December, 2025, at the Korea University (KU) College of Medicine in Seoul. The conference has developed into a well-established international academic forum since its inauguration in 2018 and continues to reflect Korea University's commitment to research-driven medical education.

In 2025, the conference welcomed approximately 200 participants from 18 universities, including 6 member institutions (Bologna, CUHK, KU, LMU, Nagoya & Nottingham) of the Global Alliance of Medical Excellence (GAME). Medical students from Korea and international partner universities presented their research across a broad range of disciplines, including basic medicine, clinical medicine, AI and biomedical informatics, cancer medicine, internal medicine, surgery, cardiology, neurology, and public health.



The scientific program comprised 51 oral presentations and 65 poster presentations, distributed across multiple parallel oral sessions and poster sessions. This structure enabled a wide thematic coverage while fostering in-depth academic discussion and exchange among students, faculty members, and invited guests.



The keynote lecture was delivered by Professor Gou Young Koh (KAIST), who presented current research insights in the field of vascular biology and angiogenesis. The keynote was complemented by a full-day program of student presentations, moderated by faculty members from Korea University and partner institutions.

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In addition to the scientific sessions, the conference featured a welcome reception, poster walks, and networking opportunities that facilitated exchange among participants from different academic and cultural backgrounds. The event was supported by a large and highly professional organizing team, and participants particularly noted the high quality of the conference organization and printed program materials.



At the closing ceremony, awards were presented to outstanding student contributions.

First Prize:	Chung Cheuk To (CUHK)
Second Prize:	Yeonseo Choo, Minkyoon Joo (KU) Alan Gutierrez (Yale University)
Third Prize	Chaeun Cho (KU) Seulgi Yoon, Jimin Choi (KU) Santiago Martin (LMU)
Best Poster Prize	Se Hyun Lee (Jeonbuk National University) Kunjoon Lee (KU) Hinako Matsuo (Nagoya University) Takuto Washizawa (Nagoya University) Eunwoo Nam, Minsuh Park (KU) Hyunsoh Park (KU) Halim Yun, Chaerin Park (KU) Jeongmin Son (Gachon University) Jimin Kim, Jae Kyung Park (KU) Minseung Kang, Jae Min Park (KU)

The 8th KU International Medical Student Research Conference highlighted the importance of early research engagement, mentorship, and international collaboration in medical education. It also underscored the value of long-standing partnerships between Korea University College of Medicine and its international collaborators, including members of the Global Alliance of Medical Excellence.

The organizers expressed their appreciation to all participating students, faculty mentors, reviewers, and partner institutions for contributing to the continued success of this academic event.

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Important GAME Event Dates in 2026

- **Munich Medical Students Science Conference, MMS ScienceCon**

The next MMS ScienceCon will take place on **13 June, 2026**. We sincerely hope that the event will be another opportunity for young researchers from the GAME to get together and share their insights.

- **Joint Online Clinical Case Discussions**

We are pleased to announce that the Joint Online Clinical Case Discussion series, organized by Nagoya University (Professor Itzel Bustos) and conducted in cooperation with our eight GAME-TEI international partner universities, will resume following a one-year pause. This collaborative program provides an opportunity for students and faculty to exchange perspectives on clinical cases and to further strengthen global medical education.

Further information, including the detailed schedule and participating institutions, will be shared shortly. The program is planned to **commence in May and conclude in July 2026**. We look forward to reconnecting with our partners and continuing this valuable international initiative.

- **GAME Annual Meeting 2026**

The 10th GAME Annual Meeting will be hosted by Lund University on **24-25 August 2026**. This year's theme is "**Innovation in Academic Medicine**".

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