

# SPRING MEETING REPORT

Summary Report
May 28-29, 2025 | Hilton DoubleTree Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL

130

In person attendees

43

Virtual attendees

33

Member groups

33

Brainstorming concepts submitted

15

Brainstorming concepts discussed

#### Introduction

The 2025 GCIG Spring Meeting marked a pivotal strategic milestone, bringing together over 170 delegates across 33 member groups. Held in Chicago, the meeting refocused the group's global attention on **pragmatic trials (PTs)** — costeffective, patient-centered, and globally applicable studies grounded in real-world clinical practice.



This meeting was both the outcome of sustained strategic planning and the start of our renewed commitment to trials that matter.

Michael Bookman, GCIG Chair

#### **Pre-recorded Sessions**

A suite of pre-recorded lectures was made available to GCIG members ahead of the Spring Meeting. These talks provided foundational insight into pragmatic trial development, ensuring all participants — including those in different time zones — could engage meaningfully in the discussions. These presentations are available for members to view on the GCIG website.

## **Brainstorming Highlights**

- Alexandra Leary advocated for scalable, costconscious PTs that respond to the real-world implementation gap.
- Alicia Tone & Alvina Nadeem emphasized patient engagement and the need to prioritize quality of life in trial design.
- **Shakuntala Malik** showcased decentralized trials as a tool for improving access across settings.
- John Andrews addressed the critical role of governance and ethics in international studies.
- Presenters from India, Korea, the United States, and Canada demonstrated the feasibility of PTs in diverse, resource-constrained settings.
- Noelle Cloven explored innovations such as synthetic control arms and Al-driven modelling.
- Austin Miller & Nicolas Counsell provided a framework for designing real-world-ready trials.



The Spring Meeting fostered a culture of creativity, encouraging participants to think outside the box and share innovative ideas that could drive future success.

Christian Marth, GCIG Chair-Elect



### **Breakout Concepts**

Following the plenaries, members broke into disease-specific groups to explore new pragmatic trial proposals. These included:

**Ovarian** – Real-world outcomes of PARP maintenance, synthetic AI controls.

**Endometrial** – Hormonal vs chemo in NSMP EC, ovarian preservation.

**Cervical** – Fertility registry, hypofractionated RT, pembrolizumab trials.

**Rare Tumors** – GCT radiotherapy, GHOST trial.

**Symptom Benefit** – Telehealth-led follow-up, obstruction management.

## **Upcoming Meetings**

2025 Autumn	October 15-16, 2025
Meeting	Berlin, Germany
2026 Ovarian Cancer Consensus Conference	April 30 - May 1, 2026 Toronto, ON
2026 Spring Meeting	May 2, 2026 Toronto, ON
2026 Autumn	Autumn 2026 (dates tbc)
Meeting	Madrid, Spain

#### **Next Steps**

Slide decks and detailed trial concepts are available on the <u>GCIG website</u> (member login required).

Thank you to all that joined us in Chicago. Registration is now open for Berlin, where we look forward to seeing you again for another productive meeting.

# **Developing the Next Generation**

GCIG continues to support Early Career Investigators (ECIs) by offering exposure, mentorship, and collaborative opportunities. Both At the Spring Meeting, both ECIs were actively involved in the meeting, with Ainhoa submitting a concept that was discussed at the Symptom Benefit breakout and both co-authoring a forthcoming manuscript on the brainstorming session.





I came to the meeting with just an idea... and left with a clear plan, collaborators, and some grant options.

Ainhoa Madariaga



I felt seen and valued... It was empowering to share ideas and get real feedback.

Ana Veneziani