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In this track you will hear about a number of the projects currently being prosecuted by the drug discovery groups, taking both small molecule and antibody approaches. You will also gain an insight into the type of technology that enables drug discovery today to advance on some of the really challenging targets that are likely to have a substantial impact on cancer therapy.

**Confirmed Speakers**
- **Paul Workman** (Institute of Cancer Research)
- **Ali Raoof** (Cancer Research UK Manchester Institute)
- **Professor Rob van Montfort** (Institute of Cancer Research)
- **Professor Ian Hardcastle** (Northern Institute for Cancer Research)
- **Stuart Francis** (Cancer Research UK Beatson Institute)
- **Stuart Farrow** (Cancer Research UK Therapeutic Discovery Laboratories)

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