



18<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Tourette Syndrome & Tic Disorders  
17-19 June 2026 · Grand Hotel Union Eurostars, Ljubljana, Slovenia

## Oral presentations of submitted abstracts

Moderators: Kirsten Müller-Vahl, Andreas Hartmann

Thursday, 18 June

16:45-18:00

Glass Hall

Session I

1. a) Executive functioning and explosive outbursts among youth with Tourette syndrome  
b) Behavioral inflexibility and impulsivity are associated with explosive outbursts in youth with Tourette syndrome  
Simon Morand-Beaulieu
2. Sleep Patterns in Children with Tic Disorders: Distinct Profiles by Tic Subtype rather than Diagnosis Alone  
Stella Haffner
3. Prevalence and Phenomenology of Pain in Children and Adolescents with Tourette Syndrome: Findings from a Tertiary Tic Service  
Tarendeep Johal
4. Autism and Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder Traits as Predictors of Tic Phenomenology in Children and Adolescents.  
Ellie Roberts
5. Effects of wrist-administered vibrotactile stimulation on tic symptoms in young people with Tourette syndrome: a mixed-methods pilot study  
Hannah Wright
6. Beyond tics: The impact of explosive outbursts on family functioning in Tourette syndrome  
Méliza Gagnon
7. Sex differences in the expression of explosive outbursts in youth with Tourette syndrome  
Léa Dufort

Friday, 19 June

11:15–12:30

Glass Hall

Session II

- 8. Substance misuse in adults with Tourette syndrome**  
Christelle Nilles
- 9. A neural basis for premonitory urge and tic suppression**  
Stephen Jackson
- 10. Changes in self-esteem and quality of life following CoPs or CBIT therapy in youth with tics – Do tic-specific traits influence psychosocial outcomes?**  
Julie Leclerc
- 11. When Comorbidity Matters: How Anxiety and Depression Shape Cognitive Functioning in Tourette Syndrome**  
Marc Lavoie
- 12. Bridging Diagnostic Gaps and Increasing Awareness of Emerging Therapies in Tourette Syndrome Through Web-Based CME**  
Donald Gilbert
- 13. Behavioral, Clinical, and Cognitive Predictors of Tic Suppression**  
John Piacentini
- 14. Parent-Rated Functional Impairment Over Time in Youth with Tic and Other Movement Disorders: A Preliminary Electronic Health Record Study**  
Donald Gilbert