



From the Editor – January 2026

Welcome to the January 2026 Bulletin.

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A very happy new year to you all. Pathologists will have continued to provide services to patients throughout the festive period, but I hope you managed to have at least some time off to relax.

It's always good to start the new year on a positive. So, our theme for this issue is 'Pathology Solutions'. We explore how pathologists are coming up with answers to help solve healthcare challenges, and reflect on the College's successful parliamentary event on the same theme at the end of last year – more on that, and on our Pathology Solutions articles, in the [theme introduction](#).

2026 promises to be another busy year for the College. In particular, it will see your chance to elect the next College President; [we preview this important election](#) and bring you up to speed with some amendments to College ordinances. The College has also been launching an exciting new initiative to develop [online communities for specialties](#) to connect, collaborate and access resources, some of which are already live. Please do get involved and make use of this new facility. We have [an update on the Pathology Portal's plans](#) for the coming year and [a profile of the new Chair of the SAC for Clinical Biochemistry, Eric Kilpatrick](#). Meanwhile, Scottish Regional Council Chair [Charu Chopra](#) writes about that Council's [new webinar series](#) and its other recent activities.

College's work to inspire the next generation of pathologists continues: read about our [2025 Pathology Summer School](#) in London and an [international medical student placement](#) organised by the College. In addition, Zainab Shafiq updates us on the [National Undergraduate Pathology Conference](#), a wonderful event organised by student pathology societies across London. Other meeting reports in this issue cover [the Wales Health Inequality Conference](#), College's [World Patient Safety Day webinar](#), and

[3rd International Conference on Multiple Myeloma and Lymphomas](#). We also feature the [Percy Oliver Award](#) winners 2025 – huge congratulations to them.

International Pathology Day, held in November, is the biggest event in the International team's calendar. [The team reports on this and on our new International Regional Advisors and International Committee structure.](#)

Finally, for those working in human health, have you ever wondered what it would be like to be veterinary pathologist? We have your chance to find out, as [Shane McGettrick describes a 'day in the life'](#).

I hope you find something of interest here to kick off 2026 and I wish all our readers the best possible year, both professionally and personally.

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