

Pathology Solutions: How tests help patients

Online event

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Aaron King, Trainee Clinical Scientist

Representing British Society for Haematology

Aaron is a first year Trainee Clinical Scientist specialising in Cancer Genomics. He is currently based in the haematological malignancies diagnostic service in Leeds.



Prof. Adrian Bateman, Consultant Histopathologist

Representing The Royal College of Pathologists

Professor Bateman has been a consultant histopathologist in Southampton since 1997. His major interests are in gut, liver and pancreas pathology and in particular, colorectal cancer. He is the Lead Pathologist for the English NHS Bowel Cancer Screening Programme.



Dr Alexander Haragan, Consultant Thoracic Pathologist

Representing The Pathological Society

Dr Alexander Haragan is a Consultant Thoracic Pathologist based in Liverpool with a clinical and research interest in pulmonary disease and molecular pathology, with a particular focus on targeted therapies for lung cancers. He is a council member for The Pathological Society, Pulmonary Pathology Society, Association of Pulmonary Pathologists, UKNEQAS and ESDIP and the Royal College of Pathologists.



Dr Alison Lee, Veterinary Anatomic Pathologist

Representing The Royal College of Pathologists

Alison graduated as a veterinarian from University College Dublin (UCD) in 2013 and worked as a companion animal vet. Thereafter, she completed a Doctorate in Veterinary Medical Specialisation (anatomic pathology) in 2019 and worked as a diagnostic pathologist in the UK. Alison is now a fellow of the Irish Clinical Academic Training (ICAT) programme, and is undertaking a PhD at Trinity College Dublin's School of Dental Science. Her research focusses on the role of bacteria in the pathogenesis of feline oral squamous cell carcinoma.



Amy Read, Clinical Scientist

Representing British Infection Association

Amy Read began her career as a Biomedical Scientist and, after 20 years, transitioned into a Clinical Scientist role. Currently, she is enrolled in the Higher Specialist Scientific Training (HSST) programme. Amy is passionate about antimicrobial stewardship and diagnostic stewardship, dedicating her expertise to improving patient care and advancing the field of pathology.



Chris Sale, Co-founder and Chief Strategy Officer

Representing British In Vitro Diagnostics Association

Having worked for more than 25 years in the genomics and diagnostics space in commercial roles at different levels I have experience with product development, product management, product marketing and sales of genomics and diagnostic tests. With particular experience in the field of cfDNA and liquid biopsy/cancer testing.



Dr Claire Atkinson, Senior Lecturer and Biomedical Scientist

Representing Institute of Biomedical Science

Dr Claire Atkinson is a Senior Lecturer and Biomedical Scientist at London South Bank University, with a clinical background in diagnostic virology. She is a fellow of the Institute of Biomedical Science and the IBMS chief examiner in virology.



Dr David Gaze, Senior Lecturer in Chemical Pathology

Representing Association for Laboratory Medicine

Dr David Gaze is a Senior Lecturer in Chemical Pathology, Course Lead for the MSc Biomedical Science degree and School Director of Employability at the University of Westminster, London. Dr Gaze leads the Aging Biology and Age Related Diseases research group at Westminster and has personal research interests in cardiovascular biomarkers, cardiac pathology and the cardio-renal syndrome as well as the wider topic of general Chemical Pathology.



Georgina Wilson, Biomedical Scientist

Representing Institute of Biomedical Science

Georgina has worked as a Biomedical Scientist since 1990, being involved in training for @ 20 years – currently Infection Science Training Lead and Pathology Network Education Trainer. Outside of work she is a musician and enjoys a variety of activities, including embroidery, pyrography and hill walking.



Dr Josephine McCullagh, Consultant Clinical Scientist

Representing The Royal College of Pathologists

Josephine is a Consultant Clinical Scientist with a joint role between Barts Health NHS Trust and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT). Josephine has a wealth of experience in hospital transfusion practice and a passion for research. Her main research interests include the use of technology and data to improve transfusion outcomes and the management of patients with acquired bleeding, such as major haemorrhage.



Joanne Rogers, Consultant Clinical Scientist

Representing The Royal College of Pathologists

Joanne trained in Biochemistry, before specialising in Toxicology. The focus of the laboratory is to provide a Clinical Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring service and run the WEDINOS analytical service. Joanne is chair of the 'Clinical Toxicology Network UK', RCPATH representative on the Welsh NIBDDP, member of Toxicology RCPATH SAC and a member of the WEDINOS programme board.



Professor Ken Smith, Specialist Veterinary Pathologist

Representing The Royal College of Pathologists

Ken is a specialist veterinary pathologist at the Royal Veterinary College, University of London, where he is the Head of the Graduate School and Professor of Companion Animal Pathology. Ken's research interests include developing better diagnostic and prognostic markers for neoplasia in dogs and cats.



Kirsty Dewars, Trainee Clinical Scientist

Representing British Society for Haematology

Kirsty is a Trainee Clinical Scientist specialising in Cancer Genomics. She is currently in the final year of the NHS Scientist Training Program.



Professor Louise Jones, Professor of Breast Pathology

Representing The Pathological Society

Professor of Breast Pathology at Barts Cancer Institute, with research focus on the microenvironment in progression of DCIS. Lead for Molecular Pathology in Genomics England then Cellular Pathology Lead for North Thames GLH. Passionate about improving pathways for genomic testing to enable greater equity of access to advanced testing for patients. Editor-in-Chief of The Journal of Pathology.



Dr Matthew Clarke, Specialty Registrar

Representing Association of Clinical Pathologists

Matthew is a specialty registrar and NIHR Clinical Lecturer in diagnostic neuropathology based at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children for his clinical work, and the Institute of Cancer Research for his research. Matthew is actively involved in different pathology societies, and has been the recipient of awards for public engagement, research, and science communication.



Dr Mayur Patel, Consultant in Chemical Pathology and Metabolic Medicine

Representing Association for Laboratory Medicine

Dr Mayur Patel is a Consultant in Chemical Pathology and Metabolic Medicine at Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, honorary senior lecturer at the University of Oxford and Director of Clinical Practice for the Association of Laboratory Medicine. His interests include lipidology and informatics.



Rachel Allan, Advanced Biomedical Scientist

Representing British Society for Haematology

Rachel is an Advanced Biomedical Scientist working in the blood transfusion department at Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust. Her current role is Quality Manager and she has also started on the Higher Specialist Scientist Training (HSST) Programme which is a 5 year programme pathway leading to Consultant Clinical Scientist.



Rhiannon Marr, Screening and POCT Lead

Representing Association for Laboratory Medicine

Rhiannon works in Clinical Biochemistry at Oxford and oversees the antenatal screening and newborn bloodspot screening programmes, and also delivery of point of care testing within secondary and primary care.



Sarah Tennant, Clinical Scientist

Representing the Royal College of Pathologists

Sarah Tennant is a Clinical Scientist based in the Department of Medical Biochemistry at Cardiff and Vale UHB. Her main interests are endocrinology, development/implementation of mass spectrometry-based assays and training.



Sheila Devaney, Senior Medical Manager

Representing Association of British Healthcare Industries

Specialising in infectious diseases and previously oncology diagnostic areas, and with a background in Biomedical Science, Sheila has contributed to numerous collaborative real-world evidence generation initiatives aimed at bringing testing closer to the patient, redesigning patient pathways, supporting appropriate treatment, and improving patient outcomes.



Dr Suzy Lishman CBE, Consultant Histopathologist

Event Chair and Host

Dr Suzy Lishman is the immediate past President of the Association of Clinical Pathologists and was previously Vice-President and President of the Royal College of Pathologists. She has taken a leading role in the implementation of a medical examiner service in England and Wales and founded National Pathology Week in 2008.