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of Stroke Physicians**
Advancing stroke medicine

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Liverpool ACC
29 Nov - 1 Dec 2022

October 2022

BIASP Exec Message



Prof David Werring
BIASP President- elect

It's been a busy few months within the BIASP executive with so much excellent work being done by our Executive and Committees that it is hard to know where to start. So, I'll just briefly mention a few recent personal highlights. First, I've been busy working with the UKSF Scientific and Steering Committees with input from many other BIASP colleagues and other partner coalition members. This year's UKSF event in Liverpool looks set to be a record-breaker with well over 1000 delegates already registered, and nearly 400 abstracts accepted. This promises to be a real highlight of the year for UK stroke healthcare professionals; you can find out more at the UKSF [website](#).

Second, at the BIASP NIHR stroke research [workshop](#) in Sheffield many young enthusiastic stroke clinicians, and researchers met to present their work, listen to excellent speakers, and exchange ideas. I left with optimism about a new generation of talented clinicians and researchers in the UK.

Finally, a major highlight was representing BIASP at the UK Health Alliance on Climate Change Cycle Ride For Their Lives in [London](#) last week, which was attended by around 20 Presidents of Royal Colleges and other ambassadors. This inspiring event was a great chance to highlight all the excellent work being done by BIASP to advance the sustainability agenda, led by Bethan Davies.

For now, I hope that wherever you are working the winter pressures are not too severe, and that I will have a chance to meet many of you in person at the UKSF in Liverpool.



BIASP President-elect David Werring with the other UKHACC riders on Blackfriars Bridge, 13th October 2022.

BIASP Clinical Standards Subcommittee Update

As we look forward to the UKSF in person, we hope to see you at our BIASP stand.

From a clinical standards committee point of view, please help us further develop our workforce plan by offering your ideas and insights for potential interventions.

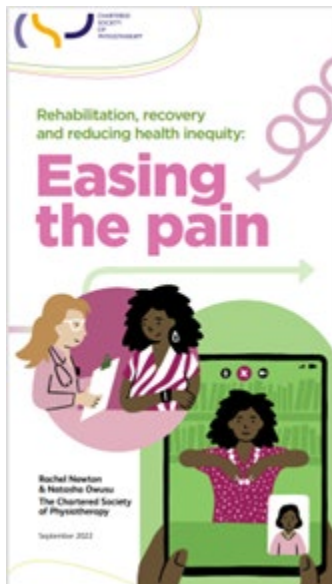
There will be a 'workforce' poster offering an opportunity to comment and we welcome all your ideas.



Dr Michelle Dharmasiri
Clinical Standards Subcommittee Chair

With the potential recent arrival of an annual allowance statements and increasing inflation, I would like to bring your attention to the advice on the BMA website which details their ongoing work regarding pensions tax and annual allowance contributions.

[CLICK HERE](#)



Dr Kath Pasco is representing BIASP as part of the community rehab alliance and she highlights the recent release of a report from the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy: 'Rehabilitation, recovery and reducing health inequality: easing the pain'. This report raises awareness of health inequities in rehabilitation and recovery services across the UK and is endorsed by BIASP.

Rehabilitation, recovery and reducing health inequality: easing the pain

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the report

**BIASP Training & Education Subcommittee
Vacant Posts**



BIASP call for nominations.

Training & Education subcommittee- 2 posts, 3 year term

[CLICK HERE](#) for the subcommittee member responsibilities

[CLICK HERE](#) for the nomination form

This post welcomes applications from FULL BIASP members

- Consultants in a substantive post or equivalent
- Associate Specialists
- Senior Specialty Doctors

The closing date for applications is midnight 01/11/2022

Sustainability Update



Dr Bethan Davies
Sustainability Lead

BIASP's Innovation in Sustainable Stroke Care competition 2022 is coming soon – open to all junior doctors, nurses and AHPs to generate ideas and carry out projects that will make the delivery of stroke care more environmentally sustainable while still offering the best standards of care to patients.

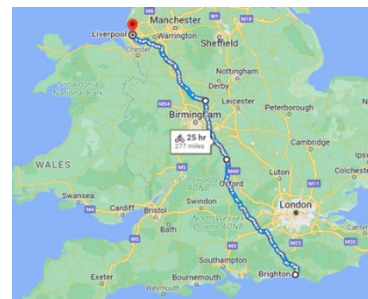
The competition will open on **29th November** but it is not too soon to start planning your project.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

Air pollution is a major threat to public health, responsible for 40,000 deaths a year in the UK and has the same root causes as climate change – the burning of fossil fuels. On October 13th BIASP President Elect Prof David Werring joined other health leaders cycled around London as part of Ride for Their Lives, a global campaign to inspire action on air pollution and the wider climate crisis.

Low Carbon Travel to UKSF

Next month, BIASP Sustainability Lead Bethan Davies will be attempting to cycle from Brighton to Liverpool to attend the UK Stroke Forum to raise awareness of the health impacts of air pollution and promote the health and environmental benefits of active transport. She will also be raising money for the charities Global Action Plan and Different Strokes.



To find out more [CLICK HERE](#) and if you are attending the UK Stroke Forum and would like to share how you are going to travel to reduce your environmental impact please visit the BIASP sustainability webpage, [HERE](#)

Ordinary Member for Republic of Ireland



Dr Margaret O'Conner
Ordinary member for Republic of Ireland

This month the update for Republic of Ireland includes:

- National Stroke Programme
- National Stroke Strategy
- NSP collaboration with RCP London

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the report in full

National Stroke Strategy Ireland

The HSE National Clinical Programme for Stroke mark World Stroke Day by launching the new National Stroke Strategy 2022-2027

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the document
[CLICK HERE](#) for the press release



Trainees Meeting - Save the Date



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Stroke Physicians



**Trainees'
Meeting
2023**

Corporate Suite,
Angela Ruskin University,
Cambridge
In person
23-34 March 2023



We are pleased to say that next year's BIASP Trainees Meeting will be held as a face-to-face event.

**Corporate Suite, Anglia Ruskin University Cambridge
23rd and 24th of March 2023**

This two-day event is ideal for anyone involved in stroke care within UK and Ireland, particularly stroke trainees, but also junior doctors, stroke nurses, AHPs and consultants. There will be talks from stroke experts around the UK, mapped to the curriculum to make this a truly unique educational event.

Do put these dates into the diary and keep an eye out for more details.

Is your member profile up to date?

You can now access the new and enhanced BIASP membership system. This allows us to know and understand our membership better to tailor the benefits we can deliver.



Please check and update your details, ticking all options which are relevant to you, particularly any other organisations you may also be a member of. This will only take a few minutes.

[CLICK HERE](#) to login to the members area.

Mentorship Programme - Now Launched



**We are now going live with the new BIASP mentorship scheme.
CPD approved, 3 points**

Many of you have volunteered to become mentors, or have requested to become a Mentee.

As part of this scheme we have developed online training materials which may be of interest also to those of you who have not yet volunteered to Mentor, and are free of charge for all members to complete. CPD points on completion of mentor training.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the training materials

Are you interested in being mentored?

We are also looking for mentees to participate in this programme. This opportunity is open to those enrolled in early specialty training, including IMT3, in a stroke parent specialty.

Register your interest by completing the form via the link [HERE](#)

Marjory Warren Lifetime Achievement Award

Peter Langhorne, Emeritus Professor of the University of Glasgow, has been awarded the British Geriatrics Society's prestigious Marjory Warren Lifetime Achievement Award for his research which has led to important changes in stroke and geriatric medicine internationally.



Professor Langhorne was selected by the Society's Board of Trustees which includes healthcare professionals from across the UK.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the article in full

Take up Stroke Fellows

TakeUpStroke



This month Robin Brown, an IMT3 doctor and PhD student has submitted his report on the common clinical dilemma involving planning the sequence of events for patients with large artery occlusion – can thrombolysis be delivered while thrombectomy is arranged, should it delay the procedure and does it affect the likely outcome?

To read his report in full [CLICK HERE](#)

UKHACC - Ride for Their Lives

“Ride for Their Lives” cycle organized by UK Health Alliance on Climate Change on **Thursday 13 October** started from the Royal College of Physicians.

BIASP President-Elect Prof David Werring took part, here are some photos from the day.



UKHACC - Editorial from Africa



UK HEALTH ALLIANCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE

UKHACC have been working with a group of African health editors to coordinate the publication of an editorial calling on wealthy countries to do more to support Africa and other vulnerable nations.

The editorial is authored by the editors of 16 African health journals, and will be published by 259 international journals, including The Lancet, BMJ, New England Journal of Medicine, National Medical Journal of India, and Medical Journal of Australia.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the editorial

Member Benefits & Discounts

NEW Benefit for Current and New Members - 20% Discount

Our new benefit started on 1st June 2022 and is for those members who work less than full time, if you work 8 PAs or less, when membership is due for renewal or when a new member joins.

Current members should send in their job plan to admin@biasp.org at least one month before their renewal date.

The 20% discount will be applied upon review of the job plan.





To further strengthen links between the Societies and to support the workforce providing healthcare to older people, the BGS and BIASP have collaborated to offer a 20% discount on new BGS membership.

The discount is open to new BGS members and for your first membership year only.

To join the BGS membership, [CLICK HERE](#) and use the discount code **BIASP22** to benefit from this offer from **1 April 2022**.

Thinking of joining WSO?
BIASP members can receive a reduced rate for the membership fee,
2022 promocode: **22BIASP**
All WSO members get discounted registrations rate for the congress.
[CLICK HERE](#) to join



Reduced membership for BIASP members.
Receive a discount of 50 EUR on the membership rate. Just select you are a BIASP member when applying and the fee will be reduced.
[CLICK HERE](#) to join

Stroke GIRFT National Specialty Report



Stroke GIRFT Programme National Specialty Report Review 5 - Stroke prevention and TIA management

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the report from Dr Richard Marigold

World Stroke Day 29 October 2022

World Stroke Day 29th October

2022 campaign will be focused on raising awareness of the signs of stroke and the need for timely access to quality stroke treatment.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information



Research Article

Prof Craig Smith has submitted his research article on the **CHOSEN** Trial.

CHlorhexidine Or toothpaSte, manual or powered brushing to prevent pNeumonia complicating stroke (CHOSEN): a 2x2 factorial randomised controlled feasibility trial



[CLICK HERE](#) to read his article

Research Updates & Opportunities



If you have any research opportunities you would like us to promote please email admin@biasp.org

BIASP and NIHR CRN: Stroke Writing Group Application Call 2022 - Competition **Closes 31st October 2022**

The British and Irish Association of Stroke Physicians (BIASP) and the National Institute for Health Research Clinical Research Network: Stroke (NIHR CRN: Stroke) invites applications from the stroke research community with the explicit aim of developing high quality research proposals intended for submission to NIHR Partner Organisations for funding. Successfully funded studies will then be eligible to be included in the portfolio and to receive NIHR CRN support with recruitment if they meet the criteria.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the application call letter

[CLICK HERE](#) for guidance

[CLICK HERE](#) for the application form

Guideline Update

European Stroke Organisation (ESO) guideline on screening for subclinical atrial fibrillation after stroke or transient ischaemic attack of undetermined origin. June 2022.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the guideline

ESO- Alteplase & Tenecteplase Shortage



[CLICK HERE](#) to read the ESO letter regarding the Alteplase and Tenecteplase shortage. This primarily includes a recommendations section at the end with some advice on stock management.

The Stroke Association Project Grant

The Stroke Association wishes to fund project grants which clearly address priorities for stroke research within the top ten topics from the PSP (Priority Setting Partnership) for either prevention, diagnosis, pre-hospital and hospital care, or rehabilitation and long-term care.



Applications can be made via the online grant portal. Please find further details on the [webpage](#), including Guidance and Conditions documents.

Stage 2 Deadline - **5pm, 12th December 2022**

Stroke Association, Saving Brains Campaign



Thrombectomy saves brains, saves money and changes lives. It's one of the most effective medical interventions ever discovered. But most people who need this treatment don't get it. It's subject to availability.

Find out about the Stroke Association's campaign across the UK nations by clicking on the report for each nation:

Saving Brains in [England](#)

Saving Brains in [Northern Ireland](#)

Saving Brains in [Scotland](#)

Saving Brains in [Wales](#), [Welsh version](#)

Thrombectomy in Republic of Ireland:

[Republic of Ireland](#)--the National Stroke Strategy 2020-2025 Endovascular thrombectomy p.27

Virtual Learning Hub



BIASP are hosting monthly 1-hour webinar sessions with the opportunity to ask the presenters questions at the end of each session. The live webinars will also be uploaded to the Virtual Learning Hub in the BIASP Members-only section for you to watch any time afterwards.

Each webinar is **free** to attend, you must register in advance for each live session. A certificate will be issued for those who attend more than 75% of the session, and complete a short evaluation that appears on the screen directly after the session.

Click [HERE](#) to view past webinars on the BIASP Virtual Learning Hub.

Date for your diary:

Look out for 2023 Webinar promotion



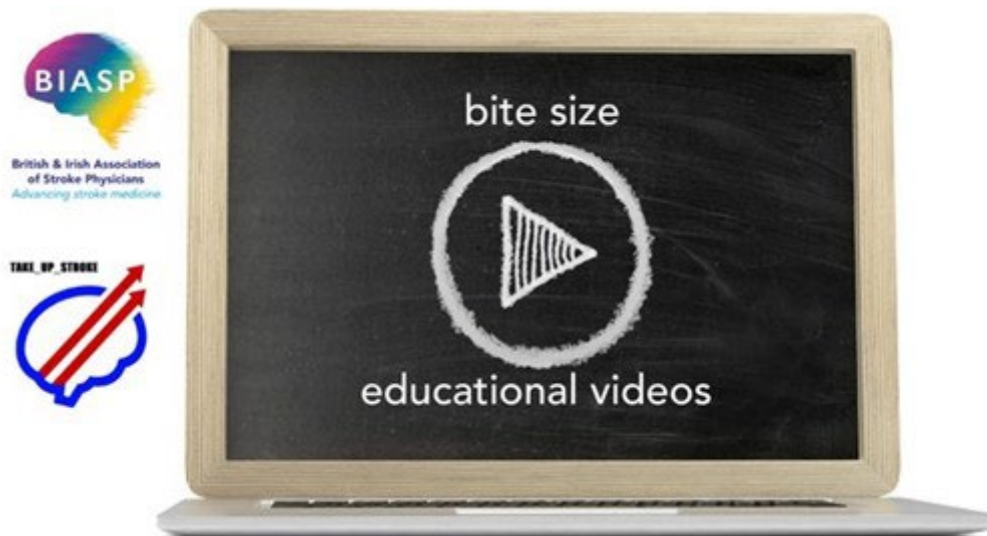
Prof Rustam Al-Shahi Salman

**BIASP Webinar 18 Wednesday
2nd November, 17:30 - 18:30**

The BIASP seasonal stroke quiz by Prof
Rustam Al-Shahi Salman

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

Bitesize Educational Hub



Bitesize videos are now available to view on the BIASP website.
Topics include:

- **Why I love Stroke**
- **Joys of working as an MDT**
- **Why I chose stroke as a career**
- **A patient's journey**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view them.

Contact admin@biasp.org for further information if these inspire you to film a video of your own.

Medical Student Essay Competition



We are delighted to announce that the joint winners of the 2022 BIASP Medical Student Essay Prize are Claudia Kate Au-Yeung from the University of Warwick and Matthew Bellamy from the University of Sheffield. They have both received free attendance at the BIASP Trainees Meeting.

Our runner-up was Aditi Chaturvedi from the University College of Dublin.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read this month's highly commended entry from **Iyad Mohammed**

Education



The Stroke-Specific Education Framework (SSEF) [Role Profile for Advanced Clinical Practitioners](#) has recently been created and is now published, and freely available to all, on the SSEF Online Toolkit.

The Stroke-Specific Education Framework (SSEF) [Role Profiles for Nurses](#) (Bands 5-8) have recently been updated and are now published, and freely available to all, on the SSEF Online Toolkit.

Events

Upcoming events will be listed here in future, if you have an event you wish to promote please contact admin@biasp.org

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29 Nov - 1 Dec 2022



EARLY BIRD TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

Register now and take advantage of our early bird rates. Early bird registration ends **August 31**

Find out more at stroke.org.uk/professionals/uk-stroke-forum/uksf-registration [in](#) [twitter](#) **#UKSF22**

STROKE FORUM

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BIASP British & Irish Association of Stroke Physicians
Advancing stroke medicine

UKSF 2022 (in person event)
ACC Liverpool
November 29th to December 1st

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information
[CLICK HERE](#) for the early bird flyer
[CLICK HERE](#) to register to attend
[CLICK HERE](#) for cost of living information

This year's **UK Stroke Forum** will take place at **ACC Liverpool**, from **November 29 - 1 December 2022**.

UKSF 2022 will be held as an in-person event only with online streaming capabilities available to delegates who register for the event. The registration fee includes access to the scientific programme, refreshments and lunch each day, the After Dark social reception and our conference app.

Recordings of selected sessions will be available via our conference app 24 hours after filming.

Members of the BIASP Exec committee will be on the BIASP stand during breaks each day, come along and have a chat.

Meet SSAC Chair Anthony Pereira on the BIASP stand, 29th November 15:00 – 16:00

RCPE Hybrid Symposium: Neurology **Thursday 10 November 2022**

The RCPE Neurology Symposium is designed to appeal across the breadth of Medicine and cater for General Physicians, General Practitioners and Specialist Neurologists.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the programme and to register

Early bird discount closed



ROYAL COLLEGE OF
PHYSICIANS AND
SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

President's Conference: Sustainability in Healthcare

16th November 2022 - Hybrid Event

An in-depth look at sustainability in healthcare and the impact of climate change on our health and healthcare delivery. Featuring informative, thought-provoking discussions, we'll invite international perspectives and offer solutions and ideas to take forward on a personal and institutional level.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the programme

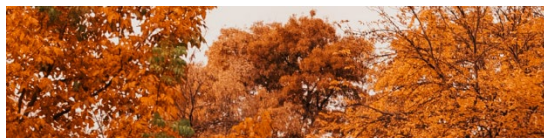
[CLICK HERE](#) to register

British Geriatrics Society Improving healthcare for older people 2022 Autumn Meeting 16 - 18 November 2022, London ExCel	• Primary and Community Care of Older People • End of life care • Orthogeriatrics • Cardiovascular and stroke • Diabetes • Endocrine disorders in older people	
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The **2022 Autumn Meeting, 16 – 18 November** at the ExCel, London will be held as a hybrid conference. You will be able to attend in person or online. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register

BGS is offering BIASP members a discounted rate – you will be eligible to pay the BGS member rate for the Autumn Conference – book your place today! Use code BIASP2022

If you have any questions about the event please contact registrations@bgs.org.uk.



Registration Now Open!

MWF AUTUMN CONFERENCE

Friday 18th November 2022



MWF Autumn Conference 2022:

A woman's place is in the workplace :
issues facing women in medicine

When: Friday 18th November 2022 from
9:00am -5:30pm

Where: Crowne Plaza, Nottingham, NG1
5RH

[CLICK HERE](#) to see a draft programme for
the full conference day.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the online booking form

Other MWF Events that may be of interest:

5th November 2022 - MWF Park Run and Park Walk Fundraiser

Please join us for the 5th November **#MWFparkrun!** Sign up for a barcode, wear something purple or white, tag us [@medicalwomenuk](#) on Twitter, [@medicalwomenuk](#) on

Instagram or Medical Women's Federation on Facebook. For full information, click [here](#)

14th November 2022 - MWF & RSM Joint Event - Women and Medicine: Leadership for the future of the NHS, RSM, London.

Attend this event to gain an insight into current leadership in medicine, with a particular focus on gender inequalities. For full information on speakers and to register click [here](#). Registration closes 13th November 2022. Join the conversation online with **#RSMeveningsMWF**.

The third annual **B.R.A.I.N. Conference**, will be held from **Monday 5th** until **Thursday 8th December 2022** in **London**.

This year's conference will be a live, in-person conference with parts streamed on the B.R.A.I.N virtual conference platform.

CLICK HERE for the programme
[CLICK HERE](#) to register



The 17th World Congress on Controversies in Neurology

March 23-26, 2023 in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

In person event

Abstract submission **deadline 30th November**

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

Career Opportunities

BIASP lists NHS jobs on their website free of charge, to list your advert contact admin@biasp.org

Here are the latest adverts for NHS stroke jobs. Click below for further information.

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Blackpool, closes 31 October

[Substantive Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), UHCW Trust, closes 10 November

[Consultant Physician in Clinical Gerontology and Stroke Medicine](#), Orpington, closes 13 November

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), London, closes 14 November

[Fixed Term Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Lincoln, closes 15 November

Observership - 2 months in an external hospital

I'm currently in my 4th year of the neurology residency at Dr. Cesar Milstein Hospital in Buenos Aires.

I'm looking forward to doing an observership at a Stroke service, because after my residency I would like to continue specializing in this area but the availability of treatments is limited where I work and I would value getting the possibility to know a service specialized in Stroke.

I would truly appreciate it if you could contact me with a neurologist specialized in Stroke or a centre where I could do this observership.

Josefina Barber Otero

Email address [here](#)

HEE Podcast

New podcast - Health Education England (HEE) releases podcast discussing stroke careers

The HEE Stroke Careers Podcast series takes an in depth look into stroke medicine careers including real life experiences, the career pathway and how we deliver care across the country.

This episode is jointly hosted by Dr Deborah Lowe, National Clinical Director for Stroke Medicine at NHS England and Dr Jon Cooper, Stroke Consultant in Yorkshire and the Humber and Postgraduate Dean at Health Education England. They discuss their career pathways, the benefits of a career in stroke, and opportunities for the future workforce.

You can listen to this podcast on HEE's [Anchor FM channel](#).

If you would like to learn more about Health Education England's work around stroke you can email: ltcp@hee.nhs.uk or visit the [stroke page on the HEE website](#).

Training Opportunities

Excellent and **freeonline stroke brain imaging training resources** at the University of Edinburgh:

- Acute cerebral CT evaluation of Stroke Study (ACCESS)
- BASP CT training lecture
- Acute CTA for thrombectomy in Stroke (ACTATS)

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the training

Free Neurology/Stroke Learning Resource

Neuropodcases is a free, podcast learning resource on clinical neurology and stroke, suitable for students, trainees, consultants and allied health professionals. These have been created by a team of Neurology trainees and consultants.

Podcasts are available to download on Apple/Spotify or via the website

<https://www.neuropodcases.co.uk/>

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If you have any suggestions please get in touch with us contact@neuropodcases.co.uk

Online NIHSS Training

To access the **free version** of the training individuals need to register and login [HERE](#)

Online training 'Hyperacute Stroke Treatments Including Thrombolysis & Thrombectomy' - STARS Advancing Module

[CLICK HERE](#) to access this resource for free. A certificate is awarded on successful completion of both the module and the module test.

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