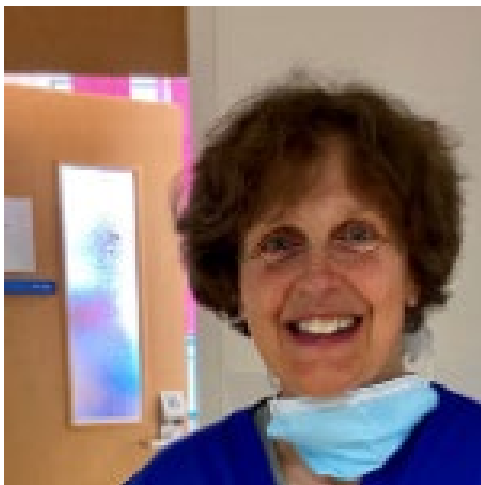




**British & Irish Association
of Stroke Physicians**
Advancing stroke medicine

May 2023

BIASP Exec Message



Dr Elizabeth Warburton
BIASP Treasurer

I am delighted to be continuing as the Treasurer for another term - especially as we have ended up with a small surplus at this financial year end! This is in no small part due to the UKSF in Liverpool making a profit (with which we have a 1/3rd profit share) and the excellent trainees meeting being (almost) cost neutral.

Our membership revenue is up - a massive thankyou to all - and we continue to be able to fund all the agreed commitments in our strategy and continue our constructive working relationship with Fitwise. We now have three savings accounts for our reserves that fit with our green credentials.

All good things however.....

Looking to next year we have heard from The Stroke Association that costs for the UKSF in Birmingham have spiralled. This is in line with other conferences where catering costs in particular have increased substantially. To that end we may well have to anticipate our share of a net loss but are hoping that we will be allowed a pre-agreed 'ceiling' so any larger loss could be spread out over more years than just one.

Please do keep recommending BIASP membership to colleagues and point those working less than full time, or in other societies such as the BGS to the BIASP website.

[CLICK HERE](#) where the details of reduced membership rates can be found.

with best wishes

Liz

BIASP Executive Lead for Scotland Update



Dr Terry Quinn
Executive Lead for Scotland

There will come a time when the Scotland BIASP report is not all about our struggle to get national thrombectomy access – but that time is not today.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read about:

Thrombectomy, Scottish Parliament Cross Party Group, research leadership and other stroke news from North of the Border

BIASP Clinical Standards Subcommittee Update

This month Dr Dharmasiri's report is on

- 2023 National Clinical Guideline for Stroke
- Ongoing BIASP work promoting stroke as a career

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



Dr Michelle Dharmasiri
Clinical Standards Subcommittee Chair

BIASP Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Update



Dr Soma Banerjee
ED&I Lead

I'm pleased to report the BIASP executive committee have decided to incorporate a new SAS doctor leadership role within BIASP, which will be advertised soon. We are committed as an organisation to promote diverse career pathways within Stroke medicine, and recognise the important contributions of SAS doctors within our specialty. This new post is an important step in supporting career development for this invaluable group of stroke specialists.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, our second key area of focus is women in Stroke medicine. I'm pleased to include an update from the ESO WISE (Women Initiative for Stroke in Europe) group. They are a growing group within the European Stroke Organisation, and will be meeting at ESOC this year in Munich. The WISE leadership team have kindly added an update for BIASP members in the following link, [HERE](#). They state, 'All those interested in advancing women in stroke are welcome to join WISE....Contact ESO at esoinfo@eso-stroke.org to receive information about joining the WISE Network and participating in events and meetings at ESOC.'

NEW 2023 National Clinical Guideline for Stroke

Updated National Clinical Guideline for Stroke now available

The 2023 edition of the National Clinical Guideline for Stroke for the UK and Ireland is now available. Over half the recommendations are new or have been updated. Big changes in

the evidence base since the previous edition in 2016 have led to significant updates in three main areas:

- A big expansion of patients eligible for thrombolysis and thrombectomy
- More intensive interventions in secondary prevention – antiplatelets, cholesterol, blood pressure
- More intensive rehab in hospital and at home to promote motor and language recovery.

This is a 'five nations' guideline for the first time ever, covering all of the UK and the Republic of Ireland. The guideline is endorsed for use in clinical practice by the Royal College of Physicians (London), the Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network (SIGN) and the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Online-only publication

[CLICK HERE](#) for the plain language summary for people affected by stroke.

Over the next few Bulletins there will be links to each of the sections within the new guideline:

Acute - [CLICK HERE](#)

Rehabilitation and Recovery - [CLICK HERE](#)

BIASP Medical Student Essay Prize - Results

BIASP Medical Student Essay Prize 2023 Results

Commended Entry:
[Krishnika Vetrivel](#)

Click on name to read their essay



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



**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](#)

BIASP Green Stroke Care Blog



The BIASP Green Stroke Care blog aims to present issues of relevance and interest to those working to improve the sustainability of stroke care for the benefit of people and planet.

We welcome a range of blogs from all those working in stroke care and stroke survivors from projects to personal reflections – please get in touch if you would like to submit an item admin@biasp.org.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the blogs submitted

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.



Other Association discounts available for BIASP Members
[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



Research Updates & Opportunities



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

Research Article

Using cerebral small vessel disease as a model for developing novel blood-brain barrier imaging methods. [CLICK HERE](#) to read the article.

Atrial Fibrillation, Transient Ischaemic Attack and Stroke in older people: A themed collection in Age and Ageing journal

Please read [this free collection](#) of the latest research in the field and the [original commentary](#) which was commissioned to launch it.



Research Funding Opportunities 2023/2024

Following the response to the 2021 JLA PSP for stroke, [CLICK HERE](#)

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the advance notice of the funding calls planned for launch this year

Surveys

RCP 2022 census of UK consultants and SAS doctors

At this critical time for the NHS workforce throughout the UK, please help influence national policy by completing this year's Physicians' Census.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the non-personalised link to the survey

Community Rehabilitation Alliance (CRA)

**Recondition the Nation campaign
against deconditioning during hospital
stays - update**



[CLICK HERE](#) for a short update from Amit Arora (BGS VP and co-chair of the CRA)

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
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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 2023 for your diary, further details will follow:

Webinar 22: Lipids and new treatments - June 29

Webinar 23: Exercise interventions to promote cardiovascular health after stroke- Sep 21

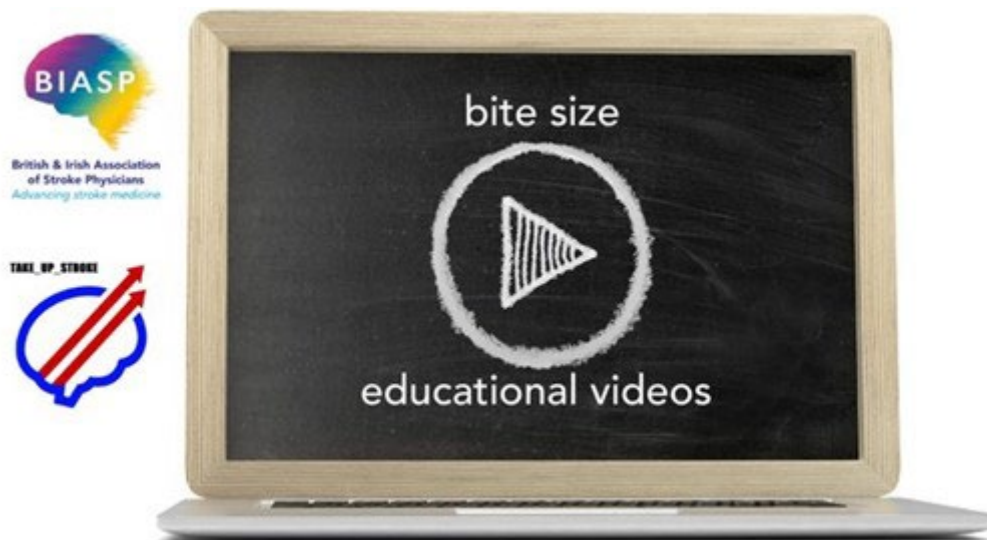
Webinar 24: Stroke in the elderly - Oct 18

Upcoming Webinar
Wednesday 31st May 17:30 - 18:30
BIASP Webinar 21 - Stroke Chameleons
Dr Niamh Hannon

[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.

Education

MRes in Stroke degree at Cardiff Met University for the 2023 entry

This FT or PT MRes in Stroke consists of:

3 taught modules each of 20 credits:

*2 are research methodology.

*1 module of clinical stroke from prehospital to longer term care

These 3 modules alone qualify for a PG cert.

The stroke module can be done alone to get 20 credits of CPD that can also be used as part of another qualification.

For the full MRes there is then a 120 credit research project and dissertation. The projects can be done back at the workplace.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

[CLICK HERE](#) for the link for MRes in Stroke

Master of Advanced Studies in Stroke Medicine 2024 - 2026

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer



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.

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

Different Strokes Charity for younger stroke survivors have a series of webinars every fortnight to engage with beneficiaries and health care professionals.

Webinars are accessible for all to see, [CLICK HERE](#)



Events

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

18th UKSF 2023 - SAVE THE DATE

ICC Birmingham

4-6 December 2023

[CLICK HERE](#) for information

Registration details to follow

Abstracts Submissions Open - Close 9 June 2023, [CLICK HERE](#)

ESOC 2023 24-26 May 2023

Key findings from ESOC 2023 24-
26/05/2023 are available [HERE](#)



National Conference in Medicine for the Older Person

University of Leicester [College Court Conference Centre](#),

Knighton Road, Leicester LE2 3UF

Wednesday 28th June 2023

The National Conference in Medicine for the Older Person is an excellent update on current issues in caring for the older person across all specialties. It is chaired by Prof Tom Robinson and Dr Jatinder Minhas and we invite you to join us for this highly informative CPD (6 point) accredited conference.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the programme

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

British Geriatrics Society
Improving healthcare for older people

2023 Trainees Meeting

Hybrid, in person and online
6-7 July, Manchester

Covering topics

- Stroke
- Rehabilitation
- Palliative Care
- Surgical liaison
- OncoGeriatrics
- Cognition

• Planning your

- career
- SCE exam preparation
- Quality improvement workshop



BGS

BGS 2023 Trainees Meeting

Save the Date, 6-7 July 2023

Registration is now open for the 2023 Trainees Meeting which is being held in Manchester this year (will also be available virtually).

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

The Trainees Meeting is always an excellent opportunity for care of the elderly trainees to come together (as well as those with a special interest/future career ambitions in geriatrics).



UK HEALTH
ALLIANCE ON
CLIMATE CHANGE

Net Zero Clinical Care Conference, London, 14 July 2023

BMJ and UKHACC present a new one-day in person conference to empower healthcare professionals to respond to the health emergency that climate change brings.

The conference will be free to attend.

[CLICK HERE](#) for further details on submission categories and process

The call for abstracts is now **OPEN**



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Stroke
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SAVE THE DATE – 2023 UK Stroke Research Workshop
26-27 September 2023
Building Centre, 26 Store St, London WC1E 7BT

The 2023 UK Stroke Research Workshop, organised under the auspices of the NIHR CRN Stroke Speciality and generously supported by the British and Irish Association of Stroke Physicians and the Stroke Association, will be held on 26th and 27th September 2023 in London. The meeting will be in person.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

Abstract submissions should be uploaded [HERE](#) by **30th June 2023**.

A number of fully funded bursaries (registration fees, accommodation and dinner as well as £100 towards travel) are available for medical students.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

WSC 2023!
October 10-12, 2023 | Toronto, Canada
Early Bird Registration Open

[CLICK HERE](#) to register to attend

The 15th World Stroke Congress (WSC 2023) will assemble the international stroke community to work together to reduce the burden of stroke by delivering improvements in prevention, treatment and recovery. Join global professionals to discuss the latest science, clinical trials, breakthroughs and guidelines to stroke prevention. Connect to a global network committed to provide quality stroke care through skill-building and high-quality research and help us keep the stroke community united at WSC 2023!

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

[CLICK HERE](#) for Young Investigator Award eligibility and rules

The fourth annual BRAIN Conference
Monday 4th until Wednesday 6th December 2023
etc.venues 155 Bishopsgate, London

Welcoming neuroradiologists, endovascular neurosurgeons and allied health professionals from all over the world, to attend this exciting and innovative meeting. International experts and key opinion leaders from across the world will once again be a part of the faculty and will provide education on a range of different topics, including stroke, aneurysms, new technology and much more!

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and registration

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](#), Norwich, closes 30 May

[Trust Doctor \(ST3 + Level\) in Stroke Medicine](#), London, closes 4 June

[Locum Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Swindon, closes 7 June

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Lincoln, closes 12 June

[Consultant Physician in Stroke Medicine](#), Merthyr Tydfil, closes 13 June

[Locum Stroke Consultant](#), Abergavenny, closes 14 June

[Consultant Stroke Physician](#), Orpington, closes 18 June

[Consultant Stroke Physician](#), Lancaster, closes 18 June

Other Job Opportunities

BHF Data Science Centre: Stroke Data Science Catalyst Associate Director post

A fantastic opportunity has arisen with the [BHF Data Science Centre](#) who are advertising for an Associate Director to lead the new [Stroke Data Science Catalyst](#).

The Stroke Data Science Catalyst is a new initiative which forms part of the BHF Data Science Centre through a partnership between the BHF, Stroke Association and the BHF Data Science Centre (led by HDR UK)

The deadline for applications is **4th June 2023** for more details [CLICK HERE](#):

Please contact bhfdsc@hdruk.ac.uk if you wish to discuss this position.

Research Registrar in Vascular Neurology to Professor Dominick McCabe

Dept. of Neurology, Tallaght University Hospital (TUH) / The Adelaide and Meath Hospital, Dublin, Incorporating the National Children's Hospital (AMNCH), Trinity College Dublin (TCD), ideally commencing September 1st 2023. The start date is negotiable and an earlier start date is also possible.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and how to apply

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the VNRF.ie website

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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