



**British & Irish Association
of Stroke Physicians**
Advancing stroke medicine
1999 - 2024

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BIASP Exec Message



Dr Louise Shaw
BIASP President-elect

This month I am writing having just returned from UKSF 2024 in Liverpool, which I'm confident all those of you who were fortunate enough to be there as well will agree, was a very successful meeting.

We had high attendance across the whole workforce as well as those with lived experience of stroke and of course our Stroke Association colleagues.

For those not already aware, the conference is financially underpinned two thirds by the Stroke Association and one third by BIASP, and many people work very hard all year to plan, deliver and then evaluate each meeting. Last year we listened carefully to feedback

from our BIASP membership which included concerns about the proportion of medical content of the conference and worked hard to improve that.

This year therefore saw the return of the Training Day on the Tuesday with 3 BIASP Training and Education sessions that afternoon: please let us know in the evaluation form if that worked for you this year. We also focused closely on the scientific sessions and abstract/poster content. I was personally grateful to those on the UKSF steering committee who took on board our BIASP concerns and enabled the increased medical content, despite the many competing demands on the total number of sessions available. We had a good turn out for our AGM which was right at the very start of the conference this year: 114 in total, with 45 non-members.

As always, I especially enjoyed the opportunity to network and catch up with so many colleagues, as well as meeting new people. Each year I come away from UKSF reflecting on how much I value our very special stroke community and how privileged I am to work with so many talented and inspiring people. Roll on Aberdeen in 2025!

If you visited the BIASP stand you will be aware that this is the 25th anniversary year of BIASP and we celebrated with some BIASP 25 merchandise on the stand. We were also delighted to invite all past presidents to attend the Executive dinner on the Tuesday night and those who made it were excellent company. Others who couldn't make it in person took the opportunity to send through messages and reflections on the 25 year history of BIASP and then BIASP.

Finally I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas, at least a few restful days off, and a peaceful, healthy and successful New Year. Particular thanks to all members the BIASP executive committee and all the subcommittees, for all your valued hard work on behalf of our members in 2024.

UKSF 2024 - Photos and Anniversary Messages





BIASP is 25

BIASP Past-president messages and reflections on the 25 year history

Martin Brown (2001 - 2003) - I am sorry that I cannot attend the BIASP President's Dinner this year. I would like to congratulate BIASP on reaching its 25th Anniversary. The organisation has come a long way since a small group of us met together in Yorkshire 25 years ago to discuss setting up a UK wide society to bring together physicians interested in stroke medicine. The aims were to encourage the development of the subspecialty. We grew out of a previous organisation, the Stroke Research Group, which subsequently disbanded. We realised that we needed to more than just discuss research, if we were to expand the interest in stroke medicine and improve the care of stroke patients. From the start, the Association has been unique in always encompassing physicians from different specialties interested in stroke care, research and organisation. We were also interested in training young physicians in stroke medicine, and the development of stroke specialist training programmes has gone a long way to developing the profession. I have to say, that in the last 25 years, BASP and more recently BIASP has gone from strength to strength. I can only be very impressed how many capable hands have contributed to the great success of the organisation today. Many congratulations again on the 25th Anniversary of the Association, and thank you David, as the current President of the Association for organising this celebration.

Tony Rudd (2003 - 2005) - I am delighted to see how well BIASP has developed in recent years. A fantastic job. Well done to all.

Peter Humphrey (2007 - 2009) – Greatly enjoyed and appreciated the invite to the BIASP 25th Anniversary dinner. Let's hope the next 25 years yields a similar improvement in Stroke care.

Peter Langthorne (2011 - 2013) - It was a lovely evening, we have had the privilege of witnessing some important changes. I was delighted to be invited and thrilled to witness the momentum within BIASP.

BIASP Award Winners

BIASP would like to congratulate the following recent award winners announced at UKSF:

President's Award - Professor Christine Roffe
Local Clinical Research Investigator Award - Dr Kirsty Harkness
Warlow Prize - Dr Hatice Ozkan

BIASP Trainees' Meeting 2025

The banner for the BIASP Trainees' Meeting 2025 features a purple header with the title. Below the header, on the left, is the BIASP logo and text: 'TRAINEES' MEETING 2025', 'Dublin Castle, Ireland', '6th - 7th March', and 'External CPD Approval'. At the bottom left, there are social media links for 'biasp.org', '@BIASPstroke', and the 'British & Irish Association of Stroke Physicians'. On the right side of the banner is a photograph of Dublin Castle, showing its historic stone walls and a large round tower, with a garden in the foreground.

Registration is now OPEN

The programme is now available for the BIASP Trainees Meeting 2025 taking place at Dublin Castle on the 6th and 7th March 2025. The topics are catered to the trainee curriculum; however, the meeting still provides an excellent resource for consultants, nurses, physician's associates, and other allied health professionals involved in stroke care.

Programme highlights:

- Pushing boundaries in hyperacute stroke care
- Update on surgical management of ICH/minimally invasive surgery of ICH
- Leadership Journey in Stroke Medicine – 'Finding your ikigai'
- SPAFI (Stroke Prevention and Atrial Fibrillation Ireland) Symposium
- Seizure as stroke mimic/Epilepsy after stroke
- Stroke in Pregnancy
- Programme for Stroke - QI in Swallow Screening Post-Stroke
- Secondary Prevention after AF-related stroke: Challenges and New Frontiers
- Update on CAA/ICH

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and to register

Early Bird closes 31 January 2025 at 23:59

BIASP Executive - New Appointment



Dr Patricia Gordon
Executive Lead for Northern Ireland

BIASP Honorary Member 2024



Professor Bryan Williams
Chief Scientific & Chief Medical
Officer, British Heart Foundation

Chairman of NICE Guidelines for
Hypertension 2013

Chairman of European Guidelines for HBP
management 2018

Chairman and Clinical Lead for RCPL team
leading to development of NEWS and
NEWS2

Fellow of AHA, ESC and RCPL

BIASP SAS Update

It was a great opportunity to participate and present in the UKSF 2024 EDI session which focussed on alternative career pathways to be an independent stroke physician.

This month's SAS (Specialty and Specialist) update is on:

- England workforce survey
- SAS charter
- The specialist contract

[CLICK HERE](#) to read Dr Jamil's report



Dr Sohaa Jamil
SAS Doctor Lead

BIASP Consensus Document -Tenecteplase

In our enthusiasm to provide a timely guidance statement on Tenecteplase – our wording highlighting the outcome of the recent TEMPO 2 trial, has potentially led to interpretation suggesting avoidance of thrombolysis in general in minor stroke.

To try and clarify this further we have adapted the previously released statement.

We apologise for any unclear messaging.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the adapted statement

BIASP Careers Page - FAQ's



Considering a career in stroke?

BIASP have produced a response to FAQs to guide you in your career choice.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information on:

Why should I consider career in stroke?

How do I become a stroke physician?

Who can apply for stroke sub-specialty training?

What does a typical training pathway look like for a stroke physician?

Careers for stroke physicians

Specialty and specialist doctors (SAS) career information

In October BIASP and NANSIG collaborated to run a half day webinar on

Stroke Careers: Shaping the Stroke Clinicians of the Future

[CLICK HERE](#) to view

New Training Route for Stroke Consultants

There is now a new GIM-Stroke training pathway programme available which will take 3 years to CCT.

The stroke curriculum allows for training in GIM coupled to stroke. GIM acts as a specialty and successful applicants would CCT in GIM. Stroke is the sub-specialty. The training programme will last for three years with two years of GIM and one year of stroke. Unlike the usual stroke recruitment, applicants will not already have an NTN. They will be able to apply while completing IMT3. All applicants will have to have completed IM stage 1 or equivalent before they start. All applicants will have to have MRCP or equivalent by interview. On successful completion of training, trainees would have a CCT in GIM and a sub-specialty CCT in Stroke Medicine.

The following may be useful:

[CLICK HERE](#) to watch Dr Anthony Pereira's webinar on Training Pathways

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the Careers & FAQ page on the BIASP website.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the physician higher specialty training recruitment website, this has a stroke section

[CLICK HERE](#) full details on how to apply

National recruitment process:

- Applications are now closed
- Start: February 2025

UK & ROI Acute Stroke Simulation Course



The UK and ROI Acute Stroke Simulation Course

The course is continuing to grow. The feedback from both candidates and faculty has been extremely positive. We have also started collating feedback from candidates at 3 and 6 months following the course.

Feedback has included:

"Really good feedback, the discussions after the scenario were just as useful as the scenarios themselves"

"Excellent course, will be recommending it to colleagues"

"Exceptionally well organised...those attending, really enjoyed the experience and visibly grew in confidence and ability with their management skills"

The course is multidisciplinary and open to anyone involved in acute stroke care.

[CLICK HERE](#) for all course information and registrations

Upcoming Dates and Venues:

28 February 2025: Withybush General Hospital - registration is **OPEN**

19 March 2025: Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford

7 May 2025: Waterford, Ireland

13 May 2025: Darent Valley Hospital, Dartford

20 May 2025: Royal Bournemouth Hospital, Bournemouth

9 June 2025: Southmead Hospital, Bristol

14 October 2025: Royal Bournemouth Hospital, Bournemouth

Upcoming locations with dates to follow:

Northampton, Wales, Ipswich, Liverpool, Sheffield, Wirral

We have developed a package that would include all the relevant materials including access to the scenarios and stroke simulation intranet.

Additional Sites:

We have identified other areas across the UK and ROI to deliver the course in 2025. If you would be interested in hosting a course please get in touch by emailing

ukstrokesimulation@gmail.com

Regional Leads:

We are seeking to identify individuals interested in coordinating the development and delivery of the course in their region. If you would be interested in becoming a regional lead please email

ukstrokesimulation@gmail.com



BIASP Medical Student Essay Prize 2024

BIASP Medical Student Essay Prize

Highly Commended

[Maria Selyanina](#)

[Ethan Murtagh](#)

Click on each name to read their essay



Have you personally seen or been involved with a patient who has suffered a stroke that has an inspirational story or important message about stroke for all?

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Flyer

If so, please consider writing a short essay.

We need 250 words or less before **7 February 2025**.

The prize for the winner/s is

- Free attendance at the BIASP Trainees' Meeting with the opportunity to present their case
- A bursary of £300 to help with travel and accommodation to attend the Trainees' Meeting

[CLICK HERE](#) for the application form

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.

With regards to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion please do complete these fields within your profile.

This will only take a few minutes.

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

Member Benefits & Discounts

Benefit for Associate members moving to Full membership

We value your support as a member of BIASP and would like to offer **20% discount** for the first year of Full membership.

Benefit for Current and New Members - LTFT 20% Discount

This benefit is for 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



20% discount when joining BSPRM

use code **BIASPMbr**

[CLICK HERE](#) to join



BIASP 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.

If you already have experience of being a mentor and/or have completed an equivalent course, and wish to become a BIASP mentor, then please email admin@biasp.org to register your interest

[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](#)

UKHACC

UKHACC - Evidence Based Policy Report
[Plant-powered Planet: Building a Healthy
& Sustainable Food System](#)

Produced in partnership with the Royal
College of Veterinary Surgeons, Plant-
Based Health Professionals and UK Kidney
Association



Global Action Plan - Clean Air Night

BIASP will be supporting Clean Air Night on 22nd January 2025 to raise awareness of the health and environmental implications of burning wood in homes including increasing risk of cardiovascular disease.

Visit cleanairnight.org.uk to find out more and join the conversation on #CleanAirNight

Neurological Alliance



THE NEUROLOGICAL ALLIANCE

The UK Neuro Forum is being established following the #BackThe1in6 campaign, which was supported by 19,000 people and 100 organisations, including BIASP. The forum is proof that when we work together, we can achieve real change.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about this landmark initiative

Help shape the involvement policy
We're developing a new policy around how we involve people living with or affected by neurological conditions in shaping our work as an alliance.

[CLICK HERE](#) to complete the survey

[Opportunity: Advisors needed – The Neurological Alliance](#)

The Neurological Alliance (England) is looking for a range of individuals to assist the Trustee Board with strategic leadership, guidance and specialised advice to help ensure

that the organisation is well managed, forward thinking and resources are used appropriately. We are particularly keen to appoint advisors with clinical expertise.

Those interested are asked to express their interest no later than **14th January 2025**

[CLICK HERE](#) to find out more about the roles

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.

NICE Final Guidance - Tenecteplase for treating acute ischaemic stroke [ID6306]

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the final guidance which was published in July 2024

Easing the Pain Report

The **Chartered Society of Physiotherapy** are pleased to share their refreshed **Easing the Pain** report and resources which highlights the lack of access to rehab services for marginalised communities.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the report

[CLICK HERE](#) for the powerpoint slide with all recommendations

[CLICK HERE](#) for nation leaflets

To see the world through the eyes of patient Alice, on her journey through rehab after a health crisis, [CLICK HERE](#)

Specialty Stroke Medicine in the electronic Referral Service (e-RS)

The electronic Referral Service (e-RS) in England have had a number of users asking for Stroke Medicine Specialty with Stroke (not TIA) clinic type to be created in the e-RS system as this currently sits under the following two specialties:

- Geriatric Medicine / Stroke (not TIA)
- Neurology / Stroke (not TIA)

This has been voted on, as a change that would help GPs find the service, help consultants find their own specialty and referral workflows.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

British Society of Neuroradiology - Online Study Day



BRITISH SOCIETY OF
NEURORADIOLOGISTS

The **British Society of Neuroradiology** is running an online stroke imaging study day. It is aimed at those not necessarily reporting the scans themselves.

31 January 2025

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

NANSIG - Upcoming Neurology Study



DATES - DelAys in TIA Evaluation and Service is an audit around TIA clinics and their adherence to NICE and National Clinical Guideline for Stroke guidance.

NANSIG e are launching a study relating to cerebrovascular disease and stroke care and are looking for interested consultants, resident doctors, medical students, and stroke nurses to help set this centres across the UK and Ireland!

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

Different Strokes



Different Strokes have new services and events coming up in the next few weeks

NEW service - Carers support virtual meetings, [CLICK HERE](#) for information and dates

Recently redesigned and developed children's resources FREE to order for survivors and healthcare professionals, [CLICK HERE](#)

Bursary fund for private physiotherapy and rehabilitation, [CLICK HERE](#)

Research Updates & Opportunities



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

Updates

Tenecteplase versus alteplase for acute stroke within 4.5 h of onset (ATTEST-2)

The ATTEST-2 trial was published in Lancet neurology in November of this year by Professor Muir and colleagues.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the article

Surveys

Invitation to Participate in the REACT Survey – endorsed by WSO & ESO

You are invited to you to participate in the investigator-initiated (non-industry) international survey, **REACT**, which stands for **RE**perfusion and reversal therapy in **Anticoagulated aCute sTroke** patients.

Participation in the survey will be acknowledged: depending on the journal's guidelines, you will either be listed as a collaborator or if possible as a full co-author in the final publication.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the survey

Closes 31 January

Study from the University of Edinburgh designed to explore whether colour vision deficiency (CVD) impacts the ability of clinicians to read colour perfusion maps produced from CT perfusion scans

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more

If you would like to take part in this study, please follow the link below which will provide more information about the study and take you to the online questionnaire.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Survey on the Global Status and Perceptions of Stroke Rehabilitation & Telerehabilitation

The survey was developed and validated by a team of stroke experts from the World Stroke Organization (WSO) Future Leaders Program to understand the role of telerehabilitation and identify areas of opportunities and improvements. Understanding the current landscape of stroke telerehabilitation will help address resource gaps and influence policy-making to enhance stroke care.

The survey comprises 6 brief questions on conventional rehabilitation and up to 27 brief questions on telerehabilitation. Your participation is crucial, and all responses will be anonymous. Expect the survey to take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the survey

Funding

The Stroke Association - Research Funding Schemes Open

At the start of November, the Stroke Association will be opening applications for three of our 2023-24 research awards.



All three awards have Clinical-Academic pathways where candidates can combine research with clinical practice.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the main webpage. Click on each of awards below for information:



NIHR Local Authority Academic Fellowship Programme and Associated Opportunities

New opportunities from NIHR for people working in local authorities, social care setting and 3rd sector. There are a range of funding opportunities from short placement up to PhD and advanced.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information



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

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:

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.

BIASP Webinar 35

Topic: The Future of Ambulance Stroke Triage

Date: Wednesday 22 January 2025

Time: 17:30 - 18:30

Speaker: Prof Chris Price and Mr Angus Ramsay

[CLICK HERE](#) to register



Chris is Professor of Stroke and Applied Research, an honorary NHS consultant and NIHR National Specialty Lead for Stroke.

He is chief investigator of studies evaluating new emergency pathways and diagnostics to improve access to treatments and service efficiency, funded by NIHR and Innovate UK.

Dates for your diary, further details will follow:

Upcoming Webinars

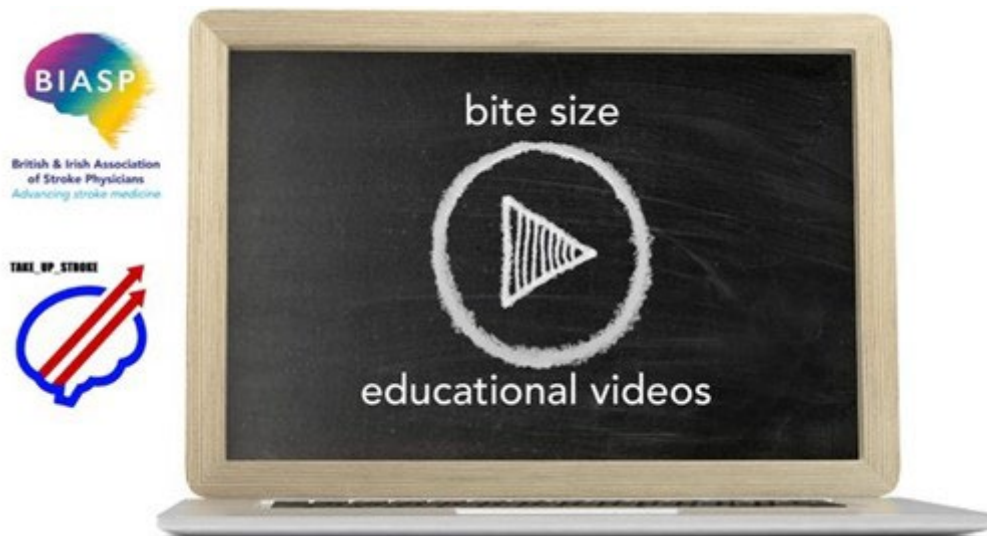
Webinar 36: Post stroke seizures, Maha Abdulghani, **26 February 2025**

Webinar 37: Treatment strategies to reduce stroke risk in atrial fibrillation - perspectives from the cardiothoracic surgeon, Mahmoud Abdelaziz , **19 March 2025**

Webinar 38: Carotid artery disease and Stroke, Shane MacSweeney, **16 April 2025**

Webinar 39: MT for acute stroke “ with latest evidence-based trials and our current pathway at NUH, Luqman Malik, **21 May 2025**

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

Stroke MSc Programme at UCL

We are excited to be looking for applicants from all disciplines (nursing, medicine, therapies) for the **2025 Stroke Medicine MSc programme at UCL**.

We are in our 9th year & over this time we have welcomed students who have completed projects supervised by **ION leading experts** including names you may already know : Prof Werring, Dr Perry, Dr Chandratheva, Dr Simister, Prof Leff and Prof Ward.

We have a very high pass rate with an overall high number of distinctions awarded every year (>50%).

There is also a fees only bursary of £5000 available which will be competitively allocated. The course can be taken full or part time (over two years).

Applications are now open for 2025, please follow the link for more information and watch this space for next year's application window.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access this link

**WSA have launched their e-learning module
'Enhancing Stroke Care: WSO Global Stroke Guidelines'**

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the module

Neurotorium, Neurobehavioral Consequences of Stroke (NBCS) is now online

Five educational slide decks have been published (the 6th deck, stroke syndromes, is being developed at the moment), illustrations, an article on post-stroke language impairments, and the educational expert videos are available, [CLICK HERE](#)

These educational materials are free



Improving stroke services: lessons from the latest NIHR research

Do you care for people recovering from stroke?

Are you interested in finding out how research could help?

Catch up on the NIHR webinar which covers how research could help improve the stroke journey, from assessment to discharge and rehabilitation.

[CLICK HERE](#)

New Zealand Stroke Education Charitable Trust

The New Zealand charitable Stroke Education Trust (NZSET) offers a set of free, best-practice evidenced, internationally endorsed tutorials of general care and rehabilitation video procedures. These can be used by individuals with stroke and/or their family members to improve their post-stroke recovery and reduce the chance of post-stroke complications. NZSET also offers a free, internationally endorsed and validated Stroke Riskometer app for primary and secondary stroke prevention.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access Stroke Prevention and Recovery Videos

Master of Research in Stroke

Stroke Hub Wales, a collaborative hub for stroke research, innovation, and education based out of Cardiff Metropolitan University.

The entirely online program offers three distinct options for a global stroke workforce who needs an educational program that adapts to their busy schedules:

1. A **short course in Stroke**, [CLICK HERE](#) for flyer
2. A **Postgraduate Certificate in Stroke**
3. A full **Master of Research in Stroke** (MRes Stroke), [CLICK HERE](#) for flyer

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit Stroke Hub Wales



For the SSEF role profile library on:

- Advanced Clinical Practitioners
- Nurses

- Occupational Therapists
- Therapy Assistants and more
- Physician Associate

[CLICK HERE](#)

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](#)



British Society of Echocardiography (BSE)

The British Society of Echocardiography (BSE) and partners are delighted to share updated resources designed to assist with triaging of echo referrals in emergency inpatient and critical care.

- The new guidance includes the following changes:
- New recommendations using NT-proBNP age cut-offs to help with triage for suspected acute heart failure
- Updated guidance on echocardiography in myocardial infarction
- Updated triage guidance for stroke

[CLICK HERE](#) to read in full

Events

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

UK
STROKE FORUM

SAVE THE DATE

UK Stroke Forum 2025

25-27 November 2025

From early till late

P&J Live Aberdeen

E Burn Rd, Aberdeen AB21 9FX



2025 marks the 20th anniversary of The UK Stroke Forum to be hosted by the city of Aberdeen in its brand new, cutting edge P&J Live exhibition and conference centre adjacent to the airport and abundant accommodation options. Aberdeen offers the opportunity to experience the warm hospitality of the north east of Scotland and with Royal Deeside on its doorstep, discover some of the most beautiful, unspoilt scenery Scotland has to offer.

Join us in the Granite city as we celebrate our 20th year and bring you the very latest in stroke care **#UKSF25**

Click here for more information:
stroke.org.uk/professionals/uk-stroke-forum

Hosted by






TRAINEES' MEETING 2025

Dublin Castle, Ireland

6th - 7th March

External CPD Approval



 biasp.org
 [@BIASPstroke](https://twitter.com/BIASPstroke)
 British & Irish Association of Stroke Physicians

Registration is OPEN

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

The programme will be catered to the trainee curriculum; however, the meeting still provides an excellent resource for consultants, nurses, physician's associates, and other allied health professionals involved in stroke care.

- 1st trainee meeting in Ireland after BIASP rebranding in 2021
 - Dublin Castle as the Venue
 - Best Conference Fee to CPD ratio.
- It's followed by the weekend, maybe some sightseeing

Early Bird closes 31 January 2025 at 23:59



The National Dementias Conference

Date(s): 6-7 February 2025

Location: Minster Court, London

Sold out for the past two years in a row, this is a hugely successful in-person and live-streamed event that has attracted over 200+ in-person attendees and 100 online attendees annually. Also chaired by John O'Brien and Alistair Burns, this conference will bring together some of the leading specialists in dementia care and research.

[CLICK HERE](#) for registration and the programme

Discount Code for BIASP members: **BIASPDEM20**
Enter the code at registration to receive 20% off registration

Northern Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals 
NHS Foundation Trust

Stroke Masterclass

Date: 26 February 2025

Location: Forest Pines, Double Tree by Hilton, Brigg, DN20 0AQ

[CLICK HERE](#) to register your interest

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer



European Life After Stroke Forum

Date(s): 10-11 March 2025

Location: Clarion Congress Hotel, Prague

Registration is **Open** - [CLICK HERE](#)

Abstracts Closed



2025 BGS Spring Meeting

Date(s): 9-11 April 2025
Location: Belfast and online
Early bird deadline: **11 February 2025**

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and to register
Call for abstracts for abstracts – closes 5pm 10 January 2025

[CLICK HERE](#) to submit abstract

Management of Acute Dizziness and Vertigo Course

Acute vertigo course run jointly by Neurology, Audiovestibular Medicine and Physiotherapy.

Date: 25 April 2025
Location: St George's University of London, Tooting, London or Online

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



**THE INTERNATIONAL
BNA2025
FESTIVAL OF NEUROSCIENCE**

27th-30th April 2025 | Liverpool, UK

BNA British Neuroscience Association

Register today and save! Early bird registration is now open

International Festival of Neuroscience (BNA2025)

Date(s): 27 - 30 April 2025

Location: ACC Liverpool

[CLICK HERE](#) or more information and to register



2025 Trainees in Geriatric Medicine Meeting

Date(s): 15 - 16 May 2025

Location: Leeds

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and to register

Early bird deadline: **16 March 2025**

Call for Abstracts - closes 5pm 3 March 2025

[CLICK HERE](#) to submit abstract

ESOC 2025
11th European Stroke Organisation
Conference

Date(s): 21-23 May 2025
Location: Helsinki, Finland



[CLICK HERE](#) for information
[CLICK HERE](#) to register

1st German Stroke Congress (DSG2025)

Date(s): 4 - 6 September 2025

Location: Henry Ford Building in Berlin

Topics of the congress:

Tenecteplase: First clinical experience in Germany
Prehospital stroke management: organisation and implementation
Surgery for intracerebral hemorrhage: Have you already arrived in the routine?
Endovascular Stroke Care: Possibilities and Limitations
Stroke Networks: Organization of Stroke Care
Telemedicine for stroke: Where is the journey heading?

Further information and details for registration to follow.

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 Stroke Medicine](#), Portsmouth, closes 29 December

[Consultant in Stroke with General Internal Medicine](#), Chertsey, closes 31 December

[Consultant Stroke](#), Wolverhampton, closes 2 January

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Lincoln, closes 3 January

[Consultant Stroke Physician](#), Bristol, closes 6 January

[Consultant \(Stroke\) Physician](#), Lancaster, closes 6 January

[Consultant Physician with an interest in Stroke Medicine](#), Wrexham, closes 7 January
[Consultants in Healthcare for the Older Person and Stroke Medicine](#), Barnstaple, closes 19 January
[Consultant in Medicine for the Elderly/Stroke Medicine and ScotCOM Hub Development](#), Kirkcaldy, closes 24 January

Other Opportunities

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital in Western Australia Stroke fellowship

Open from the end of January 2025
Suitable for subspecialty stroke training
[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

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 **free online 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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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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