



MAIN PROGRAMME
14-17 April 2026

TUESDAY, 14 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billiard Room

12:30 - 17:00 British Neurosurgical Trainees Association (BNTA) and the British Neurosurgical Trainee Research Collaborative (BNTRC) Symposium

Designing Research Studies and Obtaining Funding
Speakers agenda to be confirmed by BNTRC/BNTA

Full details are on the conference website <https://www.sbns.org.uk/event-calendar/harrogate-2026/programme.html> and on the conference app

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 1 - Ballroom

09:30 - 17:00 Registration

10:30 - 12:30 Lifelong Learning Session - Getting Research and New Innovations into Clinical Practice

Chairs: Stephen Price and Michael Jenkinson

10:30 - 10:40	NIHR trial funding: how to generate commissioned calls	Michael Jenkinson Prof. of Neurosurgery	University of Liverpool & Walton Centre NHS Trust
10:40 - 11:00	How can implementation science move us from eminence to evidence based practice in surgery.	Arabella Scantlebury Deputy Director Centre for Evidence and Implementation Science	University of Birmingham
11:00 - 11:20	How should we get innovations into clinical practice	Jane Blazeby Professor of Surgery, University of Bristol	University of Bristol, UK
11:20 - 11:40	Commercialising your innovation - my experiences	Louise Allen, Consultant Paediatric Ophthalmologist	Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Trust, UK
11:40 - 12:00	AI technology - into practice - my experiences	Jonathan Shapey, Senior Clinical Lecturer & Honorary Consultant Neurosurgeon	Kings College, London, UK
12:00 - 12:10	NIHR Be Part of Research programme: engaging patients in brain-related research	Clare Shaw Senior Stakeholder Engagement Manager	RDN Coordinating Centre
12:10 - 12:30	Discussion/Q & A		

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billiard Room

12:15 - 13:30 GE Health Care Skills Workshop - An Introduction to iUS for Neurosurgery. Must be pre booked to attend - only 14 places available. See conference web page for more details



Harrogate Suite

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch and Exhibition - Carriage Suite

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026


Lecture Theatre 1 - Ballroom

13:30 - 13:35	Welcome Address	Peter Hutchinson SBNS President & Michael Jenkinson SBNS Vice President, Innovations	Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, UK University of Liverpool & Walton Centre NHS Trust
13:35 - 14:00	Sir Victor Horsley Lecture		
	Introduction	Stephen Price Prof. of Neurosurgery	University of Cambridge, UK
	Improving the Quality of Surgical Trials	Jane Blazeby Professor of Surgery	University of Bristol, UK

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billiard Room

WM1	14:00 - 15:30	Hot Topics Session 3 x 15 mins and 4 x 10 mins		
		Chairs: Peter Hutchinson and Nigel Mendoza		
WM1-1	14:00	Safe Neurosurgery 30+ years on	Barrie White Consultant Neurosurgeon	Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
	14:15	The Role of a NNAP Fellow	Adam Williams NNAP Vice Chair	North Bristol NHS Trust, UK
	14:30	Neurosurgical curriculum	Donald MacArthur Past SAC Chair	Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
	14:40	The Power of the Pass Marks: Examination and the Making of a Safe Practice	Surajit Basu Chair of the Intercollegiate Exam Board, Neurosurgery	Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
	14:50	Parenting and carer responsibilities in training	Ian Kamaly SBNS Bullying & Mentoring Representative	Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, UK
	14:55	Sexual Misconduct	Ian Kamaly SBNS Bullying & Mentoring Representative & Deborah Ferguson SAC Representative for Bullying, Undermining, and Harassment	Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, UK Salford Royal Hospital, Manchester, UK
	15:10	Reception Arrangements for Ministry of Defence Patients (RAMP)	Neil Buxton & Guy Wynne-Jones SBNS RAMP Representatives	Walton Centre NHS Trust, Liverpool, UK Royal Hospital, Newcastle, UK
	15:25	DISCUSSION		

15:30 - 16:00 Tea and Coffee & Exhibition - Carriage Suite				15:30 - 16:00 Tea and Coffee & Exhibition - Carriage Suite					
WM2	16:00 - 17:30	Free Paper Session- Trauma 1 x 15 mins, 7 x 8 mins & 1 x 10 mins		WP1	16:00 - 17:30	Free Paper Session - Oncology Meningioma/Skull Base 1 x 15 mins, 6 x 8 mins & 1 x 15 mins			
		Chairs: Catherine McMahon & Duncan Henderson				Chairs: Jonathan Shapey & Alvaro Villabona			
	16:00	What are the unanswered clinical questions in Trauma Neurosurgery	Christopher Uff Professor of Neurosurgery and Head of Neurotrauma	Barts Health NHS Trust, London, UK	16:00	What are the unanswered clinical questions in Oncology and Skull Base neurosurgery	Michael Jenkinson Prof. of Neurosurgery Charlotte Hammerbeck - Ward Consultant Neurosurgeon	University of Liverpool & Walton Centre NHS Trust University Hospital Sussex NHS Trust	
WM2-1	16:15	Objective biomarkers of sports-related concussion and recovery: protocol for the Podium Multimodal Concussion Study	S. Momin	Podium Institute, University of Oxford, UK	WP1-1	16:15	IMPACT-2: a risk-stratified trial of watchful waiting versus active intervention in incidental meningioma	A. Islim	University of Manchester, UK
WM2-2	16:23	Randomised Evaluation of Surgical teChniquesfor patients Undergoing Emergency Cranial Decompression (RESCUE CD –TBI)	E. Viaroli	University of Cambridge, UK	WP1-2	16:23	The cytokine response to meningioma surgery in seizure and seizure-naive patients	W. Cook	University of Cambridge, UK
WM2-3	16:31	MAST Trials –Optimizing the management of antiepileptic drugs in TBI patients	E. Viaroli	University of Cambridge, UK	WP1-3	16:31	International Consensus to Define Outcomes and Outcome Measurement Instruments for Clinical Effectiveness Trials and Clinical Studies of Untreated Intracranial Meningioma (COSMIC-2): A Protocol	A. L. Clynych	The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK
WM2-4	16:39	Timing of Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis for adult patients with Traumatic Brain Injury (TOP-TBI): a pragmatic, randomised trial	E. Viaroli	University of Cambridge, UK	WP1-4	16:39	Balance symptom trajectories and predictors following Gamma Knife radiosurgery for vestibular schwannoma: a retrospective case	C. Comon	National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, London, UK
WM2-5	16:47	Pre-operative Platelet Transfusion for Chronic Subdural Haematoma – A Retrospective Cohort Study	C. Gillespie	University of Cambridge, UK	WP1-5	16:47	Surgical Site Infections in Tubular Retractor-assisted Minimal Invasive Parafascicular Approach versus Conventional Craniotomy in Neuro-oncology: A Multicentre Cohort Study	V. Prasad	King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, UK
WM2-6	16:55	Depression as a factor of gut-brain dysfunction and worse psychological outcomes in Traumatic Brain Injury at a Major Trauma Centre: Preliminary Results of the CAROLINA-MTC Study.	E. Maerz. Engstler	King's College London, UK	WP1-6	16:55	Incidental Fourth Ventricular Subependymoma - surgical resection is not required	I. Leigh	The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK
WM2-7	17:03	Time To Restarting Anticoagulation in Chronic Subdural Haematoma – A Single Centre Retrospective Study	S. W. Yang	Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, UK	17:03	SYNTHECEL™ Dura Repair – A new benchmark, Making a material difference in dura reconstruction <i>Sponsored by Johnson and Johnson</i>	Wojciech Czaja R&D DePuy Synthes		
	17:11	NIHR HealthTech Research Centre (HRC) in Brain Injury: Innovation Landscape and Funding Opportunities	Peter Hutchinson SBNS President	Addenbrook's Hospital, Cambridge, UK					
WM3	17:30 - 18:30	Short Oral Session - Mixed Topics 1 x 7 mins & 15 x 3 mins		WP2	17:30 - 18:30	Short Oral Session - Mixed Topics 1 x 7 mins & 16 x 3 mins			
		Chairs: Eduardo Viarolin and Sam Hettige				Chairs: Crispin Wigfield and Yahia Al-Tamimi			
WM3-1	17:30	President's Award Talk Beyond the single corridor: multi-portal approaches to skull base surgery	C. Cernei	North Bristol NHS Trust, UK	WP2-1	17:30	President's Award Talk Cambridge-Liverpool Lectures in Jordan	L. Al Nusair	The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK
WM3-2	17:37	Use of oxygen therapies in the management of postoperative pneumocephalus: A systematic review.	M. H. Majeethia	University of Leicester, UK	WP2-2	17:37	Bilateral Cavernous Sinus Aneurysms Causing Pituitary Dysfunction: Illustrative Case and Systematic review	A. Rane	North Bristol NHS Trust, UK
WM3-3	17:40	Improving Continuity of Care and Communication through a Clinical Team–Led Digital Handover System in Neurosurgery	K. R. Purushottaman	University Hospital of Wales, UK	WP2-3	17:40	Giant pituitary adenomas: lessons from a single centre cohort study	I. Sousa	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, UK
WM3-4	17:43	Approaching Families in Neuro-Critical Care: A Literature Review on Best Practices for Research Recruitment and Communication	C. Back	Cambridge University Hospital, UK	WP2-4	17:43	Adherence To Hydrocortisone Protocol Following Endoscopic Transsphenoidal Surgery.	Z. Khanam	University of Dundee - Medical School, UK
WM3-5	17:46	Perceptions of Neurosurgery as a Career Choice among Final Year Medical Students in Malaysia: A Cross-Sectional Study	K. R. Purushottaman	University Hospital of Wales, UK	WP2-5	17:46	Novel BRAF:2BTB20 Fusion in an Infratentorial Pilocytic Astrocytoma	Y. W. Belisha	Royal College of Surgeons Ireland
WM3-6	17:49	Gender and Geographic Inequities in the Global Neurosurgical Workforce: A Scoping Review	I. Da. Silva	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh & Royal Hospital for Children and Young People, UK	WP2-6	17:49	Gamma knife radiosurgery as treatment for rare pulmonary artery sarcoma-derived brain metastases	J. Feng	National Neuroscience Institute, Singapore

WM3-7	17:52	Multispectral Imaging in Neurosurgery: A Review and Implementation Guide	Z. A. Papalois	Imperial College London, UK	WP2-7	17:52	Diffuse pachy meningeal convexity dural recurrence of olfactory neuroblastoma: A case report and literature review	A. Zahran	Hull University Teaching Hospitals, UK
WM3-8	17:55	Cognitive Task Analysis and Artificial Intelligence in Neurosurgery for Surgical Scene Understanding and Decision-Making Support	Z. A. Papalois	Imperial College London, UK	WP2-8	17:55	Exploring the Role of AI and Machine Learning in Ultrasound Imaging: A Scoping Review and Implications for Intraoperative Neuro-Oncology	A. Rane	North Bristol NHS Trust, UK
WM3-9	17:58	Towards Green Neurosurgery: A Cost-Consequence Analysis of Innovations Supporting Sustainable Surgical Practice	Z. A. Papalois	Imperial College London, UK	WP2-9	17:58	Predicting and prognosing early intracranial haemorrhage in acute promyelocytic leukaemia: a review of clinical, biochemical and radiological markers	T. Sawant	Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
WM3-10	18:01	A Systematic Review of Prehabilitation Strategies in Degenerative Cervical Myelopathy	E. Cohen	School of Clinical Medicine, University of Cambridge, UK	WP2-10	18:01	Hidden Complications of Anterior Skull Base Surgery: A case of Occult CSF Leak	E. Saravana Kumar	St Georges University Hospital NHS Trust, London, UK
WM3-11	18:04	A Systematic Review of Pain in Degenerative Thoracic Myelopathy	Z. Li	University of Cambridge School of Clinical Medicine, UK	WP2-11	18:04	Invasive neuromodulation of the central nervous system in painful trigeminal neuropathy: a systematic review	W. Cook	University of Cambridge, UK
WM3-12	18:07	Left T8-9 Transthoracic Rib-sparing Retropleural Direct Lateral Excision of a Calcified Intradural Thoracic Disc	J. M. W. Robins	Leeds General Infirmary, UK	WP2-12	18:07	Perioperative liposomal bupivacaine for postoperative pain control in cranial neurosurgery: a systematic review	E. Jamileh	East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust, UK
WM3-13	18:10	An Illustrative Case Report of Endoscopically Treated Rare Compressive Cervical Spine Pseudogout Presented with Myelopathy.	S. Chowdhury	The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust, UK	WP2-13	18:10	Does Middle Meningeal Artery Embolisation Reduce Recurrence of Chronic Subdural Haematoma? A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomised Trials	E. Jamileh	East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust, UK
WM3-14	18:13	Measuring RE AIM in Spine Surgery: Metrics and Variability Across Intervention Types and Settings	Z. Li	University of Cambridge, UK	WP2-14	18:13	Drain Practices Following Surgical Evacuation of Chronic Subdural Hematoma	M. Elhendawy	University Hospital of Wales, UK
WM3-15	18:16	A single centre retrospective review of consent conformity to professional standard for lumbar surgery (microdiscectomy and decompression); what can we learn?	G. Anyaegbunam	University of Glasgow, UK	WP2-15	18:16	The Monro-Kellie Doctrine in Infancy: Dual Case Evidence of Developmental Exception	S.M. Estrella	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, UK
WM3-16	18:19	Surgical Management of Post Traumatic Syringomyelia: A Systematic Review.	S. Chowdhury	The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust, UK	WP2-16	18:19	Evaluation of the incidence of sinus pericranii in children with brain tumours	F. Afshari	Birmingham Children's Hospital, UK
	18:22				WP2-17	18:22	Utility of Routine Preoperative Blood Tests in Elective Paediatric Neurosurgery: A Retrospective Audit at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh (2022–2025)	I. Sousa	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, UK
	18:30	Walk to Welcome Reception				18:30	Walk to Welcome Reception		
	19:00 - 21:30	Welcome Reception - Cold Bath Brewery				19:00 - 21:30	Welcome Reception - Cold Bath Brewery		

THURSDAY, 16 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 1 - Ballroom

06:30 - 07:15 5K (non-competitive) early morning run round the local area (approximately 30 mins). Route map on the conference app. Please meet in the lobby of the Majestic Hotel at 6.30 am - back at 7.15 am. Led Prof. Michael Jenkinson



07:45 - 16:30 Registration

A light breakfast will be served for those attending the breakfast seminar

08:00 - 09:00 BREAKFAST SEMINAR

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Chairs: Ryan Mathew

08:00 - 09:00 Management of mIDH Low Grade Glioma: Practical Implementation and Experience

Ryan Mathew
Associate Professor
in Neurosurgery
&
Liam Welsh
Consultant Clinical
Oncologist

University of Leeds &
Leeds Teaching
Hospitals NHS Trust
&
The Royal Marsden,
NHS Foundation Trust

Discussion/Q & A

TM1 09:00 - 10:30 Free Paper Session - General
9 x 10 mins

Chairs: Sandeep Solanki and Neeraj Kalra

09:00

Diana Beck Essay Prize
When urinary catheters stay too long: The hidden link between constipation, prolonged indwelling urinary catheterisation and urinary tract infections in neurosurgical patients

Kanza Tariq

National Hospital for
Neurology and
Neurosurgery, London, UK

TM1-1 09:10

250 Years of Neurosurgery in Leeds – From Trepanation in the Industrial Revolution to Modern Innovation

L. Steele, Saukila

Leeds Teaching Hospitals
NHS Trust, UK

TM1-2 09:20

Optimal timing of cranioplasty post-decompressive craniectomy in traumatic brain injury: a systematic review, meta-analysis, and overview of ongoing trials

A. Thamilmaran

UCL Medical School,
London, UK

TM1-3 09:30

Predictors of Cranioplasty Infection Following Decompressive Craniectomy: A single-centre retrospective study.

J. Sheppard

Salford Royal Hospital,
Manchester, UK

TM1-4 09:40

Adult Cranioplasty Outcomes and Potential Predictors of Reoperation: A Retrospective Study

H. Keelan

Southampton General
Hospital, UK

TM1-5 09:50

Time to surgery in acute subdural haematoma- a systematic review and meta-analysis

R. Mahdiyar

School of Medicine,
Lancaster University, UK

TM1-6 10:00

Bolt-connected versus tunnelled external ventricular drains: a systematic review and meta-analysis comparing accuracy and complications

T. Ansari

Airedale NHS Foundation
Trust, UK

TM1-7 10:10

Critical Appraisal of Clinical Prediction Models in Neurosurgery

M. Kingham

Cambridge University
Hospitals NHS Foundation
Trust, UK

TM1-8 10:20

Innovating for Accessibility: SMART Hands, The First Low-Cost Microsurgical Simulation Training for Medical Students in Nepal and Its Educational Impact

P. Subedi

Oxford University Clinical
Research Unit, UK

THURSDAY, 16 September 2026

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billard Room

TP1 09:00 - 10:30 Free Paper Session - Global
1 x 20 mins & 7 x 8 mins

Chairs: Nigel Mendoza, Simon Thomson and Alistair Jenkins

09:00

Alan and Diana Karter Lecture
Neurosurgery in Nepal: A Shared UK-Nepal Experience

Rajiv Jha
President, Nepalese
Society of
Neurosurgeons

Bir Hospital, NAMS and Norvic
International Hospital, Nepal

Howra Ktayen
ST6 Neurosurgery
Trainee

Leeds General Infirmary, UK

09:20

Discussion

TP1-1 09:25

The Global Epidemiology and Outcomes after Traumatic Brain Injury (GEO-TBI) registry: A TBI Audit and Research Platform – Status Update and Ongoing Research

Z. Li

University of Cambridge, UK

TP1-2 09:33

Risk Factors for Prolonged Hospital Stay in Patients with Head Trauma: A Single Center Study in a Low-Middle Income.

A. Abbas

Leeds Teaching Hospitals

TP1-3 09:41

Coagulopathy in moderate and severe traumatic brain injury; A prospective study in a trauma centre of a developing country

A. Aruna

National Hospital for Neurology
and Neurosurgery, London, UK

TP1-4 09:49

Non-Operative Neurosurgical ICU Admissions in Geriatrics: An Observational Study of Patterns, Indications, and Outcomes

M. AL Sarmi

Royal College of Surgeons,
Ireland

TP1-5 09:57

Clinical and Neurological Determinants of ICU Mortality in Elderly Neurosurgical Patients: A Retrospective Study

M. Al. Sarmi

Royal College of Surgeons,
Ireland

TP1-6 10:05

Impact of Hurricane Melissa on Neurosurgery Care in Jamaica: Implications for Disaster Preparedness

M. Myers

Hull Royal Infirmary, UK

TP1-7 10:13

Establishment of National Brain Tumour Centre in Nepal: Building a Comprehensive Brain Tumour Registry and Care Network

N. Khadka

Bir Hospital, National Academy
of Medical Sciences

10:30 - 11:00 Tea and Coffee and Exhibition - Carriage Suite

**TM2 11:00 - 13:00 Free Paper Session - Spine
1 x 15 mins & 9 x 10 mins**

Chairs: Jake Timothy and Siddharth Vankipuram

	11:00	What are the unanswered clinical questions in Spine Neurosurgery?	Aminul Ahmed RCS/SBNS SSL Spine Lead	Kings College Hospital, London, UK
TM2-1	11:15	Outcomes from the use of intraoperative neuromonitoring for intramedullary spinal cord tumours – a single surgeon case series	W. Sage	Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
TM2-2	11:25	From Alert to Outcome: A Service Evaluation of Intra-operative Monitoring Findings and Associated Recovery Trajectories in Resection of Spinal Lesions	Z. Li	University of Cambridge School of Clinical Medicine, UK
TM2-3	11:35	Myxopapillary ependymoma – should we consider earlier intervention for small lumbar intradural tumours?	W. Sage	Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
TM2-4	11:45	K-line guided approach selection and outcomes assessment for Cervical Ossification of Posterior Longitudinal Ligament (OPLL)	M. I. Khan	Punjab Institute of Neurosciences, India
TM2-5	11:55	Perioperative Imaging in Arachnoid Web Resection: Cord Signal Change and Clinical Correlation in a Single-Centre Series	Z. Li	Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, UK
TM2-6	12:05	Freehand pedicle screw fixation in dorso-lumbar trauma: a prospective 480-patient study evaluating accuracy, safety, and clinical outcomes	A. Azizkhan	Ayub Teaching Hospital Abbottabad KPK Pakistan
TM2-7	12:15	Spinal Surgery in Nonagenarians: Insights from a 10-Year Retrospective Cohort Study	E. Okorie	Leeds General Infirmary, UK
TM2-8	12:25	Endoscopic Lumbar Discectomy: Early Clinical Outcomes and Patient Satisfaction- Preliminary Results from West of Scotland Neurosurgical Unit	D. Chigurupati	Institute of Neurological Sciences
TM2-9	12:35	Does Duration of Lumbar Microdiscectomy Operation Affect Postoperative Outcomes?	S. Poormohammadreza	University of Exeter, UK

12:45 - 14:00 Skills Workshop - see conference web page for more details. Must be pre booked to attend - only 20 places available - ST5



Harrogate Suite

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 14:10 Group Photo (Location to be confirmed)

14:10: 15:30 Collaborative Research

Chairs: Michael Jenkinson and Stephen Price

	14:10	NIHR Brain Tumour Consortium: update and future plans	Richard Mair Assistant Professor of Neurosurgical Oncology and Honorary Consultant Neurosurgeon	University of Cambridge, UK
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10:30 - 11:00 Tea and Coffee and Exhibition - Carriage Suite

**TP2 11:00 - 13:00 Free Paper Session - CSF and Paediatrics
1 x 15 mins & 11 x 8 mins**

Chairs: Sam Hettige and Darach Crimmins

	11:00	What are the unanswered clinical questions in adult hydrocephalus Neurosurgery?	Ahmed Toma Consultant Neurosurgeon	University College London Hospitals NHS Trust, London, UK
TP2-1	11:15	Can common household devices alter the settings of programmable shunt valves?	J. Ramsay	Newcastle University, UK
TP2-2	11:23	Efficacy of the Ventrifix device as a method of securing external ventricular drains	J. Kotecha	Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
TP2-3	11:31	Use of GLP-1 Receptor Agonists in Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis	P. Kaur	School of Medicine, University of Exeter, UK
TP2-4	11:39	Headache and Non-hydrocephalus Symptomatic Pineal Cysts: A Retrospective Observational Study	Y. Cheng	School of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, University of Glasgow, UK
TP2-5	11:47	The Natural History of Pineal Cysts in Paediatrics: A Population-based Retrospective Study	R. Tahmid	School of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, University of Glasgow, UK
TP2-6	11:55	Pineal Cysts: Stable, Silent, and Over-Investigated	C. Cody	Children's Health Ireland
TP2-7	12:03	Endocrine complications after laser interstitial thermal therapy for hypothalamic haematomas	S. Rosenke	University College London, UK
TP2-8	12:11	Long Term Multidimensional Outcomes Following Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy in Children with Cerebral Palsy: A Single-Centre Prospective Study	S. Mathew	Alder Hey Children's Hospital
TP2-9	12:19	Pattern of paediatric neurosurgery in Zaria: a 5year retrospective study	F. Labo	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria
TP2-10	12:27	Guidelines for the Referral of Children and Young People (CYP) for Consideration of Neurosurgical Interventions in the Management of Posture and Tone (NIMPTs) – A UK Wide consensus Report	J. Ellenbogen	Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool, UK
TP2-11	12:35	Development of a Paediatric Neurosurgery Transition Service: Early Insights	E. Lucas	Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK

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Harrogate Suite

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 14:10 Group Photo (Location to be confirmed)

14:20	Strengthening SBNS–BNS collaboration to optimise fresh tissue sampling for WGS, vaccine trials and brain tumour research	Kathreena Kurian, Professor of Neuropathology, Bristol Vice- President of the British Neuropathological Society	University of Bristol and British Neuropathological Society
14:30	Achievements of BNTRC	Conor Gillespie BNTRC Chair	University of Cambridge, UK
14:40	BNTRC Calls for Future Studies	Conor Gillespie BNTRC Chair	University of Cambridge, UK

14:50 - 15:30 Discussion

15:30 - 16:00 Tea/Coffee Break and Exhibition - Carriage Suite

16:00- 16:30 Sir Geoffrey Jefferson Lecture

16:00 - 16:05 Introduction

Peter Hutchinson
SBNS President
Addenbrokes Hospital,
Cambridge, UK

16:05 - 16:30 Harnessing the core transcriptional program sustaining glioblastomas to deliver viral immunotherapy

Professor Steve Pollard
Associate Director,
Cancer Research UK
Scotland Centre;
Director, Brain Cancer
Centre of Excellence
The University of Edinburgh

16:30 - 17:30 DEBATE - Should neurosurgical trainees be encouraged to do basic science or clinical research?

Chairs: Steve Pollard and Peter Hutchinson

16:30 In favour of Basic Science

Ryan Mathew
Associate Professor in
Neurosurgery
&
Victoria Wykes
Associate Professor in
Neurosurgery
University of Leeds &
Leeds Teaching Hospitals
NHS Trust
University of Birmingham,
UK

16:50 In favour of Clinical Research

Michael Jenkinson
Prof. of Neurosurgery
&
Catherine McMahon
Consultant
Neurosurgeon
University of Liverpool &
Walton Centre NHS Trust
University of Manchester,
UK

17:10 - 17:30 Discussion

17:30 Rest Break

19:00 Gala Dinner at the Royal Hall

19:00 Welcome Drinks

19:45 Dinner

22:00 Entertainment/Dancing

Midnight Walk back to the hotel

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FRIDAY, 17 April 2026

08:15 - 13:00 Registration

Lecture Theatre 1 - Ballroom

A buffet breakfast will be served for delegates attending

BREAKFAST SEMINAR
British Journal of Neurosurgery Review Course/Workshop
Identifying important statistical errors in manuscripts

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08:30 - 09:30 Chair: Nitin Mukerji, Editor and Chief of the British Journal of Neurosurgery

08:30 - 08:50	Retrospective analyses and reviews	Andy Vail Professor of Clinical Biostatistics	University of Manchester and Salford Royal Hospital
08:50 - 09:10	Prospective studies	Matthew Parkes Lecturer in Biostatistics	University of Manchester
09:10 - 09:30	Discussion		

FM1 09:30 - 11:00 Free Paper Session Oncology - Gliomas
2 x 15 mins & 6 x 10 mins

Chairs: Ryan Mathew & Ashwin Kumaria

09:30	What are the unanswered Questions in Oncology - Gliomas?	Stephen Price Consultant Neurosurgeon	University of Cambridge, UK
FM1-1 09:45	Predicting sites of tumour progression in the invasive margin of glioblastomas (PRaM-GBM Study): A multicentre imaging study	S. J. Price	University of Cambridge, UK
FM1-2 10:00	Preoperative cognitive phenotypes predict survival benefit of surgical resection in glioblastoma	Y. Wan	University of Cambridge, UK
FM1-3 10:10	How does revised 2021 WHO classification of CNS tumours influences management of high-grade glioblastomas in NHS Grampian?	E. Manzar	University of Aberdeen, UK
FM1-4 10:20	Stereotactic biopsy in IDH-wild type glioblastoma (GBM) - a survival analysis and interrogation of prognostic variables	J. Clerkin	Wessex Neurological Centre, Southampton, UK
FM1-5 10:30	Glioblastoma recurrence detection with Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy Liquid Biopsy technique and Machine Learning: Pilot study	Y. Y. Liew	University of Lancashire, UK
FM1-6 10:40	Establishing a Novel Small Molecule Inhibitor DYR1055 to Target Stemness and Proliferation of GBM	D. Sarju	University of Dundee, UK
10:50	MRgFUS: Today's Impact, Tomorrow's Possibility	Cyril Ferrer Director, Medical Affairs, EMEA James Bland	INSIGHTEC

11:00 - 11:30 Tea/Coffee Break and Exhibition - Carriage Suite

11:30 - 12:00 Sir Hugh Cairns Lecture

11:30 - 11:05	Introduction	Rikin Trivedi Consultant Neurosurgeon	Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, UK
11:35 - 12:00	Bioelectronic medicine: what's next?	George Malliaras Prince Philip Professor of Technology	University of Cambridge (UK)

FRIDAY, 17 April 2026

08:15 - 13:00 Registration

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billiard Room

FP1 09:30 - 11:00 Free Paper Session - Vascular
2 x 15 mins & 5 x 10 mins

Chairs: Nitin Mukerji and Rosa Sun

09:30	What are the unanswered clinical questions in Vascular Neurosurgery	Diederik Bulters Consultant Neurosurgeon	University Hospital Southampton, UK
FP1-1 09:45	Effect of intravenous milrinone infusion on brain tissue oxygenation in aneurysmal subarachnoid haemorrhage: a single centre retrospective cohort observational study	S. Mathew	National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, London, UK
FP1-2 10:00	Machine learning-driven classification of aneurysm shape	R. Sutton	University Hospital Southampton, UK
FP1-3 10:10	Rapid versus gradual weaning of external ventricular drains in aneurysmal subarachnoid haemorrhage: a systematic review and meta-analysis	G. Brown	University of Cambridge, UK
FP1-4 10:20	Trends in Aneurysmal Subarachnoid Haemorrhage Over a Decade in Northern Ireland	C. Clarke	Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast UK
FP1-5 10:30	Management and Outcomes of Aneurysmal Subarachnoid Haemorrhages at a Single Centre in Johannesburg, South Africa	Y. W. Belisha	University of the Witwatersrand
10:40			

11:00 - 11:30 Tea/Coffee Break and Exhibition - Carriage Suite

FM2	12:00 - 13:05	Free Paper Session - Functional 1 x 15 mins & 5 x 10 mins		
		Chairs: Surajit Basu & Keyoumars Ashkan		
	12:00	What are the unanswered questions in Functional Neurosurgery ?	Keyoumars Ashkan Professor of Neurosurgery	Kings College Hospital, London, UK
FM2-1	12:15	Combined Bilateral Versus Unilateral rTMS for Post-Stroke Motor Recovery: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis	S. Kannan	The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK
FM2-2	12:25	Reoperation After Failed Hemispherotomy in Epilepsy Surgery: A Systematic Review, and Individual Patient Data Meta-Analysis	D. Sescu	Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, UK
FM2-3	12:35	Right or Left?: Dominant versus Non-Dominant Side Implantable Pulse Generator Pockets in Deep Brain Stimulators and Pocket Complication Rates	A. Chansiriwongs	John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, UK
FM2-4	12:45	The impact of biological effective dose (BED) variability in the Stereotactic Radiosurgical Treatment (SRS) of Trigeminal Neuralgia: A Cohort Study	M. Crank	Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield, UK
FM2-5	12:55	Lest we forget - suicide in trigeminal neuralgia	P. Marks	Hull and East Riding Coroner's Court and Offices, UK
	13:05	Roundup of the Sandpit sessions	Stephen Price Consultant Neurosurgeon	University of Cambridge, UK
	13:25 - 13:30	Closing Remarks	Stephen Price BNRG Meetings Lead	University of Cambridge, UK
	13:30 - 14:30	Lunch		
	14:30	Meeting Ends		