



PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME
(as as 10 th March - subject to minor changes)
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 BNRG/BNTA

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

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 1 - Carriage Suite

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 Associate Professor and co-director of the Centre for Implementation Science, University of Bristol	University of Birmingham Health Services Management Centre School of Social Policy and Society
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

12:15 - 13:30 GE Health Care Skills Workshop - An Introduction to iUS for Neurosurgery
More details on the website - only 14 places available



Harrogate Suite

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch and Exhibition

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billiard Room

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13:00 - 13:35	Welcome Address	Peter Hutchinson SBNS President & Micheal Jenkinson SBNS Vice President, Innovations Micheal Jenkinson SBNS Vice President, Innovations	Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, UK University of Liverpool & Walton Centre NHS Trust
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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 Surgical Medicine	University of Bristol, UK

**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	DISCUSSION	All	
	14:40	Neurosurgical curriculum	Donald MacArthur Past SAC Chair	Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK
	14:50	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
	15:00	Parenting and carer responsibilities in training	Ian Kamaly SBNS Bullying & Mentoring Representative & RCSEng Representative	Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, 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		

WEDNESDAY, 15 April 2026

Lecture Theatre 2 - Billiard Room

15:30 - 16:00 Tea and Coffee & Exhibition

WM2 16:00 - 17:30 Free Paper Session- Trauma
1 x 15 mins, 7 x 8 mins & 1 x 10 mins

Chairs: Catherine McMahon & Duncan Henderson

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
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
WM2-2 16:23	Randomised Evaluation of Surgical techniques for patients Undergoing Emergency Cranial Decompression (RESCUE CD –TBI)	E. Viaroli	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
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
WM2-5 16:47	Pre-operative Platelet Transfusion for Chronic Subdural Haematoma – A Retrospective Cohort Study	C. Gillespie	University of Cambridge, 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
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
17:11	NIHR HealthTech Research Centre (HRC) in Brain Injury: Innovation Landscape and Funding Opportunities	Peter Hutchinson SBNS President	Addenbrook's Hospital, Cambridge, UK

WM3-1 17:30 - 18:30 Short Oral Session - Mixed Topics
1 x 7 mins & 15 x 3 mins

Chairs: Eduardo Viarolin and Sam Hettige

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
WM3-2 17:37	Use of oxygen therapies in the management of postoperative pneumocephalus: A systematic review.	M. H. Majeethia	University of Leicester, 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
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
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
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

15:30 - 16:00 Tea and Coffee & Exhibition

WP1 16:00 - 17:30 Free Paper Session - Oncology Meningioma/Skull Base
1 x 15 mins, 6 x 8 mins & 1 x 10 mins

Chairs: Jonathan Shapley & Alvaro Villabona

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
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
WP1-2 16:23	The cytokine response to meningioma surgery in seizure and seizure-naïve patients	W. Cook	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
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
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
WP1-6 16:55	Incidental Fourth Ventricular Subependymoma - surgical resection is not required	I. Leigh	The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK
17:03	SYNTHECEL™ Dura Repair – A new benchmark, Making a material difference in dura reconstruction <i>Sponsored by Johnson and Johnson</i>	TBC	
17:13			

WP2 17:30 - 18:30 Short Oral Session - Mixed Topics
1 x 7 mins & 16 x 3 mins

Chairs: Crispin Wigfield and Yahia Al-Tamimi

WP2-1 17:30	President's Award Talk Cambridge-Liverpool Lectures in Jordan	L. Al Nusair	The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK
WP2-2 17:37	Bilateral Cavernous Sinus Aneurysms Causing Pituitary Dysfunction: Illustrative Case and Systematic review	A. Rane	North Bristol NHS Trust, UK
WP2-3 17:40	Giant pituitary adenomas: lessons from a single centre cohort study	I. Almeida. e. Sousa	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, UK
WP2-4 17:43	Adherence To Hydrocortisone Protocol Following Endoscopic Transphenoidal Surgery.	Z. Khanam	University of Dundee - Medical School, UK
WP2-5 17:46	Novel BRAF:ZBTB20 Fusion in an Infratentorial Pilocytic Astrocytoma	Y. W. Belisha	Royal College of Surgeons Ireland
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. Almeida. E. 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 - Carriage Suite

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: Alistair Jenkins 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 and Simon Thomson

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 Ktayan
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

**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	A prospective review of free hand technique of Pericles screw fixation in thoracolumbar fractures	A. Khan	Ayub Teaching Hospital and College Abbottabad, 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 - Details on the conference page
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

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	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
	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

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

**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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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

16:00- 16:30 Sir Geoffery 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 Clinic Research	Micheal 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

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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



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

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 mirinone 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 - Rose Suite

FM2	12:00 - 13:05	Free Paper Session - Functional 1 x 15 mins & 5 x 10 mins		
		Chairs: Surajit Basu & Ahmad Ali		
	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	
	13:30 - 14:30	Lunch		
	14:30	Meeting Ends		