

British Neuro-Oncology Society Meeting, London – 18th-20th June 2024

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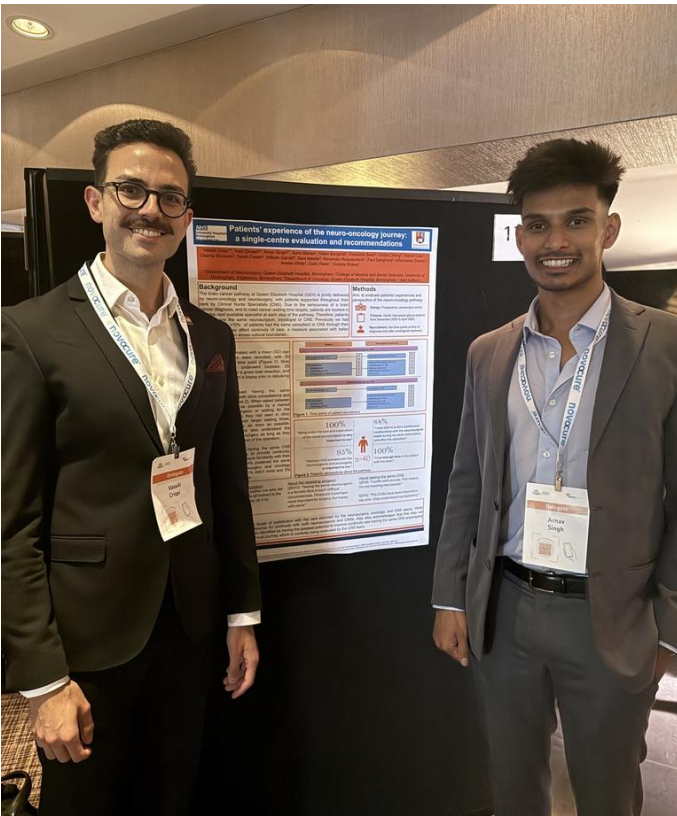
I would like to thank the SBNS for their support in my attendance at the Annual Meeting of the British Neuro-Oncology Society in London.

The conference featured an inspiring range of speakers across neuroscience, oncology, neurosurgery, bioinformatics, genetics, and more, with internationally renowned leaders in their field. The programme was very well structured with a focus on three themes: identifying current challenges in new and recurrent disease, leveraging technological advances, and bringing new therapies into clinical care.

As a an NIHR academic clinical fellow, the last day of the conference showcased a session of future potential routes into clinical academic careers and doctoral research fellowships. It was great to hear from current and past fellows regarding their experience and insight, especially regarding early considerations for areas of interest, type of project and funding. In particular, it was helpful to hear about patient and public input in doctoral research fellowships applications and how these can shape research for current and future clinical academics.

At the meeting, I presented my abstract entitled "*Patients' experience of the neuro-oncology journey: interim analysis of a single-centre evaluation and recommendations*". This was a local evaluation of the neurosurgical and oncology service delivery for brain tumour patients. Our findings and patient engagement have highlighted the importance of continuity of care in brain tumour patient care, but also the degree of trust patients hold with the entire neurosurgical team to deliver the surgical component of their diagnosis and treatment.

The meeting was also a great opportunity for networking, reconnecting with existing friends and colleagues and making new connections which will be beneficial for my career.



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Members of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham team at the BNOS 2025 meeting in London.