

Brighton and Sussex Medical School

Integrated Academic Training Programme

Induction Information 2024

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome the following new ACFS and CL to the Brighton and Sussex Medical School Integrated Academic Training (IAT) Programme.

Name	Email Address	ACF / CL	Speciality
Benjamin Griffin	ben.griffin001@gmail.com	ACF	General Psychiatry
Stephen Naulls	stephennaulls96@gmail.com	ACF	General Psychiatry
Orthi Shahzad	orthi.shahzad@nhs.net	ACF	Haematology
Benjamin To	ben.to@hotmail.co.uk	ACF	Gastroenterology
Maria Krutikov	maria.krutikov@nhs.net	CL	Infectious Diseases

The IAT Programme at BSMS combines research and clinical practice, providing a platform for Medical Doctors to advance their academic careers. Tailored for those passionate about merging academia with hands-on clinical experience, this program offers a structured pathway encompassing postgraduate research, clinical training, and professional development.

BSMS currently hosts 20 Academic Clinical Fellows and 4 Clinical Lecturers across several specialities, with a strong focus on Infectious Diseases and Neuroscience.

ACFs are entitled to 25% protected research time and CLs 50% protected research time. Please direct any queries about this to the IAT team contacts including your academic supervisor.

Important Contact Information

IAT Team Contacts

Dr Jessica Eccles	IAT Co-Lead	j.eccles@bsms.ac.uk
Dr Khalid Ali	IAT Co-Lead	khalid.ali10@nhs.net
Professor Gordon Ferns	Academic Training Programme Director & Associate Dean KSS	g.ferns@bsms.ac.uk
Amy Darby	IAT Co-ordinator	iat@bsms.ac.uk

Academic Supervisors and Departmental Administrators

If you have not done so already, please contact your academic supervisors. Your supervisors will be your first port of call for all things ACF / CL.

Please also reach out to your supervisors Departmental Assistant. The DAs will be able to organise desk/lab space if needed as well as visiting researcher fellow status (which will provide you with a BSMS email account and IT access).

Name	Speciality	Department	Departmental Assistant
Prof Andrea Pepper	Haemato-Oncology	Clinical and Experimental Medicine (CEM)	Liv Cottington CEMedicineDA@bsms.ac.uk
Prof Tim Chevassut	Haematology	Clinical and Experimental Medicine (CEM)	Liv Cottington CEMedicineDA@bsms.ac.uk

Name	Speciality	Department	Departmental Assistant
Prof Martin Llewelyn	Infectious Diseases	Global Health and Infection (GHI)	Debbie Miller D.Miller@bsms.ac.uk
Dr James Price	Infectious Diseases	Global Health and Infection (GHI)	Debbie Miller D.Miller@bsms.ac.uk
Prof Jaime Vera	Infection and HIV	Global Health and Infection (GHI)	Debbie Miller D.Miller@bsms.ac.uk
Prof Gordon Ferns	Pathology	Medical Education	Sue Brown S.Brown@bsms.ac.uk
Dr Duncan Shrewsbury	Primary Care	Primary Care and Public Health	Sonia Khan PrimarycareDA@bsms.ac.uk
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Prof James Stone	Psychiatry	Neurosciences	Juliet Kneller J.Kneller@bsms.ac.uk
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Dr Jessica Eccles	Psychiatry	Neurosciences	Juliet Kneller J.Kneller@bsms.ac.uk
Prof Khalid Ali	Geriatrics	Elderly Care	uhsussex.daelderlycare@nhs.net

Clinical Supervision

Please ensure you make early contact with your clinical supervisors, educational supervisors and medical education teams linked below:

University Hospital Sussex NHS Foundation Trust - uhsussex.medicaleducation.rsch@nhs.net

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust - medical.education@spft.nhs.uk

For allocation / rota queries for IMT trainees, please contact Dr Dan Agranoff
daniel.agranoff@nhs.net.

Mentoring

We encourage you to seek mentorship either via the BSMS mentoring scheme, the NIHR Academy or the Academy of Medical Sciences.

Please contact the IAT team with any questions about mentorship.

Research Training Hub

We are excited to present the new Sussex Health and Care Research Training Hub which was launched in February 2024. We encourage you to visit the website [here](#). This new Hub is still in development so please check the website regularly for news and updates.

The Sussex Health and Care Research Training Hub is a single point of contact for advice, best practices, and information on health and care academic research careers and recruitment to research fellowships. It will provide access to training and development for academic clinical practitioners and health and social care professionals at all stages of their academic journey.

MRes

All ACFs are entitled to £4500 towards a Master level qualification such as the BSMS MRes and you are expected to register for this course.

Please contact Ceri Butler C.Butler@bsms.ac.uk for details on how to register for the BSMS MRes. Paediatric and Psychiatry trainees may wish to register for a Masters in Paediatrics or Psychiatry.

Study Budget

All ACFs and ACLs are entitled to an additional study budget of £1000 a year, to be spent on conference attendance (including travel and accommodation). This can be claimed via an expense form to claim back, or your DA can place an order using their purchasing card against your specific budget code. Please contact Amy via iat@bsms.ac.uk for this code.

Consumables budget

A small budget is available for research consumables, you should contact your Academic Supervisor directly to discuss this. Purchasing of consumables can be organised by your Supervisor's Departmental Assistant.

Events

New ACFs and ACLs are strongly encouraged to attend the below event:

BSMS Research-Focussed Induction

Tuesday 10th September, 10.00-1.30, Seminar room, Medical Research Building.

BSMS is facilitating a research-focused Induction for any new members of staff (Faculty, ECRs, PGRs or those in Professional Services). This will be an opportunity for the participants to meet fellow researchers who have commenced their role since September 2023 or before but couldn't attend the induction last year. There will be a series of talks from those who hold key research roles in the school such as Director of Research and Knowledge Exchange, Academic Lead for Early Career Researchers, Academic Lead for Clinical Fellows, Research Development Manager and Business Partnerships Manager. The overall aim of this event is to help you feel settled in BSMS and to make the most of your research experience and aspirations. To register please email Deeptima d.massey@bsms.ac.uk.

Details of other events will be emailed to you throughout the year as they are advertised. Please keep an eye out for these emails as well as visiting the Events page of the [Sussex Health and Care Research Training Hub](#) webpage.

Sussex Clinical Academic Group peer support meeting

This meeting run from 12-1pm on Teams every 2 months, on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

The current group consists of clinical MD and PhD students. The format of this meeting usually involves 2 people informally discussing their research projects and the rest of the group discusses and provides feedback/support.

Junior trainees are welcome to join and either just listen or take the opportunity to ask questions about research careers/applying for funding/completing an MD/PhD.

To be added to the invite list for these meetings, please email Dr Lizzie Cross e.l.cross@bsms.ac.uk.

ACRP

The Annual Review of Competency Progression (ARCP) panel takes place in Summer. Some ACFs or CLs may be out of sync.

This panel is principally to check the progress of your clinical training and will be led by your clinical supervisor, however your academic supervisor should also be involved and may need to find an academic representative to be on the panel.

Trainee academic reports (produced by your academic supervisor) will be required for this panel.

Reviews are held remotely and will take about an hour per trainee. Please reach out to your academic supervisor if you have any questions about this process.

For all ARCP queries please contact LASE via the [trainee portal](#).

Researchfish

Researchfish is an online platform used by the NIHR (National Institute for Health Research) to collect data on research activities conducted by recipients of it's awards. You should submit your annual submission each March. Once you have done this, please email a copy of the report to iat@bsms.ac.uk. Please see the links below for guidance on using this platform.

[NIHR Researchfish guidance | NIHR](#)

[Researchfish® User Guide for Researchers](#)

[About ORCID](#)

[Log in | Researchfish](#)

Current trainees

Below is a list of our current or recent ACFs and ACLs, and their specialities. You may wish to reach out to your peers for advice or specific questions about specialities.

Name	Email Address	ACF / CL	Speciality
Dr Katy Baple	katy.baple@nhs.net	ACF	Infectious Diseases
Dr Carolin Bresges	carolin.bresges@nhs.net	ACF	Infectious Diseases

Name	Email Address	ACF / CL	Speciality
Dr Harriet Daultrey	h.daultrey@nhs.net	CL	Endocrinology and Diabetes Mellitus
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Dr Jennifer Fitzpatrick	jennifer.fitzpatrick2@nhs.net	CL	Infectious Diseases
Dr Eun Han	eun.han@nhs.net	ACF	Haematology
Dr Isra Hussain	israhusain@hotmail.co.uk	ACF	Paediatrics
Dr Francis Kirkham	f.kirkham@nhs.net	ACF	Geriatric Medicine
Dr Chloe Knox	chloe.knox1@nhs.net	ACF	Geriatric Medicine
Dr Opeyemi Makanjuola	makanjuolaoa@gmail.com	ACF	Infectious Diseases
Dr Harriet Mortimer	harriet.mortimer2@nhs.net	ACF	Genito-urinary Medicine
Dr Elaina Pasangha	e.pasangha@nhs.net	ACF	Pathology
Dr Kavya Pasangha	kavyapillai767@gmail.com	ACF	Intensive Care Medicine
Dr Philip Rankin	philip.rankin1@nhs.net	ACF	General Practice
Dr Peter Scott	peter@ikilifi.org	ACF	Infectious Diseases
Dr Helena Sivaloganathan	h.sivaloganathan@nhs.net	ACF	Haematology
Dr Matthew Stevens	matthew.stevens6@nhs.net	ACF	Infectious Diseases
Dr James Todd	james.todd4@nhs.net	ACF	Psychiatry
Dr Hussein Elkholy	h.elkholy2@bsms.ac.uk	CL	Psychiatry

To be added to the **ACF WhatsApp Group** please email your mobile number to iat@bsms.ac.uk. We will keep you informed of social events both in person and over zoom. We will be looking to recruit ACF and CL representatives and will be in touch with all current ACFs and CLs about this.

Useful links

[Sussex Health and Care Research Training Hub](#)

[BSMS Events](#)

[University Hospital Sussex NHS Foundation Trust Events](#)

[NIHR ACF Guidance](#)

[NIHR ACL Guidance](#)

[NIHR Mentoring Programme](#)

[Academy of Medical Sciences](#)

[BSMS Mentoring Scheme](#)

[Sussex Health Research Partnership](#)

[Joint Clinical Research Office](#)

[Research Support Service](#)

[Population Health Academy](#)

[KSS Academy](#)

[Sussex Health Knowledge and Libraries](#)