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British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

# President's Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CYRUS J KERAWALA, 61ST PRESIDENT

# ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING | Heatth and Wellbeing 28-30 JUNE 2023 | Heatth and Wellbeing



Given the change in the timings of the Presidential handover this newsletter comes relatively hot on the heels of the last and so my introduction to its contents will be a brief one with the overriding aim of inviting those of you who have not registered to join us in London for this year's Annual Scientific Meeting. As you will know by now it will take place in Kings Place which is just a stone's throw away from King's Cross and St Pancras stations. The hope is therefore that for many it will be a convenient destination. I am sure the fact that it is surrounded by an array of bars and restaurants will be less of an attraction that the planned scientific content! This year's theme is 'Health and Wellbeing'. There is a comprehensive program but also reasonable start and finish times so that we can catch up friends and colleagues.

In addition to the usual free-paper sessions there will be a number of parallel symposia. I have asked a host of contributors to present their thoughts on 'Things I wish I'd known before...'. These presentations are on a variety of topics relevant to both our specialty and related areas, which I hope will allow them to share a wealth of experience to guide young and old alike. There will be more focussed sessions on

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research, orthognathic surgery and skin cancer completed in BBC 'Any Questions?' format with ample time for audience participation so start thinking of difficult and controversial questions to tax the participants! The prelude to many of these sessions will be a short introduction from several who have interests outside work who will let us into the secret lives of rearing, pigs, wildlife photography and sculpture.

On the first afternoon there will be talks on 'Overcoming Adversity'. I am delighted that several colleagues have agreed to talk about some very personal issues which I have no doubt will be thought-provoking presentations.

We shall also be tackling some thornier issues in the two eponymous lectures. Peter Duffy will be sharing his thoughts on his first-hand experience as an NHS whistle-blower in the President's lecture. Simon Fleming will round off the meeting with the Norman Rowe lecture which I know will be a full-on challenge to changing the culture in surgery. The meeting itself will close early on Friday to allow attendees the opportunity

to participate in the whole conference and yet escape home in a timely manner.

In addition to the Welcome Reception on Wednesday (with close-up magician to fool us all) the annual black-tie event will take place the following evening in the splendour of the Great Hall at Lincoln's Inn Fields. There will be drinks and a string guartet on the outside terrace first, and a live band for those with any energy left after the food.

The meeting I hope will be a step away from the usual format. I very much hope you will make the trip to London to see if it all works out!

> BAOMS 2023 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING Online registration is now open

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#### 64TH PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RESULT

Following a nomination and election process congratulations go to Mr Patrick Magennis who has been elected as the 64th BAOMS President with term of office July 2025 to June 2026. Many thanks to all those who took part in the process of nominating and voting. The announcement of election results was delayed following notification to Council of potential irregularities which have been resolved with Council agreement. We apologise for the delay.

> PETER BRENNAN CHAIR, BAOMS COUNCIL



### CHAIR'S UPDATE

I. We made the decision to cancel the March 2023 BAOMS Council meeting on 15/3/23 due to it falling during the first junior doctor strike. We felt that it would not be right to hold Council while colleagues across the NHS would be supporting our trainees. Like so many Fellows across the specialty, many Council members held the first on call bleep during the strike action. A joint statement has been issued by the College and specialty associations in support of the Junior Doctors position. This is available to read here if you have not seen it already.

2. You may have already seen the GDC position statement that Rob Banks and I have worked on over the last 18 months with the GDC. It hopefully provides some clarity around dual registration requirements and some practical examples are provided at the end. We continue to enjoy a good relationship with both the GDC and GMC and further work is ongoing. The GDC position statement is available here.

3. We had arranged for Professor Colin Melville, GMC Medical Director and Director of Education and Standards, to attend March Council to discuss what the medical regulator may be able to do to help ever falling recruitment numbers for Specialty training in OMFS. Colin and I have discussed the issue at length and it was sad that the meeting had to be cancelled as above.

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Colin will hopefully be able to attend another BAOMS Council meeting later in the year.

**4.** Our new free book for medical students and allied healthcare professionals has had a huge amount of interest from colleagues both in the UK and abroad. The book link was distributed to all UK Medical Schools by the Medical School Council (MSC). A similar book for dental students is currently being prepared and

should be completed by early 2024. A link to the electronic book is available here.

5. We look forward to formally welcoming Dilip Srinivasan (Elected Fellow), Richard Taylor (JTG Chair) and Adam Holden (Deputy Fellows in Training rep ) as new Council members at the re-arranged Council meeting in May.

#### QUALITY OUTCOME MEASURES IN ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

#### Update April 2023

Seventeen hospitals in England, Wales and Scotland continue to contribute patient treatment data to the various registries in QOMS. We have been engaging the Information Governance department of several potential OMFS teams to join QOMS. By the time this Newsletter reaches all of you, there will be approximately 6000 patient records held in QOMS audit registries. This would not be possible without the hard work of all our contributors. Thank you. funding after 2024 to help maintain continuity of the QOMS project/initiative.

Following the publication of the report, we have also started work to revise the QOMS registries. This is a work in progress for Oncology & Reconstruction. We have made some great progress for the Oral and Dentoalveolar registries, with the help of Geoff Chiu and the Oral and Dentoalveolar SSIG, Jennifer Parrish and Harpreet Ark; we hope to run these audits

### In February, we published the **Project's Inaugural Report**.

The report's focus was mainly on data quality to ensure that we will be able to produce robust benchmark and comparative data by the end of this QOMS cycle in 2024. Some initial comparative data was included for the Oncology & Reconstruction and the Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer (NMSC) registries, for which risk-adjustment models were introduced. Several abstracts have been submitted and accepted for the year's BAOMS ASM as well as one to the upcoming ICOMS conference. In March 2023, we held a contributors meeting to present and discuss the results from the report. The current BAOMS-funded hospitals are encouraged to start applying to their Trust / Health Board for



later this year. Some changes have also been implemented to the NMSC registry, for which the next data collection period is likely to start in April or early May 2023. Finally, Geoff Chiu and the Trauma SSIG, Niall McLeod and David Laraway, have been revising and streamlining the Trauma registry, which we hope to re-launch shortly. Over the next few months, we hope to also launch the QOMS Salivary Gland Cancer registry and the new BAOMS BOS Orthognathic PROM.

Remember that QOMS can be joined by all OMFS units at any time. You can find more information on the BAOMS website or get in touch with the Project Manager:

Fabien Puglia (baomsprojectmanager@baoms. org.uk).



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#### DOWN SURGICAL AND BAOMS SURGERY PRIZES 2023

The process for applying for the senior BAOMS awards is a supported application process. Full details are available in the secure area of the website or via email to office@baoms.org.uk

#### The deadline for applications for both prizes is 12 noon BST on Monday 11 September 2023.

Applications are considered by the Endowment Sub Committee and recommendations are made to and for Council's approval usually at the September / October meetings.

**BAOMS Surgery Prize** 

#### The forms can be found here under 'Forms for the Senior Prizes.'

Previous recipients of the awards over the last few years:

#### **Down Surgical Prize**

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2021	Jointly awarded to C Kerawala and S Parmar	2021	M Ho
2020	P Magennis	2020	K Shakib
2019	J S Brown	2019	Jointly awarded to F Bekiroglu and N McLeod
2018	MS Dover	2018	RJ Banks
2017	Jointly awarded to M Fardy and P Johnson	2017	R Anand
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Congratulations to **Mr S J W Kent** (Manchester on 14/15 September 2022) and **Mr L R Williams** (Edinburgh on 2/3 March 2022) who are both awarded the British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Gold Medal by the Intercollegiate Board in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for their outstanding performance at the Intercollegiate Specialty Examinations in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

#### NOTICE

#### BAOMS 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) AND AWARDS CEREMONY FOR THE BAOMS SENIOR PRIZES AND MEMBERS' PRIZES

The BAOMS Trustees and Council are pleased to let you know that the next **BAOMS AGM will take place in London on Wednesday 28 June 2023 from 12 noon to 1300** at Kings Place, 90 York Way, London N1 9AG in Hall 1.

The Awards Ceremony is planned to take place from 1115 to 1145 ahead of the AGM. Please note that both will be held onsite only with no option to join online.

There will be BAOMS members meetings taking place at Kings Place, 90 York Way, London N1 9AG on Wednesday 28 June from 0930 to 1100 for Consultant Specialists Group, Fellows in Training, Associate Fellows and Junior Trainees and Members.

Online registration for the onsite BAOMS Meeting is now open: **BAOMS 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting** 

Please email the office@baoms.org.uk if a password reminder for the registration form is needed but please ensure your BAOMS membership is up to date and we have the correct email address for you.



#### OMFS REGIONAL SPECIALTY PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS (RSPAs) AS OF APRIL 2023

RSPAs are your RCS regional specialty link. They link with the BAOMS members locally and RCS at both local level (Director of Professional Affairs Board meetings) and nationally. They are advisors to members for local professional / employment issues / job plans / RCS issues and report back to RCS and BAOMS. The RSPAs are expected to produce a short annual report on their region. **Your regional RSPAs are:** 

East Midlands	Anwer Abdullakutty	South West	John Collin
East of England	Vyomesh Bhatt	West Midlands	Nicholas Pigadas
London (North East)	Rishi Bhandari	Yorkshire	Tas Kanatas
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#### BAOMS SUB SPECIALTY INTEREST GROUPS (SSIGs) APRIL 2023

All leads provide an annual report on activities, which is presented at Council. Short updates of activity will also be presented at the Consultants and Specialists' Group meeting. Sign up for updates to your SSIGs and news of related events via the members' area and join in the discussion forums.

#### Each SSIG has their own web page and discussion forum on the members' area of the website.

#### The list of current representatives are:

SSIG	Lead	Deputy
Aesthetic	Satayajeet Bhatia	Felix Karst
Cleft	Ambika Chadha	vacant
Craniofacial	Moorthy Halsnad	vacant
Deformity	Joint leads: Richard Graham and Greg Knepil	
Oral/Dentoalveolar	vacant / Associate Fellows on Council	
Oncology	Joint Leads: Brian Bisase and Leandros Vassiliou	
Paediatric	Keith Altman	Cristina Frezzini
Reconstruction	Ajay Wilson	Jim Higginson
Salivary	Leandros Vassiliou	Damian Broderick
Skin	Rajiv Anand	Elizabeth Gruber
TMJ	Ross Elledge	Sherif Bayoumi
Trauma	Niall McLeod	David Laraway

#### BAOMS COUNCIL 2023

BAOMS Council meets 4 times a year, to manage the day to day running of the Association, as well as oversee longer term issues and coordinate events. Please see the website to meet the Council Members for 2023.

Following the change to the Association's Memorandum of Articles at the 2021 BAOMS AGM there will be a Presidential Handover at the BAOMS Annual Scientific Meeting in June 2023 where Cyrus Kerawala will hand over the Presidency to Daljit Dhariwal.



#### MEMBERSHIP PROFILE

#### Manage your Profile (see screen shot 1)

You can manage your membership profile and forum email notifications via the members' area. Login to your membership account here to manage your preferences.

#### Diversity Data in your membership profile (see screen shot 2)

Please consider updating your Diversity Data which will be used in an aggregated (anonymised) form for equality and diversity purposes.

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#### OTHER NEWS

BAOMS are delighted to be able to support a participant on the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh's Future Leaders Programme (FLP). FLP is a 12-month blended learning programme supporting surgeons from all surgical specialties (ST6-8, SAS, or in the first years of consultancy) with the passion to be future leaders within their specialty and equips them with the advanced leadership skills needed to excel.

The programme has 4 modules of 2 days live learning each: 4 virtual, 2 face to face in Birmingham and 2 face-to-face in Edinburgh.

#### Here is just one testimonial from the many available:

I have to admit I was initially sceptical about it as I sincerely thought I would just waste my time or I had more interesting things to do. How wrong was I! Through this course I had the opportunity to meet some very interesting people, who shared their ideas and dreams with me. I came across theories and facts I was not aware existed. During the

modules I reflected back on my general behaviour and leadership skills and I realised how poor they were. I can think of many situations I could have handled better. So, from a personal point of view I can say that I have become a better person. Less egoistical, more understanding of others people needs and more diplomatic.

The application deadline for the 2023/2024 Future Leaders Programme is 13th June 2023 at 23.59pm

Applications must be submitted to k.keall@rcsed.ac.uk with the subject line 'Future Leaders Programme Application'

The application must consist of: The following application form in Word A copy of your CV in Word A completed Equality and Diversity Monitoring Form

The application forms can be found here.

# FLEXFACS

The Online Training and Educational Resource for OMFS

FlexFacs is the innovative, online training and educational resource for speciality trainees in oral and maxillofacial surgery (OMFS), launched by the British Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (BAOMS). Please visit the Flex Facs resource pages in the **BAOMS** members' area.

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#### GIRFT

### GIRFT launches NHS Cancer Programme review into services for head and neck cancer patients

NHS England's GIRFT programme has appointed a team of seven specialist clinicians to lead a national review into services for head and neck cancer patients.

Commissioned and funded by NHS England's Cancer Programme, the new workstream will focus on supporting England's Cancer Alliances to better provide timely, equitable and effective care which delivers the best outcomes for both patients and NHS colleagues. The review aims to cover organisational issues, such as MDT working and workforce, as well as specific stages along the pathway, including improving time to diagnosis and treatment. A questionnaire for trusts is being prepared to help gather data on the current picture for services, and the team hope to begin deep dive visits in summer 2023.

The seven appointed clinicians have a wealth of knowledge from across the MDT, including speech and language therapy, oral and maxillofacial surgery, plastic surgery, dietetics, nursing and oncology. Find out more on the GIRFT website.

#### Michelle Carter

Communications manager Getting It Right First Time (GIRFT) NHS England michelle.carter 19@nhs.net www.gettingitrightfirsttime.co.uk Follow us on Twitter and LinkedIn

#### 2023 - NEW CORESS PROGRAMME DIRECTOR: MISS HARRIET CORBETT



Last November we announced that Miss Harriet Corbett, Consultant Paediatric Urologist at Alder Hey Children's Foundation NHS Trust and the current Paediatric Specialty Representative, had been appointed as the CORESS Programme Director-Elect. We are delighted to confirm that Harriet is now the CORESS Programme Director.

Harriet Corbett graduated at the top of her year from University of Liverpool medical school in 1996 and went on to pursue a career in paediatric surgery. Undertaking her specialist training in the UK and Australia, she completed an MRC Clinical Research fellowship then specialised in paediatric urology through a competitive fellowship at Birmingham Children's Hospital. Her clinical practice concentrates on bladder function and general paediatric urology, with a focus on hypospadias and upper tract procedures. Miss Corbett is an active member of Alder Hey's research community, and she is an Honorary Senior Lecturer in Child Health at the University of Liverpool. Her current research focus is foreskin health and bladder function. Miss Corbett is passionate about surgical safety, sitting on the CORESS Advisory board and developing the safety and governance infrastructure of the surgical department.

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#### The Lord Ribeiro CBE FRCS

Past-president Royal College of Surgeons of England CORESS Board of Trustees Chairman

#### 2023 RCS SURGICAL WORKFORCE CENSUS



Please find a link and QR code below for the 2023 RCS Surgical Workforce Census. This closes on 13 June 2023 and we would encourage you to complete it please. The other specialty associations are doing the same. The results will be very useful to help inform and steer our future as a surgical profession.





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#### FORTHCOMING MEETING PLANS

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BAOMS ASM 2023

28-30 June LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM

Hosted by: Cyrus Kerawala 61st President

3-5 July
OXFORD, UNITED KINGDOM
Hosted by: Daljit Dhariwal
62nd President

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June tbc LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM

Hosted by: Kathleen Fan 63rd President

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#### Speakers

- Mr Alastair Fry Novel approaches in H&N and private practice
- Miss Helen Witherow Hands-on aesthetics injectables
  workshop
- Mr Jeff Downie/Miss Lara Watson- Aesthetic Surgical Anatomy and Facelifts
- Mr Jahrad Haq Craniofacial Surgery in US and Aesthetics fellowship
- Miss Nabeela Ahmed Fellowship in Australia
- Mr John Collin Head & Neck Fellowship in Florida
- Miss Elizabeth Yeung Major Trauma (full body)
- Mr Ben Robertson Pathways into Skull Base Surgery
- Miss Kanwalraj Moar/Miss Ambika Chadha Cleft Fellowship
- Miss Naseem Ghazali Transoral Robotic Surgery
- Prof Peter Brennan/Prof Kaveh Shakib Career in academia and publishing made easy

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