



## Education Committee Survey

### BSG Education: Your Opinions Wanted!

The BSG Education Committee has designed a questionnaire to gather members' views on the educational activities of the BSG, particularly the Annual Meeting. The Education Committee is keen to better provide services for members, which might include more regional meetings or online content. It might involve new strands at the Annual Meeting.

We really appreciate your taking the time to complete this survey. Once analysed, the results will appear on the BSG website.

Professor J Jankowski, October 2009

Link: [http://www.bsg.org.uk/e\\_comm/edq\\_form.htm](http://www.bsg.org.uk/e_comm/edq_form.htm)

## BSG Oesophageal Section Autumn Symposium: Controversies in the Management of GORD

**10th November 2008 @ Royal College of Surgeons**

Topics to include:

- Poorly Responsive Reflux Disease
- Complicated Reflux Disease
- Hunterian Lecture: *'Laparoscopic Anti-Reflux Surgery, Before, During and After'* - Tom Dehn

[Programme / Application Form](#)

## Royal Free Meeting celebrates 20 years of liver transplantation

## BSG 2009 Abstract Website

The BSG is now accepting abstracts for the March 2009 meeting. The website opened on 1st September and will close on 4th November. We are unable to accept anymore abstracts after that date.

To submit an abstract please visit the [BSG Abstract Submission Website](#)

## BSG Webcast



View the WebCasts taken at the BSG Annual Meeting at the following link: [Click Here](#)

## UEGW 2008: 'Meet the Experts' - A Breakfast Meeting on FGIDs

This meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd October at the Royal Free Hampstead NHS Trust (where over a 1000 liver transplants have been performed). It will celebrate 20 years of liver transplantation. The organisers hope those who register for the meeting will be able to join the organisers for a celebratory dinner at the very prestigious Law Society in Chancery Lane, London, which promises to be a friendly and relaxing social event.

With not long to go before the meeting those who are interested in attending should visit <http://www.royalfree2020meeting.com/> to register. The meeting has been approved for CPD credits and certificates will also be issued so that delegates can claim CPD credits.

### **Attention Trainees - Message from David Thompson: 2008 Recruitment Process for Academic Clinical Fellowships (ACFs) - NCCRC**

The NIHR's academic training programmes will commence in 2009. You will see from the information provided that there are again to be major opportunities for individuals at the beginning of their clinical training, i.e. ST1, ST2 or ST3, who wish to consider embarking upon a career in academic medicine.

The information provided indicates that this year the process can be quite flexible so that any individual who is seriously considering academia should take the information very seriously.

If you are a consultant with a young trainee please encourage them to look at the website in detail.

<http://www.nccrcd.nhs.uk/intetacatrain/2008recruitmentprocessacfs>

If you are a trainee, ST1 to ST3, please also take a careful look and if you would wish to talk further about the opportunities, please contact me either directly [david.thompson@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:david.thompson@manchester.ac.uk) or via Chris Romaya ([C.Romaya@bsg.org.uk](mailto:C.Romaya@bsg.org.uk)).

Char of Academic Development Group.

20th October 2008  
Sponsored by The Rome Foundation 7:00 - 8:00 am, Austria Center, Vienna

[Further details](#)  
[Rome Foundation publications brochure](#)

### **The Evolution and Adaptation of Foodborne Pathogens - A research strategy workshop**

Monday 10th November 2008  
Arden Hotel, Birmingham

[Further Information](#)

### **EHPBA Meet the Experts Conference: Techniques in HPB Surgery**

20th - 22nd November 2008  
Leeds, Yorkshire

[Further Information](#)

### **UK & Ireland Neuroendocrine Tumour Society Meeting**

1st December 2008  
The Royay Society of Medicine  
Registration: [www.ukinets.org.uk](http://www.ukinets.org.uk)  
Enquiries  
[enquiries@ukinets.org](mailto:enquiries@ukinets.org)

### **Alcohol - Impact on ethnic minority populations in the UK**

2nd December 2008  
at Royal College of Physicians  
Regents Park, London

Meeting First Announcement

## **Gastro 2009 Young Clinicians Programme, London, 19 – 25 November, 2009**

**YCP offers a fantastic opportunity to meet and learn with colleagues from around the world**

The Call for Nominations is now open for young active GI trainees from around the world to participate in the Gastro 2009 Young Clinicians Programme (YCP). This unique opportunity is being developed as a joint venture between the host societies of Gastro 2009 (UEGF, WGO, OMED and BSG) as well as the Association of National European and Mediterranean Societies of Gastroenterology (ASNEMGE).

**30 of the 90 positions available will be allocated to UK based trainees that are members of the BSG.**

In addition to the Young Clinician's Programme would also like to hear from heads of departments that are interested in hosting trainees as part of the "taster visit" programme.

[Further Information](#)

## **Sir Francis Avery Jones BSG Research Award 2009**

Applications are invited by the Education Committee of the British Society of Gastroenterology who will recommend to Council the recipient of the 2009 Award. Applications should include:

1. A manuscript (2 A4 pages ONLY) describing the work conducted.
2. A bibliography of relevant personal publications.
3. An outline of the proposed content of the lecture, including title.
4. A written statement confirming that all or a substantial part of the work has been personally conducted in the UK or Eire.

Entrants must be 40 years or less on 31 December 2008 but need not be a member of the Society.

The recipient will be required to deliver a 30 minute lecture at the annual meeting of the Society in Glasgow in March 2009. Applications should be composed electronically in Word or Rich Text format and emailed as an attachment to the BSG Office ([A.Orgusaar@bsg.org.uk](mailto:A.Orgusaar@bsg.org.uk)) by 31st December 2008.

## **UK Endoscopic Ultrasound Census**

The BSG has formed a Working Group to advise on the future of EUS

[Click here for further information](#)

## **Colorectal Congress 2008**

3rd - 6th December 2008 in St. Gallen, Switzerland  
Main Topics: Colon Cancer and Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (IBD)

[Download Program](#)

## **The Mattu Oesophago-gastric Cancer Symposium**

8-10 December  
'Minimally invasive approaches to oesophageal and gastric cancer'  
Postgraduate Medical School, Guildford, Surrey.

[Programme](#)

## **Hepatology 2009 Course**

25th-27th January 2009  
Royal Free & University College Medical School  
Hampstead, London, UK

[Click here for further information](#)

## **The Royal Marsden Cholangiocarcinoma Conference**

29th January 2009  
Royal Society of Medicine  
1 Wimpole Street, London

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services within the UK. We are trying to establish a picture of how many units offer EUS and what services they provide.

We would be grateful if you could send the details of your EUS provider, your hospital name, town, and a suitable contact telephone number in an email to [john.meenan@gstt.nhs.uk](mailto:john.meenan@gstt.nhs.uk). If you refer cases to several centres, please give all names.

With many thanks,

Dr John Meenan / Dr Ian Penman Co-Chairs, EUS Working Group

## NEW BSG VACANCIES

The below three senior BSG positions will become vacant after March's Annual Meeting. We are keen to receive applications from ANY member who is interested in one of the positions. The deadline for all three positions is January 8th, 2009. Interviews will be held at the end of January.

- [Junior Secretary](#)
- [Vice-Chair, Clinical Services and Standards Committee](#)
- [Workforce Co-ordinator](#)

## Vacancy for Flexible Training Co-Ordinator

Alistair McIntyre has been holding the role of flexible training co-ordinator for the BSG over the last few years but has now decided that it is time to pass it on. We are therefore looking for someone who could take this on. It will not involve a great deal of your time, if you wish you can contact Dr McIntyre at [Alistair.McIntyre@buckshosp.nhs.uk](mailto:Alistair.McIntyre@buckshosp.nhs.uk) or on 01494 425594 who will give you more details.

If you are interested in taking on the role then please let Chris Romaya know at [c.romaya@bsg.org.uk](mailto:c.romaya@bsg.org.uk); or 020 7935 2815

## AGM Webcast

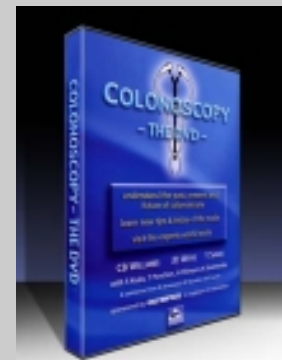
Much of NACC's National meeting and AGM held in London in April was recorded on video and webcast versions have been produced. These are now available to view online at the NACC web site at [www.nacc.org.uk](http://www.nacc.org.uk)

## Appointment of Chair of the Advisory Group on Hepatitis

The Appointments Commission has been commissioned by the Department of Health to manage the recruitment and selection of the Chair of the Advisory Group on Hepatitis (AGH).



## St. Mark's Hospital - Educational CDs and DVDs



St. Mark's Hospital is a leading provider of medical training materials in gastro-intestinal care, catering for students, doctors, nurses, research scientists, surgeons and patients to a professional standard.

A variety of educational CDs and DVDs and interactive DVD-ROMs have been produced by an international line-up of top endoscopic professionals and surgeons.

The library contains everything from practical colonoscopy, nutrition, nurse training in endoscopy, fistula in ano, laparoscopic surgery and

AGH is an advisory non-departmental public body which provides the Health Departments of the UK with expert medical and scientific advice on the prevention and control of viral hepatitis.

The current Chair is standing down at the end of December 2008, and therefore they are looking to appoint a new Chair as a replacement. The successful candidate will be required to take up post from January 2009.

Candidates will be either a senior doctor or scientist with an interest in viral hepatitis and a proven record of achievement and personal credibility within their own field.

[Full Advertisement](#)

## **BSG Monitor**

The BSG's public affairs advisors send us a digest of political activity each week. This includes parliamentary questions and answers, new consultations and key media stories. This is available to all members at the below link, which is updated weekly. Previous issues are also available.

## **A survey to follow, asking about your areas of expertise**

As you will have seen in September's e-newsletter, the BSG has appointed new public affairs advisors – Quintus Public Affairs. The new agency will work to raise the profile of the BSG in political and media circles. Quintus have conducted a number of interviews with Section and committee members. Quintus are keen to harness the broad expertise of our members to help them engage with key political, media and health stakeholders.

A separate email will be sent to you containing five or six open questions about your areas of knowledge. I hope you will complete it and forward to Quintus, our public affairs partners.

[Click here for further information](#)

## **UEGF Newsletter - September 2008**

[Download UEGF Newsletter - September 2008 as Adobe PDF](#)

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advanced polypectomy to new techniques and methods such as Narrow Band Imaging and ESD (endoscopic submucosal dissection).

You can find out more about the St. Mark's range of DVDs at this website: [Click Here](#)

## FIPO Newsletter

The September newsletter from FIPO (Federation of Independent Practitioner Organisations) is available [here](#), which contains important information about new developments in independent practice. Together with the newsletter, FIPO have also sent a questionnaire, which they would like our individual members to complete. The questionnaire is also available [here](#).

## Back Issues of GUT Available

Retired gastroenterologist and BSG member, Dr Frank Tovey, has been in touch with the BSG office to say that he is looking to pass on his collection of GUT, which goes back all the way to 1970. If anyone is interested in having some or all of these issues, please contact Janet Bassett ([j.bassett@bsg.org.uk](mailto:j.bassett@bsg.org.uk)).

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