



Booking and abstract submission is now open for the **Spring 2025 British Journal of Anaesthesia Research Forum run by the Anaesthetic Research Society**. This will take place on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th May at the Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel in Glasgow.

Abstracts:

As ever, the heart of the BJA research forum meeting is the presentation of original research abstracts on Anaesthesia and its related disciplines (namely Critical Care, Peri-operative Medicine & Pain Medicine) including the subspecialties.

Submissions are welcome from clinicians and academics, and from consultants, trainees and students on the full spectrum from clinical to laboratory and *in silico* research and robust Quality Improvement projects.

Submissions from trainee networks are welcomed and encouraged.

Clinical Scientists, Nurses and Allied Healthcare Professionals are also particularly welcome to submit abstracts.

The **deadline for abstract submission is 4th April 2025**. For more information re abstract submission and formatting please see the guidance here:

[Submit an Abstract - Anaesthetic Research Society](#)

Keynote speakers:

In addition to abstract presentations, we have two superb key-note speakers providing insights into translational research at the very highest level:

Professor John Simpson

The UK Translational Research Landscape



Well known amongst the critical care community for his pioneering work on infection in critically ill patients, Professor John Simpson is Professor of Respiratory Medicine at Newcastle University, an honorary consultant in Respiratory Medicine at Newcastle Hospitals NHS FT, and an NIHR Senior Investigator. John has recently taken on the role of Programmes Director for the MRC/NIHR Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation programme and so is extremely well placed to provide his keynote lecture titled **'Translational Research: The UK landscape and some personal reflections'**.

[Staff Profile | Faculty of Medical Sciences | Newcastle University](#)

Professor Andrew Baker

From lab to clinic: Development of a (relatively) simple gene therapy to prevent late vein graft failure.



Professor Andrew Rankin is the British Heart Foundation Professor of Translational Cardiovascular Science, Gustav Born Chair of Vascular Biology and Head of Centre for Cardiovascular Science. Professor Baker's lab is focussed on the mechanisms that control vascular damage and how to influence repair and regeneration of the vascular system using innovative therapies. To this end they developed an innovative gene therapy approach to prevent pathological vascular remodelling associated with coronary artery bypass graft failure and are pursuing this at the clinical interface (in Golden Jubilee National Hospital) – a local story of truly innovative bench-to-bedside translational research!

[Andy Baker Research Group | Centre for Cardiovascular Science](#)

Venue:



This year the forum is being held at the **Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel**, a unique, NHS owned and operated conference venue situated adjacent to the Golden Jubilee National Hospital. Whilst providing first class facilities situated within a 4-star hotel, being an NHS facility provides substantial economies and allows us to offer both the conference and overnight accommodation at very competitive prices.

The Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel is located close to Glasgow airport and a short train journey from the centre of Glasgow [Home Page - GJCH](#).

Social:



At the close of business on Thursday, but before dinner we are planning an optional distillery tour and tasting at the nearby **Auchentoshan distillery** where we will benefit from a private ‘behind closed doors’ experience. Tickets include a welcome cocktail and two tastings.

We will then return to a private room at the conference hotel for a three-course dinner featuring locally sourced, high quality Scottish produce.

Prices and booking:

Delegate	ARS members	Non-members¹
Senior researchers / consultants	£240	£280
Postdoctoral researcher / trainees	£190	£230
Undergraduate / postgraduate students	£140	£180
Dinner	£35	
Accommodation (per night)	£90	
Auchentoshan distillery tour	£25	

¹ARS membership costs just £30 per year – its cheaper to join! www.ars.ac.uk

²Includes transport to the distillery (<5 minutes away), tour lasting one hour, two tastings and a mini-cocktail.

Registration is open now: www.ars.ac.uk

Room and distillery tour bookings can be made with: jocelyn.barr@gjnh.scot.nhs.uk

(Note to obtain discounted pricing as part of the conference package it is essential to book through Jocelyn Barr rather than contact the hotel directly).