



UKCCRG

UK Critical Care Research Group

15th National Forum

Tuesday 9th–Wednesday 10th September 2025

**Royal Northern College of Music,
124 Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9RD**

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Welcome

Welcome to Manchester for the fifteenth annual UK Critical Care Research Forum. It is both an honour and privilege to host our research community here at the Royal Northern College of Music, one of four conservatoires under the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music. Established nearly 200 years ago it serves as a centre of excellence for musical education as well as a renowned venue for diverse public performance.

This year our programme incorporates the usual staples such as organisational updates and research proposals, along with new additions including the results of trials our community have delivered and how we explore new research partnerships with patients and industry. Whilst we hope you will learn much from the varied program, we are even more enthusiastic for your contributions to discussion with our speakers; so if you have a question, please ask it!

Finally, one of the greatest benefits of this annual event are the networking opportunities and sharing of experience with members of our research community in critical care. I would encourage you to attend our social event this evening at The Dome. For those who have purchased tickets, the entrance is via ABC Studios on Quay Street opposite M&S foodhall (what3words: ///charm.angle.elder), 7:30 onwards, look forward to seeing you there..."

Registration

Registration will take place outside the Carole Nash Recital Room

Cloakroom

Cloakroom facilities will be provided, please see signage or ask at the [conference registration desk](#).

Refreshments

All refreshments will be provided on the lower concourse

Meeting Rooms

Main sessions will take place in the Forman Lecture Theatre/Carole Nash Recital Room (Live Stream)

All break out rooms will be signposted around the venue

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Our supporting / sponsoring organisations are listed on the back of this programme

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Tuesday 9th September

08:15 - 09:00 Registration, Tea/Coffee

Session 1 (09.00 - 10.30)

Forman Lecture Theatre, live streamed to Carole Nash Recital Room

Organisational Updates

***Chairs: Natalie Pattison/Jonathan Bannard-Smith (Foreman)
Jan Hansel/Cathy McKenzie
(Carole Nash)***

09.00	Welcome	<i>Jonathan Bannard-Smith</i>
09.05	The UK Critical Care Research Group (UKCCRG)	<i>Bronwen Connolly</i>
09.20	The NIHR Regional Research Delivery Networks	<i>Andrew Ustianowski</i>
09.45	The Intensive Care Society	<i>Shond Laha</i>
10:00	ICNARC	<i>Paul Mouncey</i>
10.15	Introduction & Promotion of PPIE: Clinic Sessions	<i>Jeremy Dearling</i>
10:20	Panel Discussion / Q&As	

10:30 - 11.00 Tea/Coffee

Session 2 (11.00 - 13.15)

Forman Lecture Theatre, live streamed to Carole Nash Recital Room

Key Trial Results

***Chairs: Daniel Horner /
Bronwen Connolly (Foreman),
Jonathan Bannard-Smith /
Natalie Fowler (Carole Nash)***

11.00	ADAPT Sepsis and Process Evaluations	<i>Paul Dark</i>
11.25	UK-ROX	<i>Doug Gould</i>
11.50	BLING-III	<i>Jason Roberts / Greg Barton</i>
12:15	A2B	<i>Cathy McKenzie / Lydia Emerson</i>
12.40	Panel Discussion / Q&As	

13:15 —14.15 Lunch

Lunch Time Session (13.30—14.00)

Research / Investigator Meetings (Rooms below)

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| 1. PANTHER (<i>D McAuley</i>) (Carole Nash Recital Room)
2. T4P & MOSAICC (<i>P Watkinson/L Forni</i>) (Foreman Lecture Theatre) | 3. SHORTER (<i>T Hellyer</i>) (Conference Room)
4. BACCN (The Lounge) |
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Session 3 (14.15 - 15.15)

Parallel Session

Developing Research Careers Forman Lecture Theatre Chairs: Jan Hansel / Claire Mills		Research Proposals Carole Nash Recital Room Chairs: Tim Felton / Dan Harvey	
14.15	Research career development in nursing <i>Lyvonne Tume, Edge Hill University</i>	14.15	WHO—Wearables in Haematology Oncology <i>Anthony Wilson, University of Manchester</i>
14.30	What funding panels are looking for <i>Kathy Rowan, ICNARC</i>	14.30	BREATHEEASE-UKNAVA - Comparison of NAVA and conventional weaning modes. <i>Gary Mills, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals</i>
14.45	Finding a research mentor <i>Jonathan Bannard-Smith, Manchester Royal Infirmary</i>	14.45	PERMIT - Feasibility of Organ Perfusion-Guided Permissive Hypotension in the ICU: A Randomised Controlled Trial <i>Ned Gilbert-Kawai, Royal Liverpool Hospital</i>
15:00	Off the beaten path: Getting the balance right in clinical academia <i>Peter Turton, Warrington and Halton Hospitals</i>	15:00	LIBERATE - Midodrine for the early liberation of vasopressor support in the intensive care unit <i>Oleksa Rewa, University of Alberta, Canada</i>

15.15—15.45 Tea/Coffee

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Session 4 (15.45 - 17.30)

Parallel Sessions

Working with Industry Forman Lecture Theatre Chairs: Gareth Kitchen / Brendan McGrath		Nursing, AHP & Trial Managers Networking The Lounge Chairs: Kath Sellers / Kate Barugh / Claire Jennings		Updates on Funded Trials Carole Nash Recital Room Chairs: Pete Alexander / Dan Harvey	
15.45	National Ambition to Local Action: The MFT Approach <i>Katherine Boylan, Manchester University NHS Trust</i>		15.45	AnakARDS - A phase 2 randomised clinical trial to evaluate the efficacy of anakinra in patients with the acute respiratory distress syndrome <i>Andrew Boyle, Queens University, Belfast</i>	
16.05	Atos Medical Investigator Initiated Trials (IIT) Pathway: Overview and Support <i>Claire Mills, Guys & St Thomas' NHS Trust / Claire Rodd, ATOS Medical</i>		16.05	DELTA-ICU – Delirium and Thiamine in the intensive care unit <i>Cathy McKenzie, University of Southampton</i>	
16.25	Redefining Hypercapnia Management in Acute COPD exacerbation <i>Dr Ioannis Pantazopoulos, University of Thessaly, Greece, Fisher & Paykel</i>		16.30	T4P - a prospective randomised trial to define the platelet count below which critically ill patients should receive a platelet transfusion prior to an invasive procedure <i>Peter Watkinson, University of Oxford</i>	
16.50	20 years of developing healthcare technologies; lessons learned and how to identify your own collaborators <i>Andrew Weightman, University of Manchester</i>		16.50		
17:15	Panel Discussion / Q&As		17:15	Panel Discussion / Q&As	

Evening Session (17.30—18:00)

Chair: Paul Dark

Plenary Lecture: *Professor Sean Bagshaw, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada*

Evening Session (18.00 - 19.00)

Research / Investigator Meetings (Rooms below)

1. **SepTIC (A Gordon)** (Conference Room)

2. **CoReCCT Main Session** (The Lounge)

UKCCRF Social Event

The Dome,

21-23 Quay Street, Manchester, M3 4AE

19.30 for 20.00

Dress Smart/Casual



Wednesday 10th September

08:00 - 09.00 Tea/Coffee

Annual General Meeting (08:30—09:00)

Forman Lecture Theatre, live streamed to Carole Nash Recital Room

Update from UKCCRG and Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Session 5 (09.00 - 10.30)

Forman Lecture Theatre, live streamed to Carole Nash Recital Room

	Communicating Research & Ensuring Impact	<i>Chairs: Tim Felton / Alicia Waite (Forman) / Pete Alexander / Ben Creagh-Brown (Carole Nash)</i>
09.00	Novel research dissemination strategies	<i>Mike Charlesworth</i>
09.25	The publishing industry	<i>Barbara Philips</i>
09:50	From the editorial board: Gauging clinical impact from publications	<i>Iain Crossingham</i>
10.15	Panel Discussion / Q&As	

10:30 - 11.00 Tea/Coffee

Session 6 (11.00 - 12.30)

Parallel Sessions

Partnerships with Patients <i>Forman Lecture Theatre</i> <i>Chairs: Jeremy Dearling / Natalie Pattison</i>		Research Proposals <i>Carole Nash Recital Room</i> <i>Chairs: Jon Silversides / Louise Stayt</i>	
11.00	The patient perspective <i>Charli Parvin, Previous patient and Therapeutic Radiographer</i>	11.00	TOP-TBI - Timing Of venous thromboembolism Prophylaxis for adult patients with Traumatic Brain Injury: a pragmatic, randomised trial <i>Daniel Horner, Northern Care Alliance</i>
11.15	The James Lind Alliance Priority Setting Partnership Update <i>Bronwen Connolly, Queen's University, Belfast</i>	11.15	ENSARIA 2 - A stepped wedge cluster trial of venous thromboembolism prevention in critical care <i>Natalie Fowler, Manchester University NHSFT</i>
11.30	Patient and public involvement in Manchester: We are VOCAL <i>Daniel Taylor</i>	11.30	DINE-Out: Does Intermittent Nutrition Enteral impact Outcomes in critically ill adults: a randomised controlled trial. <i>Matt Thomas, North Bristol NHS Trust</i>
11.45	Enhancing communication with bereaved relatives about research participation before death <i>Kerry Woolfall, University of Liverpool</i>	11.45	DAYDREAM: A randomised feasibility trial, of daytime only enteral feeding compared to standard feeding, to reduce delirium in mechanically ventilated patients. <i>Jessie Welbourne, University Hospitals Plymouth</i>
12:00	Update on consent in critical care research <i>Dan Harvey, Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham</i>	12:00	WISDOM - LoW Dose-Intensity vs. Standard Dose Intensity Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy in Critically Ill Patients: A Pilot Randomized Trial <i>Marlies Ostermann, Guy's & St Thomas' / Sean Bagshaw, University of Alberta, Canada</i>
12:15	Panel Discussion / Q&A	12:15	Panel Discussion / Q&A

Wednesday 10th September

12.30—13.30 Lunch

Lunch Time Session (12.45 - 13.15)

Research / Investigator Meetings (Rooms below)

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| 1. MARCH (<i>B Connolly</i>) (Conference Room) | 3. CoReCCT Drop-in Q&A (Forman Lecture Theatre) |
| 2. DELTA-ICU (<i>C McKenzie</i>) (Carole Nash Recital Room) | 4. TRIC (The Lounge) |

Session 7 (13:30 - 15.00)

Parallel Sessions

Wearable Tech Forman Lecture Theatre Chairs: Gareth Kitchen / Ben Creagh-Brown		Research Proposals Carole Nash Recital Room Chairs: Brendan McGrath / Alicia Waite	
13:30	Wearable vital signs monitoring in hospitals, where are we now? <i>Anthony Wilson, Manchester University</i>	13:30	EMERALD - Mixed-methods randomised study exploring the feasibility and acceptability of eye-movement desensitisation and reprocessing for improving the mental health of traumatised survivors of intensive care following hospital discharge. <i>Andrew Bates, NIHR Southampton BRC</i>
13:45	The future of wearable sensor technology in hospitals <i>Alex Casson, University of Manchester</i>	13:45	TIGERS - Tailored Interventions Guided by Endotypic Responses in Sepsis <i>Jon Silversides, Queens University, Belfast</i>
14:00	New-onset atrial fibrillation in critical care: An opportunity for early detection <i>Brian Johnston, University of Liverpool</i>	14:00	STEROids after Cardiac Arrest and RESuscitation (STERO-CARE) <i>Peter McGuigan, Queens University, Belfast</i>
14:15	Bridging the Glucose Gap in Hospital Care: The Role of Wearable Continuous Glucose Monitoring <i>Hood Thabit, Manchester University</i>		
14:30	Leveraging Technology: Challenges and Opportunities for Software in Critical Care Research <i>Jake Waters, Mela Solutions</i>		
14:45	Panel Discussion / Q&A	14:45	Panel Discussion / Q&A

Wednesday 10th September

15.00—15.30 Tea/Coffee

Session 8 (15.30 - 17.00)

Parallel Sessions

Research Delivery: Priorities & Challenges

Forman Lecture Theatre (live streamed to Carole Nash Recital Room)

Chairs: Natalie Fowler / Jonathan Bannard-Smith

15.30	Sustainable research in the NHS <i>Imogen Stringer, Great Ormond Street Hospital</i>
16:00	Making Research Greener <i>Cliff Shelton & Catherine El-Zerbi, Lancaster University & NIHR Research Support Service</i>
16:30	Competing demands of a national research portfolio: Panel Discussion <i>Katharine Sellers, Bronwen Connolly, Jon Silversides and others...</i>

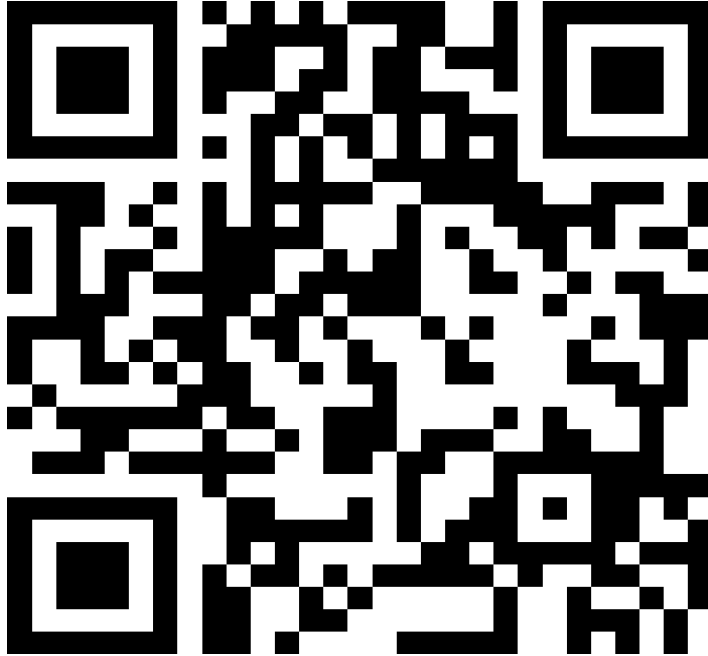
Close of UKCCRF 2025

Jonathan Bannard-Smith

Handover to UKCCRF 2026

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Speakers/Chairs

Peter Alexander	Consultant in Intensive Care Medicine Wythenshawe Hospital
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Greg Barton	Critical Care and Burns Pharmacist Whiston Hospital
Kate Barugh	Senior Research Operational Manager Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
Andrew Bates	Research Fellow University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust
Katherine Boylan	Head of Innovation, Research and Innovation Manchester University
Andrew Boyle	Academic Clinical Lecturer Queen's University Belfast
Alex Casson	Professor of Biomedical Engineering University of Manchester
Mike Charlesworth	Consultant in Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia, Critical Care and ECMO, Manchester University Hospitals NHSFT
Bronwen Connolly	Chair, Critical Care, Wellcome-Wolfson Institute for Experimental Medicine, Queen's University, Belfast
Ben Creagh-Brown	Professor Royal Surrey County Hospital
Iain Crossingham	Consultant Intensivist & Respiratory Physician East Lancashire Hospital
Sophie Danks	Marketing Manager Fisher & Paykel Healthcare
Paul Dark	Professor of Critical Care Medicine University of Manchester
Jeremy Dearling	PPI (Patients and Public Involvement) representative
Darren Eskdale	Clinical Educator Fisher & Paykel Healthcare
Catherine El Zervi	Senior Research Fellow in Sustainability NIHR RSS / Lancaster University
Lydia Emerson	Senior Research Fellow The Medical School, University of Exeter
Tim Felton	Professor of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine University of Manchester
Natalie Fowler	Chief Critical Care Scientist Manchester University NHS FT
Doug Gould	Senior Researcher Intensive Care National Audit and Research Centre (ICNARC)

Speakers/Chairs

Jan Hansel	NIHR Doctoral Fellow The University of Manchester
Dan Harvey	Consultant Critical Care (NUH) & Lead Innovation & Research in Organ Donation (NHSBT) Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham University Hospital
Daniel Horner	Consultant in Emergency / Critical Care Medicine Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust
Claire Jennings	Paediatric Critical Care Research Nurse Royal Manchester Children's Hospital
Brian Johnston	Advanced Clinical Fellow Intensive Care Medicine University of Liverpool
Ned Gilbert Kawai	Consultant Liverpool University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Gareth Kitchen	Senior Clinical Lecturer University of Manchester
Shond Laha	President Intensive Care Society
Brendan McGrath	ICU Consultant and Honorary Professor Manchester University
Peter McGuigan	Consultant in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine Royal Victoria Hospital
Cathy McKenzie	Consultant Pharmacist in Critical Care, Pharmacy and Critical Care and Honorary Associate Professor University of Southampton
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Ioannis Pantazopoulos	University of Thessaly, Larissa, Greece, Fisher & Paykel
Charli Parvin	Therapeutic Radiographer The Christie NHS Foundation Trust
Natalie Pattison	Professor of Clinical Nursing University of Hertfordshire/East and North Herts NHS Trust
Barbara Phillips	Professor of Intensive Care Medicine, Brighton and Sussex Medical School, University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust
Oleska Rewa	Intensivist, Associate Professor University of Alberta
Jason Roberts	Professor of Medicine & Pharmacy University of Queensland, Australia

Speakers/Chairs

Claire Rodd	Head of Clinical Education/Speech & Language Therapist ATOS Medical UK
Kathy Rowan	Programme Director for NIHR Health and Social Care Delivery Research Programme and Director of the Intensive Care National Audit and Research Centre (ICNARC)
Katharine Sellers	Clinical Trial Manager Manchester University NHS FT
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Jon Silversides	Consultant Belfast City Hospital
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Hood Thabit	Consultant Diabetologist and Senior Lecturer Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
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Kerry Woolfall	Professor of Health Research Methodology, Head of Public Health, Policy and Systems University of Liverpool

Feedback and Certificate of Attendance

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