



# ST JOHN'S DERM ACADEMY

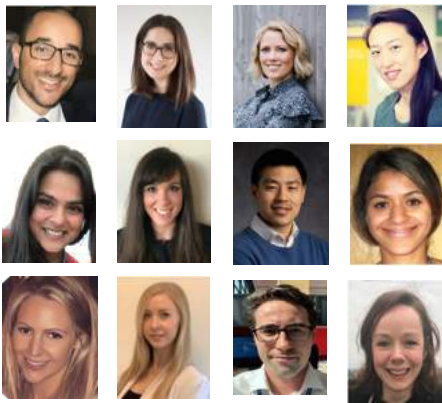
**INSIDE THIS ISSUE:** *DermAcademy Autumn/Winter 2020 educational events for health care professionals and patients, new educational resources, funding to support learning and education, an introduction to new members of the DermAcademy team and our upcoming courses for 2021.*

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Welcome to the third edition of our St John's DermAcademy newsletter. Our mission is to provide high quality educational opportunities to healthcare professionals and promote evidence-based diagnosis and management of skin disease. Over the past year we have worked to develop both existing and new educational resources for healthcare professionals and patients. As we look back over the year, we would like to thank all those who have contributed to DermAcademy and we look forward to an exciting programme of events for 2021.

## Autumn/Winter Educational Events for Healthcare Professionals

### High Intensity Dermatology SCE Revision course, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020



The Specialty Certificate Examination (SCE) is a compulsory component of assessment for Certificate of Completion of Training in dermatology. In September this year, 6 weeks before the exam, we held an intensive revision course focusing on key facts and concepts essential for the exam and offered delegates the opportunity to practice answering MCQs in the format of the exam. The course and its programme was developed by Dr Amr Salam and is delivered by Senior Dermatology Registrars and Consultants (*from left to right: Dr Amr Salam, Dr Sarah Mehrtens, Dr Lucy Thomas, Dr Xinyi Du, Dr Khushboo Sinha, Dr Felicity Ferguson, Dr Eugene Ong, Dr Sophie Momen, Dr Hayley*

*Leeman, Dr Miriam Fitzgerald, Dr Bjorn Thomas, Dr Alison Sears*). We welcomed 138 UK and international trainees to the course this year and we look forward to holding next year's course online again on **16<sup>th</sup> September 2021**.

### Dermoscopy Course, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Our annual Dermoscopy course, led by Dr Patalay and Dr Lacy, showcased lectures from international Dermoscopy experts Prof. Amilios Lallas and Dr Ashfaq Marghoob, in addition to talks from our own experts, Dr Patalay, Dr Stefanato and Dr Lacy. The day of lectures was interspersed with live dermoscopy quizzes to keep our audience engaged and test their knowledge. Next year's course will take place on **1<sup>st</sup> October 2021** and we are pleased to have Prof. Giuseppe Argenziano, Head of the Dermatology Unit at the University of Campania, Italy as a key speaker of the day.



*L to R: Dr Katie Lacy, Dr Alison Sears, Dr Rakesh Patalay, Dr Alexandra Paolino, Ruth Mills, Dr Catherine Stefanato.*

# Autumn/Winter Educational Events for Healthcare Professionals

## Psoriasis Therapeutics Masterclass, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020



A new course to our series is the Psoriasis Therapeutics Masterclass led by clinicians in the Severe Psoriasis Service at St John's Institute of Dermatology. The course was attended by 173 consultant dermatologists, trainees and specialist nurses. Prof. Jonathan Barker introduced pathogenesis-based therapeutics, Prof. Catherine Smith took us through selecting the right biologic for your patient, as well as making the most of conventional systemic therapies. Dr Andrew Pink discussed our expanding armoury of biologics, Dr Richard Woolf reviewed small molecule inhibitors and Dr Satveer Mahil finished the afternoon by evaluating the impact COVID-19 has had on our patients with psoriasis and summarising the findings from the PsoProtect registry.

## Advanced Cutaneous Oncology Course, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020

This 1-day live webinar course is another new addition to our programme which uniquely provides updates in the management of cutaneous lymphoma, melanoma and squamous cell carcinomas. The programme was delivered by an impressive panel of cutaneous oncology experts (*left to right: Dr Fiona Child, Dr Rakesh Patalay, Dr Katie Lacy, Dr Mary Wain, Dr Raj Mallipeddi, Mr Mackenzie-Ross, Dr Stephen Morris, Professor Catherine Harwood, Dr Magnus Lynch, Professor Sean Whittaker, Dr Susan Lalondrelle, Dr Mark Harries*) and attracted over 200 delegates.



## Clinical Dermatology Care Course for Nurses, Sept-Dec 2020

This year the Clinical Dermatology Care Course for Nurses, which is normally classroom based, was instead delivered through a new online platform. Six themed study days comprised a mixture of pre-recorded lectures and live webinars. We were able to interact with students through the learning platform via post boards, chat and Q&A during live webinars. We were pleased to have 37 healthcare professionals from around UK and Ireland attend the course, including 9 St. John's nurses.



*From left to right: Nurse Consultants and Course Co-Directors Lucy Moorhead and Karina Jackson.*



# Autumn/Winter Educational Events for Patients

## Psoriasis, COVID-19 & Me

Patient & public involvement evening

Wednesday 4th November 2020

Join our free webinar for an evening of informative talks about the impact of the pandemic on people who are living with psoriasis. Brought to you by St John's Derm Academy and the Psoriasis Association.

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## Patient and Public involvement event: 'Psoriasis, COVID-19 and Me' Webinar, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

We recently held our first online patient and public involvement event in collaboration with the Psoriasis Association ([www.psoriasis-association.org.uk](http://www.psoriasis-association.org.uk)). The event attracted over 160 attendees and was chaired by Prof. Jonathan Barker. The evening featured informative talks about the challenges of living with psoriasis during the pandemic from Psoriasis Association Chief Executive, Helen McAteer, and research highlights from the PsoProtect and PsoProtectMe registries from Prof. Catherine Smith and Dr Satveer Mahil. We enjoyed answering questions

from the audience in our dedicated Q&A session and we are very grateful to all those who were able to attend. Anyone who missed the event can catch up via the following [link](#).

## NEW learning resources - Podcasts

This year we launched our St John's DermAcademy Podcast. Our podcasts are targeted at healthcare professionals including dermatology consultants, dermatology trainees, GPs and specialist nurses.

The aim of our podcast is to update and share practical tips on how experts in their field diagnose and treat common dermatological conditions in our short episodes that you can easily listen to whilst on the go. We hope you find these podcasts a useful way to stay up to date and build your knowledge in dermatology. You can listen to our podcast through: <https://www.stjohnsdermacademy.com/podcasts> as well as a number of platforms including Apple, Spotify and other podcast apps.

Once you've listened to our podcast, we would love to hear your feedback and suggestions for future topics. Please submit your feedback via the following link (survey takes only 2 minutes): <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5WCTXP7>



### Listen to our St John's DermAcademy Podcast



**EPISODE 1:** How I diagnose and treat facial hyperpigmentation with Dr Emma Craythorne



**EPISODE 2:** Cutaneous manifestations of COVID-19 with Dr Rachel Morris Jones



**EPISODE 3:** Occupational dermatoses during the COVID-19 pandemic with Dr Felicity Ferguson



**EPISODE 4:** PART 1– Cutaneous Sarcoidosis: definition, clinical features characterising cutaneous sarcoidosis with Dr Sarah Walsh



**EPISODE 5:** PART 2– Cutaneous Sarcoidosis: screening for systemic involvement and treatment with Dr Sarah Walsh

## Supporting learning and education

We are committed to promoting and supporting education of healthcare professionals in dermatology. This year we have supported 12 dermatology nurses at St John's in undertaking the Clinical Dermatology Care Course. We are pleased to have been able to award Dr Alexandra Paolino, our current fellow in Medical Education and Medical Dermatology a scholarship to undertake a Diploma in Medical Education. For 2021, we will be offering scholarships to St John's trainees to attend external conferences. Further details of the scholarships offered will be released in the new year. We also continue to offer subsidised tickets to dermatology trainees, nurses and other healthcare professionals who wish to attend our courses. Please email [info@stjohnsdermacadmy.com](mailto:info@stjohnsdermacadmy.com) for further information.

## New team members



### **Ruth Mills, St John's DermAcademy Administrator**

Ruth has worked in the NHS for over twenty years, both at Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust and at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust. She worked for St John's Institute of Dermatology as a medical secretary for three years before joining the St John's DermAcademy in October this year and is a valued member of our team.



### **Dr Alison Sears, Clinical Fellow in Medical Education & Medical Dermatology**

Alison has recently completed her dermatology training at King's College Hospital and St John's Institute of Dermatology and will be taking over the role as Senior Clinical Fellow in Medical Education and Medical Dermatology at St John's from January 2021.

## Upcoming educational events for health care professionals

### **Hidradenitis Suppurativa Masterclass, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

There are only a few days until this half day masterclass which provides an overview and update on the diagnosis, holistic assessment and management options for people with hidradenitis suppurativa. The course is led by St John's Institute of Dermatology Hidradenitis Suppurativa service. Faculty include consultant dermatologists: Dr Helena Malhomme, Dr Ellie Rashid and Dr Felicity Ferguson. For more course information or to book your place please click on the following [link](#).



*L to R: Dr Helena Malhomme, Dr Ellie Rashid  
and Dr Felicity Ferguson*

# Upcoming educational events for healthcare professionals



## Psychodermatology Course, 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021

We are excited to announce this new 1 day live webinar, which covers key aspects of adult and paediatric psychodermatology, including habit reversal, communication skills, psychopharmacology and how to manage compulsive behaviours. The course is led by leading experts in psychodermatology, in collaboration with Psychodermatology UK.

We invite submissions of research/case report abstracts and questions for the "Ask the Experts" panel session (**deadline 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020**). Please see our website for the application form [link](#) and email your submission to [psychodermatology@hotmail.com](mailto:psychodermatology@hotmail.com).

### Other upcoming courses for 2021:

17 <sup>th</sup> May	10 <sup>th</sup> Allergy and the Skin Course
3-4 <sup>th</sup> June	Skin biopsy course for Nurses
9 <sup>th</sup> September	Atopic Dermatitis Masterclass
16 <sup>th</sup> September	High Intensity SCE Course
1 <sup>st</sup> October	Dermoscopy Course
Sept - Dec	Clinical Dermatology Care Course for Nurses
7-8 <sup>th</sup> October	GP Dermatology Course
11-12 <sup>th</sup> November	Epidermolysis Bullosa Course
16-17 <sup>th</sup> November	Paediatric Dermatology Course

Please see our website and social media for updates on courses and other educational content:

[www.stjohnsdermacademy.com](http://www.stjohnsdermacademy.com)



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