



MSc Sports and Exercise Medicine - Sports Involvement

Our staff and graduates are actively involved in looking after sports teams and elite athletes.

Current and past positions held by our staff/graduates

Basketball

- Mr Dave Hancock (1999 graduate) is the Director of Training and Conditioning for the New York Knicks Basketball team.
- Dr Gurjit Bhogal (2009 graduate) was Honorary Medical Officer to the Worcester Wolves Basketball team.

Canoeing

- Mr Tom Hignett (2011 graduate) is Physiotherapist working with GB Paracanoe/Canoeing.

Cricket

- Dr Nick Peirce (1996 graduate), is the Chief Medical Officer for the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), responsible for all medical issues related to senior England cricketers.
- Dr Harjinder Singh (2003 graduate) is the Medical Officer at Leicestershire County Cricket Club.
- Mr Rob Leather (2007 graduate) is Head Physiotherapist at Leicestershire County Cricket Club.
- Dr Gurjit Bhogal (2009 graduate) is the Medical Officer for the Worcestershire County Cricket Club.
- Mr Nitin Patel (2004 graduate) is Physiotherapist for the National Cricket Academy, India.

Football

- Mr Asif Din (current student) is Academy Physiotherapist at Manchester United Football Club looking after players aged 9-16.
- Mr Chris Rusling (2014 graduate) is Academy Physiotherapist at Middlesbrough Football Club.
- Dr Rohi Shah (2014 graduate) is the Medical Officer for Notts County Football Club.
- Mr Johnny Wilson (2013 graduate) is Head of Sports Medicine at Notts County Football Club.
- Mr Sam MacGregor (2013 graduate) is Head of Academy Sports Science & Medicine at Derby County Football Club.
- Dr Jonathan Power (2012 graduate) is the Team doctor for England Women's Football U17.
- Dr Prince Pambo (2011 graduate) is Medical Advisor to the Ghana Football Association and Team Doctor for one of their national teams, the Black Satellites.
- Dr Pambo was Ghana's National Project Leader for the FIFA/F-MARC's "11 for Health" programme. He was also the Project Co-ordinator for a study entitled "Comparative epidemiological study of football injuries among premier players". This study includes Ghana, Nigeria, Algeria and Qatar.
- Dr Gurjit Bhogal (2009 graduate) was the Medical Officer at Kidderminster Harriers Football Club.



- Dr Chris Adomakoh (2002 graduate) was Team Physician for one of Ghana's senior national soccer teams, the Local Black Stars.

Horse racing

- Mr Kevin Hunt (2003 graduate) works with the Professional Jockeys Association as part of their jockey injury management team providing physiotherapy cover at Huntingdon, Newmarket and Nottingham. He also runs a private sports injury clinic in Cambridgeshire.

Rowing

- Dr Guy Evans (2011 graduate) is the Team doctor for Great Britain U23 rowing.

Rugby

- Dr Gurjit Bhogal (2009 graduate) is the Medical Officer at Bristol Rugby Club.
- Dr Jonathan Power (2012 graduate) is the Medical Officer at Leeds Rugby Academy (Leeds Rhinos RL and Leeds Carnegie RU).

Tennis

Injuries are always an important issue for players during the Wimbledon Tennis Championships.

- Professor Mark Batt (Honorary Professor) provides medical support to players during the tournament at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club during June and July in his capacity as Wimbledon Sports Physician.
- Professor Mark Batt worked with the International Tennis Federation (ITF) to develop a consensus agreement for the study of injuries and illnesses in tennis.

Many of our MSc graduates/staff provided medical support at a range of sporting events including:

Recent competitions

- Physiotherapist for the Singapore National Team at the South East Asian Games in Singapore, 5-16 June, 2015.

Expedition doctor in Mongolia

In July 2014 Dr Clodagh Dugdale, one of our Assistant Professors, was the expedition doctor for a group of teenagers who were mountaineering in Bayan Ulgi - the remotest of the 21 provinces of Mongolia. The trip took 3 weeks, camping at temperatures of minus 25 degrees as they ascended towards the summit of the mountains which lie on the Mongolian, Russian and Chinese borders.

The 2014 Commonwealth Games, Glasgow

Dr Lisa Hodgson, one of our Assistant Professors, was Venue Medical Manager for Hockey and Rugby 7s at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in June 2014. One of her roles was to oversee the delivery of first class immediate care and sports and exercise medicine to all athletes on and off the field of play and the delivery of the emergency/first aid care to the hundreds and thousands of spectators at each venue for the various events.



London 2012 Olympic Games

A number of our staff, graduates and student provided medical care and support to athletes and the general public at the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games:

Staff

- Dr Lisa Hodgson worked at the London Olympic Games in the capacity as Venue Medical Manager within the Central Zones with particular responsibility for Horse Guards Parade (HGP). HGP was a temporary venue hosting the Men's and Women's Beach Volleyball tournament.
- Dr Clodagh Dugdale looked after the Equestrian event at Greenwich Park, as well as the BMX Cycling event at the BMX Track.
- Professor Mark Batt was at Wimbledon looking after the Tennis competition of the London 2012 Olympic Games.

Graduates

- Dr Gurj Bhogal (2010 graduate) was a Sports Medicine doctor at ExCel London, looking after mainly the boxing event.
- Dr Betty Cantonsmith (2009 graduate) was the Team Doctor for Paralympic Archery GB. She was at the Paralympic Archery event at Lord's Cricket Ground in September.
- Dr Guy Evans (2011 graduate) was a Field of Play Recovery Team Leader for the football tournament.
- Dr Anyl Lloyd Gopeesingh (2004 graduate) attended in the capacity as Team Physician for Trinidad and Tobago.
- Miss Linda Hardy (2007 graduate) was a member of the physiotherapy team for the LOCOG (London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games) at the athlete village.
- Mr Kevin Hunt (2003 graduate) was a physiotherapist at the Equestrian event at Greenwich Park.
- Miss Rosy Hyman (2010 graduate), an osteopath, was at the Sailing venue in Weymouth for the Olympic and Paralympic Games.
- Dr Pria Krishnasamy (2007 graduate) covered Water Polo at the Water Polo Arena and Paralympic Cycling at the Velodrome.
- Dr Susie Northover (2000 graduate) was at the Gymnastics competition at North Greenwich Arena as a Sports Medic. She also covered Goalball at the Paralympic Games.
- Dr Lizzy Ojelade (2006 graduate) was a Field of Play Recovery Team member at the Olympic Stadium for the Olympics and at the Excel Centre for the Paralympics.
- Dr Winston Rennie (2008 graduate), as a member of the British Society of Skeletal Radiologists, provided MRI scanning for athletes in the Olympic Park.
- Ms Julie Sparrow (1999 graduate) was one of two LOCOG volunteer physiotherapists with a roving brief. She was based in the Olympic Village Polyclinic.
- Dr Kate Strachan (1999 graduate) is the Medical Officer for the GB Slalom Canoeing team and was at the Lee Valley White Water Centre this summer. She also looked after the athletes at the holding camp at Loughborough in July.
- Dr Patrick Wheeler (2004 graduate) is the Chief Medical Officer for British Triathlon and worked with them at the Triathlon in Hyde Park. Dr Wheeler is also the Lead Doctor for Paralympics GB. He was working with a team to provide medical care to all the British Paralympic athletes at the Paralympic Games. In addition, he is the Chief Medical Officer for GB Disability Target Shooting.

- Dr Anna Zickerman-Quinn (2001 graduate) covered the Sailing event in Weymouth.
- Dr Jonathan Power, a part-time student graduated in December 2012, acted as a Field of Play Recovery Team Leader at the Aquatics Centre covering Swimming, Diving and Synchronised Swimming.

Other competitions:

- Physiotherapist at the Paracanoe World Championships in Germany, August 2013.
- Physiotherapist at the Canoe Slalom U23 European Championships in Slovakia, July 2013.
- Physiotherapist at the Paracanoe European Championships in Portugal, in June 2013.
- Doctor for the GB Elite squad at ICC Champions Trophy competition at Edgbaston, June 2013.
- Independent doctor for the ITF Davis Cup match between Great Britain and Russia in Coventry, April 2013.
- Team doctor for Team GB at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival 2013 in Sydney, January 2013.
- Doctor for the British Triathlon team at the 2012 ITU World Championship Series Grand Final in Auckland.
- Team doctor for the Great Britain U23 rowing squad at the World Championships in Lithuania 2012.
- Physiotherapist for the Track and Field team at the 2012 IAAF Istanbul World Indoor Athletics Championships.
- Physiotherapist for the Taiwan Track and Field team at the 2011 IAAF Dargu World Athletic Championships and 2011 Kobe Asian Athletics Championships.