

## Course Faculty

### Speaker

#### **Clinical Associate-Professor Alexia Karantana, Clinical Associate-Professor in Hand Surgery, Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.**

[Alexia](#) is a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon in Hand Surgery at Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham and Clinical Associate Professor of Hand Surgery at the University of Nottingham. She is based at the newly established Centre for Evidence Based Hand Surgery and works closely with the British Society for Surgery of the Hand (BSSH) to promote high quality multi-centre clinical research in common hand conditions. As part of her collaborative role, she is also based at the Nottingham Clinical Trials Unit.

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#### **Ms Judy Wright, Senior Information Specialist, Faculty of Medicine and Health, Leeds Institute of Health Sciences, University of Leeds, Leeds, UK.**

[Judy](#) is a qualified librarian and is leading the development of health research information support offered to LIHS with a team of Information Specialists located within the Academic Unit of Health Economics. Judy manages a portfolio of activities supporting health research staff at both the University of Leeds and NHS Trusts across Yorkshire via the NIHR Research Design Service for Yorkshire and the Humber region.

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#### **Ms Natalie King, Information Specialist, Faculty of Medicine and Health, Leeds Institute of Health Sciences, University of Leeds, Leeds, UK.**

[Natalie](#) joined AUHE in June 2015 after 7 years working in the NHS as a Clinical Librarian. She is responsible for delivering literature searches for projects and support for reference management and current awareness tools. Along with her project work, Natalie provides advice and support on review methods to University of Leeds research staff and to NHS researchers via the NIHR Research Design Service for Yorkshire and the Humber region.

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#### **Professor Sarah Lewington, Scientific Director- MSc in Global Health Science, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK.**

[Sarah](#) is one of the Scientific Directors for the MSc in Global Health Science, with responsibility for the development, delivery and management of the fully revised MSc degree course. Sarah spent 5 years working as a medical statistician in the pharmaceutical industry before returning to university to study for an MSc in Applied Statistics. She came to Oxford University to co-ordinate the Prospective Studies Collaboration in 1995 and gained her DPhil in Epidemiology in 1999. Sarah's main research interest is in major risk factors for premature adult mortality, with a particular focus on tobacco, alcohol, blood pressure and obesity, and is the Oxford-based principal investigator for studies conducted in Russia, Cuba and India. She leads a team of epidemiologists, statisticians and statistical programmers that forms the CTSU's Population Studies Group.

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#### **Professor Yemisi Takwoingi, Professor of Test Evaluation and Evidence Synthesis, Head of the Department of Applied Health Sciences, University of Birmingham.**

[Yemisi](#) is Professor of Test Evaluation and Evidence Synthesis and Head of Department of Applied Health Sciences at the University of Birmingham, UK. She collaborates as a biostatistician/methodologist on research awards spanning early phase evaluation of diagnostics through to clinical studies and evidence synthesis to inform guideline development across a range of clinical fields. Yemisi co-convenes the Cochrane Screening and Diagnostic Tests Methods Group and is a member of the Cochrane Editorial Board. She is also the Capacity Development Lead for the National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR) West Midlands Evidence Synthesis Group (ESG) and the NIHR Warwick-Birmingham Screening ESG.

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#### **Dr Jun Xia, Co-Director Nottingham Ningbo GRADE Centre, University of Nottingham-Ningbo.**

[Jun](#) has a background in healthcare research methods and evidence synthesis. She joined the Cochrane Schizophrenia Group in 2005, specializes in research methodology and systematic review. To date, she has published over 30 Cochrane systematic reviews in relation to the effectiveness of care for people with schizophrenia, stroke, depression, cancer treatment and pain management. Jun established Systematic Review Solutions Ltd (SRS) in 2009, providing training on systematic review and evidence-based practice to clinicians and healthcare professionals globally. She has delivered over 60 systematic review workshops globally and over 3000 healthcare professionals have benefited from this training.

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## Facilitator

**Mr Sandeep Deshmukh, PhD Student, Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.**

Sandeep is a postgraduate researcher who is in the final year of his PhD with the Centre for Evidence Based Hand Surgery. He has completed an extensive systematic review of treatment outcomes as part of his PhD work. He has also published a number of systematic reviews within the field of orthopaedic research.

[The Centre for Evidence Based Hand Surgery \(CEBHS\)](#) is a collaboration between the British Society for Surgery of the Hand, The University of Nottingham and Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust, working with patients and the wider community of all those involved in hand surgery care.



The CEBHS core membership comprises clinicians, academics and researchers from [Academic Orthopaedics, Trauma and Sports Medicine](#) and the [Nottingham Clinical Trials Unit \(NCTU\)](#).