

# Nottingham Breast Cancer Research Centre

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## NEWSLETTER

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### GET INVOLVED

If you would like to help with fundraising events or are thinking of organising your own to support our Centre, please contact

[Dawn.broomfield@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:Dawn.broomfield@nottingham.ac.uk)

### BAKE SALE

Thanks and well done to all the helpers of the Bake Sale. We raised a total of £93.83.



### EVENTS

9th June 2018

Trent Valley Charity Walk

[pamela.pepper@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:pamela.pepper@nottingham.ac.uk)

24th June 2018

Great Notts Bike Ride

[dawn.broomfield@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:dawn.broomfield@nottingham.ac.uk)

12th August 2018

Nottingham 10k

<https://www.runforall.com/events/10k/nottingham-10k/>

30 September 2018

Robin Hood Half Marathon

[https://www.sweatshopevents.co.uk/irhm18/entry\\_half18.asp](https://www.sweatshopevents.co.uk/irhm18/entry_half18.asp)

10th November 2018

Boobie Ball

Tickets Sold Out



### WELCOME TO OUR FIRST EDITION

#### A NEW INITIATIVE

Our Centre was launched on 25 March 2018. We are a group of breast cancer experts with an aim to improve progression with research by collaborative working. We are interested in breast cancer at all levels and we focus our research in three areas:



In addition, we are passionate about raising awareness about breast cancer, how to examine yourself, where to get support and how to find out more information. We will be sharing little gems about our research and awareness information in future editions of this newsletter.

#### LAUNCH SUCCESS



We are pleased to announce the success of our Launch and Awareness Event in March. We made front-page news in the Nottingham Post and featured in East Midlands Today.

Patients and families, academics and a variety of people with an interest in breast cancer attended the day. Among the guests, we were very lucky to have the Mayor and Mayoress of Nottingham and Maggie Throup MP for Erewash.

#### SUMMARY OF EVENT

The event consisted of two days of enlightening discussions at the Medical School, QMC.

- Day One was our public event where patients gave some heartfelt, motivational talks about their journeys and experiences with breast cancer. These talks really struck a chord with the researchers and the importance of their efforts became more meaningful. They also inspired the patients and families in the audience and gave them something to relate to. Breast cancer researchers gave general overviews of their work and the progress that is being made.

- Day Two was our research awareness event with a presentation from our guest speaker, Adrian Harris, from the University of Oxford. Then followed talks from Novartis Pharmaceuticals and researchers and clinicians. The day was attended by academics, clinicians, radiologists, nurses and students.

Thank you to everyone for your support, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did; the positive feedback is still flowing in. If you would like to add any feedback, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SZN7YSW>

#### HOW TO GIVE

Every penny you give goes directly to our research. If you would like to donate, please visit:

<https://alumni.nottingham.ac.uk/impact/donationform-breastcancer>

## GRANT SUCCESSES

We have had at least seven grants this year including:

- NIHR i4i Grant
- Breast Cancer Now Grant
- Tessaro Research Grant
- The National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF) of Australia
- Georgia State University Funds
- Nottingham Hospital Charity Grant
- Pathological Society Small Grants Scheme

More information can be found on our website.

Every little bit helps. 100% of every penny given goes directly to our research.

- £50 will buy flasks so we can grow cancer cells in the lab.
- £250 allows us to screen 2,000 tissue samples for a biomarker.
- £1,000 provides an initial screen of new drugs to stop cancer spread.
- £2,500 funds the consumables needed by one of our researchers to conduct experiments for 3 months

**Thank you for your support.**

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Tremendous progress is being made by our members. We have published more than 20 papers already this year. If you would like to read more about our work and take a look at some of our publications, please visit our website:

<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/research/groups/nottinghambreastcancerresearchcentre/research/publications.aspx>

## NEW WEBSITE PROVIDES INFORMATION HUB



Our new website is now live. This allows visitors to check out information and news about the Centre, tells everyone about our work and our aims and provides a platform for those wishing to contact us and help with fundraising.

## AWARENESS

You can also find information about local support groups and links to valuable resources which aim to raise awareness, highlight the importance of self examination and provide a path to get answers to your questions.

We hope you will find the site accessible and informative!

[www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/nbcrc](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/nbcrc)



## RESEARCHERS' UPDATE

Researchers' update will be a feature in future editions and will contain exciting and enlightening information from a different member each month.

## PROMOTIONS & AWARDS

Congratulations to Kwok-Leung Cheung and Anna Grabowska on their promotion to Professor and Alan McIntyre on his promotion to Associate Professor.

Professor Ian Ellis has been awarded the 1st Larry Norton Award for Excellence in Breast Pathology at the International Society of Breast Pathology/USCAP meeting in the United States.



Professor Madhusudan has been awarded the First 'Lady Estelle Wolfson Lecturership in Translational Medicine' by the Royal College of Physicians of London. This is in recognition of translational breast cancer research focussed on DNA repair that his group is undertaking in Nottingham.

Professor Emad Rakha was awarded the National Clinical Excellence Award (Bronze) in 2018.

## OTHER NEWS

Professor Stewart Martin, Dr Sarah Storr and Dr Alan McIntyre attended the University of Nottingham Supporters Reception in London in March.

Professors Ian Ellis and Emad Rakha were speakers at the National Breast Pathology Update Course in Nottingham in April. The course is organised by National Co-ordinating Committee for Breast Screening Pathology.

The Nottingham Breast Pathology Masterclass for reporting breast pathologists is a two-day course in Nottingham in July and a conjoint meeting with Bologna University in Rome, in September 2018.

<https://nottinghambreastpathologymasterclass.com>

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