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## Student and ex-student’s Achievements



**Dr Alice James**, who graduated this summer (2017) published data she collected as part of her Year 4 SSC project in the British Medical Journal Open. For her SSC, Alice examined the food and drink offerings of NHS venues, and compared these to NICE Quality Standard 94 (QS94) guidance on childhood obesity. Alice found that hospitals were inconsistent in their compliance with QS94 and with the support of colleagues based in the NIHR Bristol Biomedical Research Centre (Nutrition Theme), this paper was published in November 2017. You can view this online at <http://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/7/11/e018214>

Well done Alice!

Also, congratulations to **Dr Anna Taylor**, another Bristol graduate, who was awarded the Royal College of General Practitioners /Society of Academic Primary Care elective prize at their AGM on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November for her project entitled “*Primary care patients’ knowledge, attitudes and beliefs around the use of self-help strategies in the management of subthreshold depressive symptoms: a qualitative study*”.

## Staff achievements

It is great to be able to share news of some recent Bristol Medical School Fellowship successes with you:

**Jason Johnson** - BHF Senior Basic Science Research Fellowship

**Angus McNair** - NIHR Clinician Scientist Fellowship 'Enhancing safe and transparent rectal cancer surgery innovation'

**Gibran Hamani** - Wellcome Trust Sir Henry Dale Fellowship 'The causal map of the human phenome'

Wellcome Trust Sir Henry Wellcome Postdoctoral Fellowships:

**Gemma Hammerton** - 'An investigation of the causal pathways from childhood conduct problems to poor health outcomes and criminal behaviour in adulthood'

**Lindsey Hines** - 'Understanding the Antecedents and Outcomes of Frequent Adolescent Cannabis Use', Lindsey will be joining us from Kings College, London

Many congratulations to all the applicants and thank you to those who have supported them through mock interviews, mentoring, reviewing proposals etc. This is a really impressive groups of prestigious awards.

## Intercalation Fair



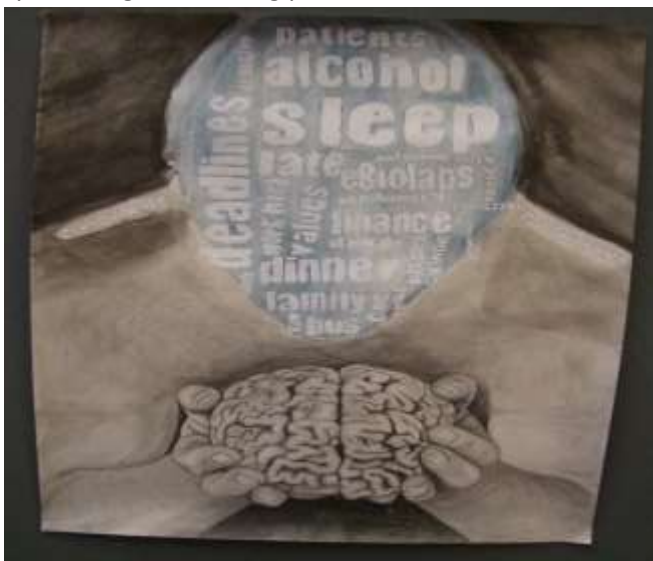
The Intercalation Fair was in the Great Hall this year and was as busy as ever. All the Bristol courses on offer to Medics, Dentists and Vets were represented

so it was a whole faculty affair. Students have until Monday 15 January 12.00 noon to apply. See here for more information: [How to apply to intercalate](#)

### Finals written exams

If you have seen anxious looking 5<sup>th</sup> Year students scurrying between the library and the coffee shop recently we hope you smiled at them and offered a hug. They were revising for finals and probably feeling the pressure of the culmination of nearly 5 years at medical school. But, the exams were completed on Wednesday so they can head off for a well-earned rest!

**Foundations of Medicine Conference** On the 28<sup>th</sup> of November the Year 1 Foundations of Medicine conference took place in the Wills Memorial Building. First year medics presented scientific posters, works of art and Pecha Kucha presentations. Many staff and students from other years popped in to see the excellent work on display. Below are some of the many thought provoking and moving pieces of art work.



Our thanks to Dr Frank de Vocht, Dr Sarah Allsop and Dr Jo Howarth for organising this conference. Ably supported by Joe McAllister.

### *“You said, we did”*

As you are aware, every year we collect feedback from you about your thoughts on each unit and the programme in general. It is hugely important to us that we respond appropriately to your feedback and that you know what changes you have influenced.

So, each year we create a document that summarises *“what you said”* and *“what we did”* about some of the feedback we received for academic year 2017/18. We hope that this document makes clear the impact your feedback has on both unit and programme delivery. Follow this link to the Medical Programme blog to see what suggestions students made: <http://bristolmedicalschoo.cfme.org.uk/> Thank you for all the feedback you have given to date and please continue to provide constructive feedback in the future so together we continue to benefit from a world class medical programme.

### Galenicals Christmas Concert

On Saturday night, at St Paul's Church on St Paul's Road, the Galenicals Choir and Orchestra showed us the practical outworking of many students having Grade 8 music on their application forms. A fairly full church was treated to an evening of seasonal carols and orchestral pieces (though the Beach Boys' "God Only Knows" and the Beatles' "All you need is love" managed to sneak in as well). A candle-lit entrance added to the excitement.



Richard O'Neal (on cello) and Ben Crawshaw (on clarinet) gave excellent solo performances. Audience participation was encouraged, and the evening finished with mince pies and mulled wine (warm).



The quality of singing and playing was high and very enjoyable – thanks and recognition to Eleanor Hennebry, Performing Arts Director, Aaron Grice, Choir Musical Director, and Hugh Dorward, Orchestra Musical Director. So few people making such a great sound. And if you wanted to hear what they sounded like, there is a YouTube clip on the blog at:

<http://bristolmedicalschoo.cfme.org.uk/2017/12/05/galenicals-christmas-concert-2/>

### RUGBY: Bristol Medics verses Cardiff



They fought bravely and this was the first time in three years that our team have got any points off Cardiff. But at the whistle the final score was 33-14 to Cardiff.



*Wishing you and your families a joyous Holiday*

Season and a most  
prosperous and healthy New  
Year.

**Finally**

Do you have something to share? Send it to  
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