



## Annual Meeting – University of Stirling, Scotland

Thursday 6th July to Saturday 8th July 2023

Spina Bifida  
Hydrocephalus  
Scotland



On behalf of the local Organising Committee, we are pleased to announce that the next SRHSB Annual Conference Meeting is to be held at the University of Stirling, Scotland. We are delighted to be able to move back to the face-to-face conference meeting format. The Conference will be held at the Stirling Court Hotel, situated within the campus of the University of Stirling, and accessible with around one hour's journey from either Glasgow or Edinburgh International Airports.

**Registration is now open!** Conference Registration fee and costs for the full conference package with accommodation (Thursday morning to Saturday lunchtime) is available through the 'Registration' link for the conference on SRHSB website. The Society Dinner includes a visit to the Burrell Collection (<https://burrellcollection.com/>).

The provisional conference program (available on SRHSB website) includes two special sessions:

- **Professor Hazel Jones**, The hydrocephalic Texas (H-Tx) rat model
- **Professor John Pickard**, Multiple roles and implications for cerebrospinal fluid

With **keynote plenary presentations** from a range of international speakers:

- **Professor Pat McAllister**, What can be learned from hydrocephalus induction failures?
- **Professor Conrad Johanson**, Choroid plexus-CSF and hydrocephalus
- **Dr Santosh Karmarkar**, Management of incontinence in spina bifida: State of the Art - A global perspective
- **Professor Abhaya Kulkarni**, Endoscopy versus shunt for infant hydrocephalus
- **Sharon Levy**, Innovation in health and wellbeing for patients with spina bifida/hydrocephalus
- **Professor Robert Carachi**, History of spina bifida and hydrocephalus from a paediatric surgery perspective

**Late Abstract submission remains open!** Abstract submission deadline is extended to **Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. We welcome abstracts in the fields of hydrocephalus, spina bifida, and neural tube defects. Please see SRHSB website for details to submit abstract.

We have also extended the application deadline for the Norman Guthkelch Award and Waite Hydrocephalus Research Bursary to **Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. See SRHSB website for details to apply.

**Norman Guthkelch Award.** Available to a student in training or an early career investigator who is conducting research in the area of hydrocephalus and neural tube defects including spina bifida.

**The Waite Hydrocephalus Research Student Bursary.** The Waite Hydrocephalus Research Student Bursary supports student research projects in the areas of hydrocephalus and/or spina bifida.

**SRHSB/Integra Graduate Traveling Fellowship Program.** Traveling fellowships for young graduate scientists, both basic and clinical, to visit international centres of research excellence in the broad field of CSF function, hydrocephalus, spina bifida and neural tube defects (deadline Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023).

In addition, we offer SRHSB Conference Prizes! The following prizes will be awarded for outstanding meeting presentations: **Best Basic Science, Best Clinical Science, and the SRHSB President's Prize.**

**Save the date! We look forward to warmly welcoming you to Scotland in 2023!**