



# The Society for Research in Rehabilitation

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## SRR Winter Meeting 2012

24 January, at the Oliver Zangwill Centre, Ely

Hosted by Dr Andrew Bateman

### Conference will include two symposia:

1. *A much requested symposium on Neuropsychology by Dr Tom Manly (Senior Scientist MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit) and Dr Fergus Gracey (Oliver Zangwill Centre/Dept Psychiatry University of Cambridge). The session will be based on outcomes from the recently completed NIHR funded RCT on rehabilitation of executive impairments*
2. *'Bridging the Type 2 gap: Service implementation research'. Examples of innovative collaborations that have led to new ways of conceptualising and communicating research findings to maximise their impact on service improvement:*  
*Dr Eivor Oborn, Judge Business School - Mechanisms of knowledge transfer enabling an understanding of barriers to knowledge implementation*  
*Dr Alex Komashie, Engineering Design Centre, Innovative healthcare applications of tools that map complex systems activity*

9 free research papers and 11 scientific and 14 work in progress posters

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Registration for SRR Member £75, Non Member £100, Postgraduate Students £55

Post graduate students – proof of status required, Registration deadline 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2012

**The Oliver Zangwill Centre is celebrating its 15th Birthday with a free Conference "The Past, Present and Future of Neurorehabilitation", on the day after the SRR meeting (25<sup>th</sup> Jan), all welcome please see: <http://www.ozc.nhs.uk/default.asp?id=175>**



The NHS North West Research and Development team supported by the North West Health Brussels Office (NWHBO) have developed a bespoke online tool *EU Health Researcher* that will support North West health researchers develop project ideas and collaborate on European health research funding.

EU Health Researcher will be continuously updated with new information. The online tool allows users to find other experts in their field to collaborate on a proposal. There are a range of bespoke guides developed to support the EU funding process in the "Resources" section. The website also has a "Project ideas board" to develop project concepts, and a "Discussion" area for users to debate ideas and issues

You can register on the EU Health Researcher website here: <http://euhealthresearcher.eu>

## CONSULTATION ON NICE GUIDELINES FOR STROKE REHABILITATION

As many of you will know NICE guidelines for stroke rehabilitation have been under development for some time.

Over the Summer a consultation exercise was undertaken to enable stakeholders to comment on the draft guidance.

A detailed response was submitted on SRR's behalf by members of council with additional comments from members with specific expertise, where needed.

We look forward to hearing of the response to the consultation in due course

**Did you know if you are presenting your work at the Stroke Forum, you are still able to present it at SRR? You could have your SRR abstract published in Clinical Rehabilitation.**

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO Avril Drummond**

Avril's work in rehabilitation research has been recognised by Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, University of Nottingham. From 1<sup>st</sup> December Avril will be Professor of Healthcare Research. Avril is an Occupational Therapist and long term member and supporter of SRR.

**Well deserved Avril**

### **Did you visit us at this year's stroke forum?**

The winner of the SRR Cognitive Challenge was - Frank Foreman from the National Stroke Nursing Forum Runners up were: Joanna Wilkie - Ayresshire and Arran PCT & Sam Waton - Royal College of Physicians. Well done to you all.

Many SRR members had presentations or posters at the conference and Louise Connell, Caroline Watkins and Nigel Harris chaired sessions.

### ***Advance notice***

The SRR Summer meeting will be hosted by David Punt in Leeds on 4 & 5 July 2012, the programme symposia will be:

#### **From Sports Science to Rehabilitation: Experimental and Clinical Studies in Imagery**

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*Rehabilitation research is an interdisciplinary field of study. This symposium will feature presentations from speakers based in the disciplines of sports science and neuropsychology who have built on knowledge from these areas and applied them to challenges in rehabilitation. Taking the use of 'imagery' as its focus, the symposium will explore experimental and clinical studies from recent and on-going studies.*

#### **Speakers**

**Dr Paul Holmes, Institute for Performance Research, Manchester Metropolitan University**

**Dr Magdalena Ietswaart, School of Psychology and Sport Sciences, Northumbria University**

#### **Getting Lost in Translation**

*Symposium exploring aspects of translational research from the clinician's and researcher's perspective*

#### **Speakers**

**Dr Richard Greenwood, Acute Brain Injury Unit, National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery**

**Prof Jane Burridge, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Southampton**

#### **On the Road: Exploring issues relating to Driving and Disability**

*Returning to driving after injury or illness has been found to improve physical and mental health, along with enhancing quality of life. This symposium will explore some of the challenges that face patients and clinicians, and will also consider current technology and how this can enable driving in individuals with disabilities.*

#### **Speakers**

**Dr Hannes Devos, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven**

**Dr Andrew Paton & David Bridge, Ford Motor Company Limited**

Keep an eye on the SRR website for further details [www.srr.org.uk](http://www.srr.org.uk)

### **Would you like to join the SRR Council in 2012?**

There are new places on Council every year. We like to keep the council well balanced between rehabilitation professions.

We welcome any keen people with new ideas to keep our Society vibrant. To apply you must have presented a paper or poster at an SRR meeting.

If you are interested please contact the SRR secretary [ailie.turton@uwe.ac.uk](mailto:ailie.turton@uwe.ac.uk) for further information.

We have research jobs, studentships, courses and notices for conferences on our website, Conference notices include the 9th World Congress on Brain Injury being held in Edinburgh on March 21-25 2012 and meeting of the International Functional Electrical Stimulation Society in 27-29 April 2012

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