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Welcome

Hello and welcome to the inaugural edition of The Christie International Education Newsletter encompassing both our Fellowship and Observership Programmes and our international education partnerships. This marks an exciting new chapter following the formation of the new International Education team, which sits within The Christie Institute for Cancer Education (formerly The School of Oncology).



This issue celebrates the achievements and contributions of our fellows, alumni, and observers across the Trust with highlights from a range of specialties. We have a growing portfolio of international partnerships including fellowships with the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HeSMO), and exchange observerships with the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Melbourne. We look forward to the arrival of these new colleagues and visitors which continues our commitment to global learning and professional development.

In 2025, we hosted successful academic receptions at ESTRO in Vienna and ESMO in Berlin, bringing together colleagues from around the world. We also launched our Annual Fellows Showcase, sponsored by the Manchester Cancer Research Centre. This event welcomed fellows, alumni and staff across The Christie to share their work through engaging presentations and flash talks. It was a great success, and we look forward to more of these events in the future.

In this issue we feature a spotlight on our SABR Fellowship, interviews with Mr Aziz Gulamhusein, one of our

surgery fellowship supervisors, and Amanda Rees, who has successfully aided placements for numerous observers visiting The Christie's Experimental Cancer Medicine Team (ECMT). We are very grateful to those who have contributed to this edition and would like to hear from others to showcase the great work taking place across the Trust. To contribute your stories, updates, and suggestions please contact us at: the-christie.fellowships@nhs.net

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Jonathan Lim and Dr Jamie Weaver to The Christie Fellowship Board as our new Specialty Leads for Medical Oncology fellows.

Dr Jonathan Lim is a clinical senior lecturer and honorary consultant medical oncologist in advanced immunotherapy and cell therapy for solid cancers at The University of Manchester and The Christie NHS Foundation Trust. He is passionate about translational research and in

developing novel advanced therapies, especially in the settings of early-phase clinical trials and first-in-human studies.

Dr Jamie Weaver is an early career researcher interested in cancer cachexia, tumour evolution and immunotherapy toxicity, and is a consultant in Upper GI and Acute Oncology. He leads The Christie Pan-tumour research team and has established The Christie rapid research donation programme.

We are excited to have Dr Lim and Dr Weaver bring their expertise and leadership to the Fellowship Programme. Please join us in welcoming them to their new roles!

If you are reading this as a potential candidate or visitor considering The Christie for your next career step, we hope this newsletter offers some insight into the experience of a fellow or observer. We encourage you to contact us to discuss future opportunities!

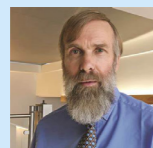
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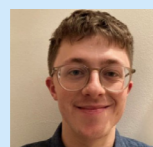
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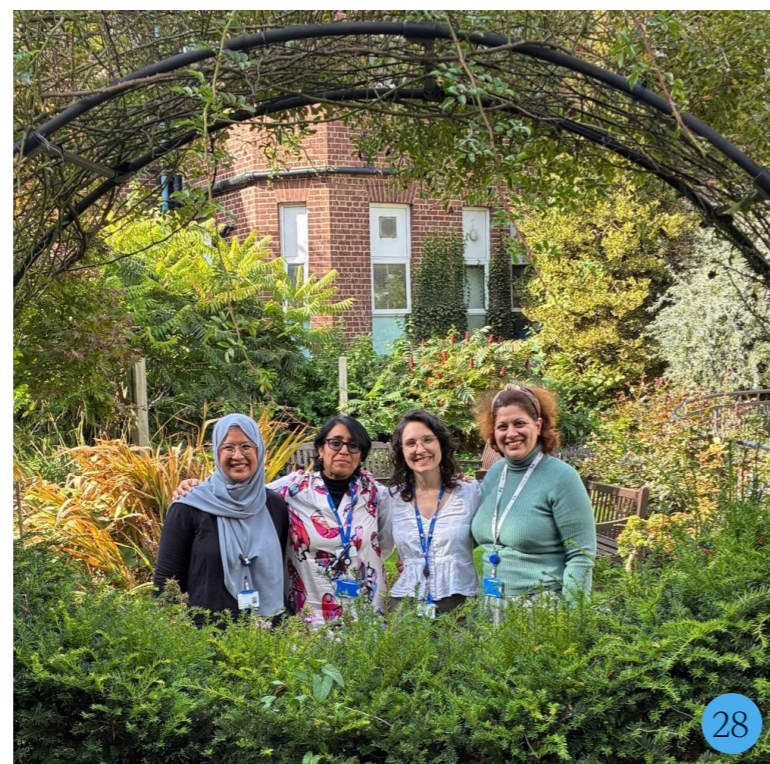


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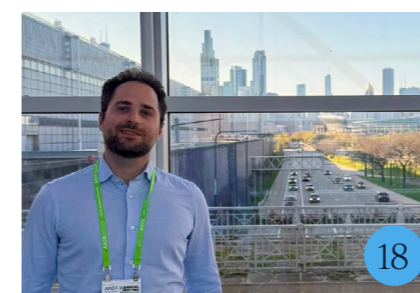
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Fellowships Data

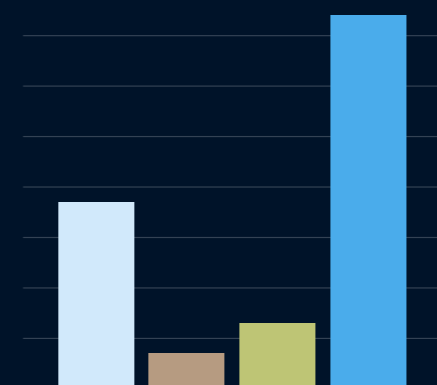
Current Fellowships by specialty (Oct 2025):



■ Clinical Oncology ■ Endocrinology □ Haematology
 ■ Histopathology □ Medical Education ■ Medical Oncology
 ■ Proton ■ Radiology ■ Supportive Oncology ■ Surgery
 Total: 117

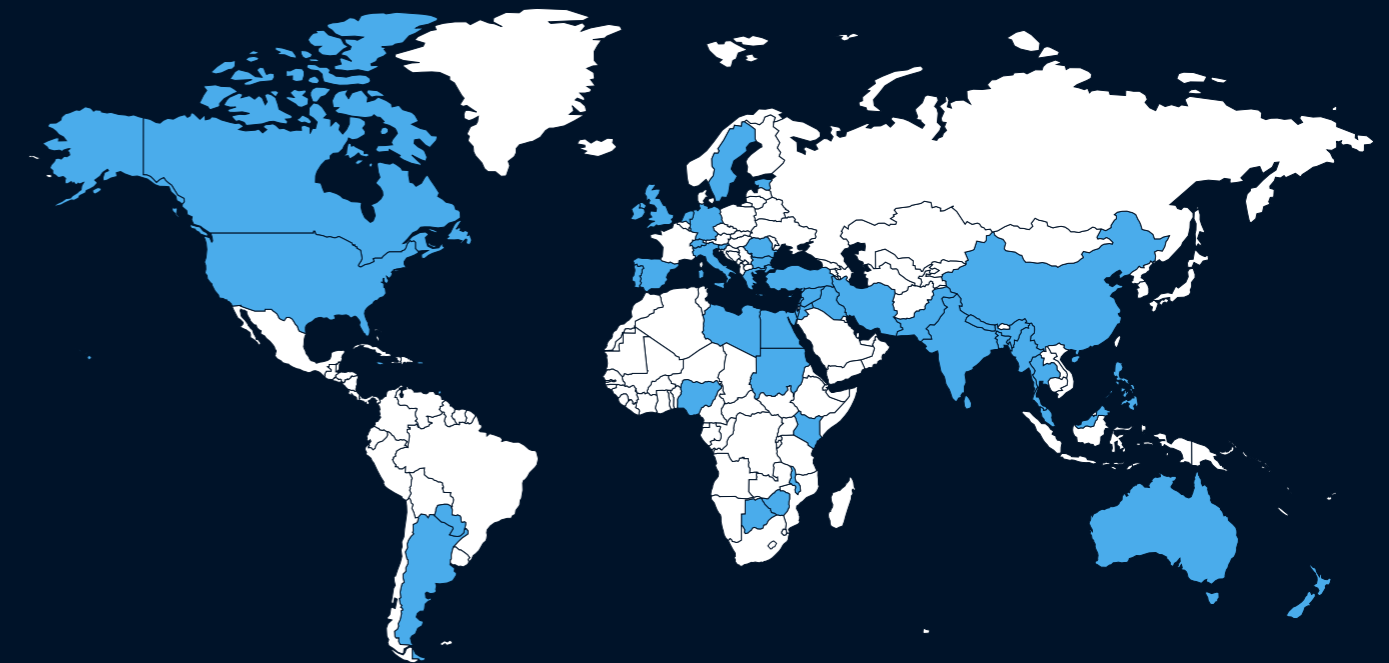
Fellowship publication data (2024-2025):

Number published with named Christie Fellows as authors (2024-25)



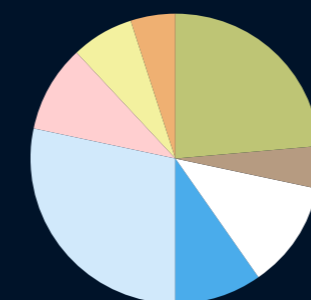
■ Journal articles: 37
 ■ Editorials & letters: 7
 ■ Reviews: 13
 ■ Meeting abstracts submitted to conferences: 74 (35 of which were accepted by the conference)

Fellowship countries of origin (since 2016):



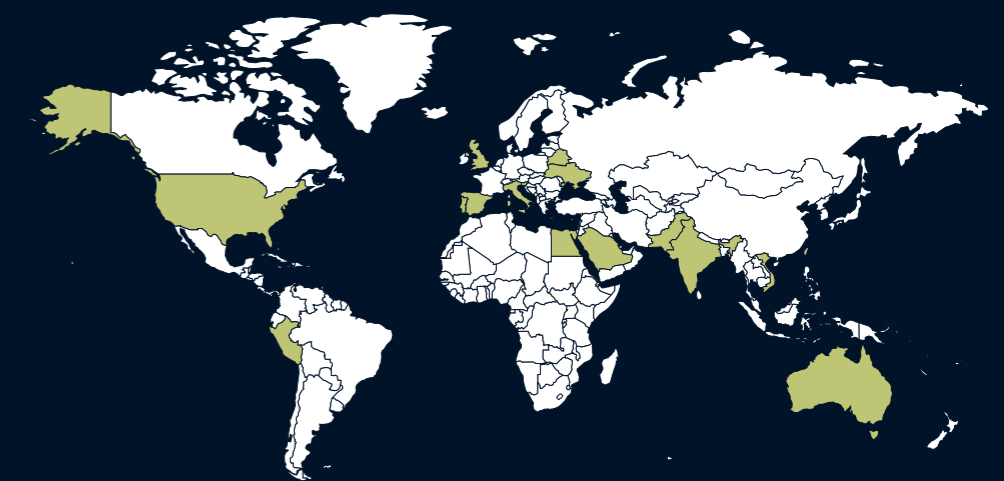
Observerships Data

Observerships by specialty (Oct 2025):



■ Clinical Oncology: 10
 ■ Endocrinology: 2
 ■ Dietetics: 5
 ■ Surgery: 4
 ■ Medical Oncology: 12
 ■ Proton Beam Therapy: 4
 ■ Supportive Oncology: 3
 ■ Radiotherapy: 2

Observership countries of origin (since 2024):





Fellow Profile

Dr Tang Zhi Yong
Honorary Clinical Fellow in Clinical Oncology

What is your fellowship specialism and where were you based before joining The Christie?

My fellowship specialty is Clinical Oncology. I was based in Malaysia, at the National Cancer Institute before joining The Christie.

What attracted you to The Christie?

The Christie being an international centre of excellence for radiotherapy was definitely the biggest attraction. Also, hearing about previous experiences from other Malaysian fellows made The Christie my first choice.

What have you enjoyed the most about your fellowship so far?

Looking at the way The Christie has evolved to treat patients safely, effectively and efficiently as an

oncological centre is definitely the most interesting and enjoyable part of this fellowship. The hospital that I practice in Malaysia is also set up with the same intents and purposes. It's great to see and think about where we are and what we could aim for.

What has been your biggest achievement since the start of your fellowship?

Definitely passing my FRCR 2A and 2B examinations in April 2025. The main objective of my 2-year fellowship here was to obtain this. Getting through this examination was also the cumulative result of all the work I had put in prior to and whilst I was at The Christie. Functionally, this examination allows me to transition from working at a registrar level to being in a consultant job when I return to my home country in Malaysia.

What advice would you give to other fellows to make the most of their time at The Christie?

I think most fellows are not local, so integrating into a new medical system, new weather, and a new country is challenging. If they've come with family, then that's another level of challenges they need to adjust to. I will say that these are things that, if you hang in there, you get used to. Staff at The Christie are friendly and helpful, whether that is consultants, nurses, fellows, or allied health professionals. There is always something to learn from someone so it is important to be open about problems or challenges you are facing so that, even if you do not get an immediate answer, someone can point you in the right direction to it. ○

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Fellow Profile

Dr Madalina Drumea
Senior Clinical Fellow in Cross-Sectional / PET-CT Cancer Imaging

What is your fellowship specialism and where were you based before joining The Christie?

My fellowship specialism is oncological imaging, with a particular focus on PET-CT imaging. Prior to joining The Christie, I completed my clinical radiology training in the South-West of England. I originally graduated medical school in Bucharest, Romania, and moved to the UK to pursue my postgraduate medical career.

What attracted you to The Christie?

I was drawn to the opportunity to develop my oncological cross-sectional skills within Europe's largest single-site comprehensive cancer centre, particularly with the high level of PET-CT expertise available. During my senior years of training, I developed a strong interest in oncology and PET-CT, and in my last year of training I spent 3 months doing an out of programme training period here. I had such a great experience within the department and the wider team that joining

The Christie long-term felt like a natural next step for me. The centre's long history of cancer treatment, its leadership in research and innovation, and its commitment to patient care were all highly appealing. I was also attracted to the close collaboration between research and clinical teams, allowing me to be at the forefront of advances in oncology imaging.

What have you enjoyed the most about your fellowship so far?

The fellowship has significantly expanded my knowledge of oncology imaging. I've enjoyed working alongside and learning from my colleagues in such a supportive and collaborative environment. The state-of-the-art facilities, in-house lectures, teaching programme, and departmental events have all added to an overall fantastic experience.

What has been your biggest achievement since the start of your fellowship?

Securing my substantive radiology consultant post here at The Christie has been a proud milestone this year.

I'm excited to continue my career in the same institution where I've grown so much professionally in the last year, and I look forward to both learning from and teaching my colleagues in the many years ahead. I think the Fellowship Programme is a fantastic opportunity to gain skills and expertise to ease the transition to a consultant job either at The Christie or elsewhere.

What advice would you give to other fellows to make the most of their time at The Christie?

My advice would be to set SMART goals from the outset to focus your learning during the fellowship, as the year goes by very fast. Seek out a mentor who can guide you through your time here and help prepare you for your next role. Also take the time to explore the department fully; there are many ongoing research projects and learning opportunities to get involved with. The Paterson building is a great place to network and chat with the wider MDT colleagues who you probably would not normally interact with day-to-day. ○

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Observer Profile

Denys Romero-Romero
Medical Oncology Resident

What was your observership specialism and where were you based before visiting The Christie?

My observership was with the ECMT and Lung Cancer Team. Before the observership, I was completing my residency training in Medical Oncology at Hospital 12 de Octubre in Madrid. This observership was part of my training, and my goal was to learn more about clinical trials and clinical practice in another country, in order to broaden my understanding of international oncology and how practices differ between countries.

What attracted you to The Christie?

It is almost impossible not to know about the reputation of The Christie as a medical oncologist. During my training, I had the privilege of meeting

oncologists who had worked there, and their inspiring lectures motivated me to experience The Christie in person. In particular, I was impressed by Prof Fiona Thistlethwaite, whose lecture at ESMO left a lasting impression; Dr Rafaelle Califano, who coordinates the Lung Cancer Preceptorship at The Christie; and Dr Angela Lamarca, a medical oncologist in Madrid who was previously a consultant at The Christie. Their dedication and perspectives were highly influential in my decision to apply for this observership.

What did you enjoy most about your observership?

Being in a different country gives you the chance to rediscover everything from the beginning. If I had to choose one highlight, it would be the opportunity to discuss clinical cases with the team and to learn from their different perspectives.

What has been your biggest achievement since your observership placement?

I completed my residency training in September, which I consider a major step in both my life and my career.

What advice would you give to future observers to make the most of their time at The Christie?

Each experience is unique, but I would strongly recommend not being shy. Take every opportunity to talk with the team about your interests and goals. Engaging in conversations is the best way to learn, to become part of the team, and to build meaningful friendships during your time at The Christie. ○

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Fellowship Spotlight: The Christie SABR Fellowship

The Christie's Stereotactic Ablative Body Radiotherapy (SABR) Fellowships offer advanced specialist training in SABR, supporting oncologists to develop their expertise in this highly precise treatment modality. The programme offers hands-on exposure to planning and delivering SABR across a range of tumour sites, with close supervision from experienced consultants and physicists.

What is SABR?

SABR is a type of highly-focused external radiotherapy treatment which gives an intense dose of radiotherapy to a tumour while limiting the dose to surrounding organs.

Dr Mohamed Khalid Abutaleb and Dr Andrew Brocklehurst are alumni of the SABR Fellowship Programme and are both now in consultant roles at the Trust. We heard from them about their past experiences on the fellowship and its impact on their career development:

What was your background before starting to work at The Christie?

Andrew:

I was already working at The Christie as a trainee registrar, so I went into the fellowship just after finishing my Part 2 exams looking for some technical radiotherapy experience.

Khalid:

I'm an international medical graduate (IMG), so I initially trained in Egypt, and did a radiation oncology residency there before gaining a masters degree in oncology. I then moved to the Middle East for another oncology job and completed my MRCP while I was there before eventually coming to the UK to work as a resident doctor. I worked in Preston for a year before coming to The Christie.

The aims of the SABR Fellowship are:

- To help fellows gain practical skills in image-guided radiotherapy (IGRT), motion management, contouring, dose constraints, and decision-making in complex cases
- To help fellows gain a strong understanding of the evidence base underpinning SABR, alongside having opportunities to contribute to clinical trials and protocol development
- To provide experience treating on our MR-Linac machine including intra-fractional adoptive radiotherapy
- To produce confident, independent practitioners who can safely lead and develop advanced radiotherapy services in their future consultant roles (through service development, research and leadership opportunities)
- To give fellows the opportunity to practice in a world-renowned cancer centre, offering invaluable learning and life-long networking opportunities



When did you undertake this fellowship and why did you want to apply for it?

Andrew:

I did my fellowship from December 2022 to December 2023, in my final 2 years of clinical oncology training. I felt training had given me a broad base of knowledge, but I wanted to push myself to develop the expert level skills expected of a consultant. I knew that focusing in on technical radiotherapy would give me transferrable skills I could apply to any disease site. I had seen colleagues experience the fellowship before me and have opportunities to grow and develop and take prominent roles in a broad range of activities including research, education and service development.

Khalid:

I did my fellowship between August 2021 and August 2022. I'd always wanted to do something related to radiotherapy and I also knew that radiotherapy is a really transferrable skill, for example, if you learn how to

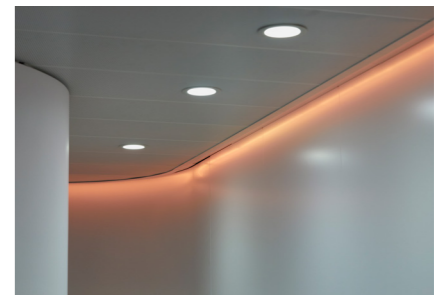
do SABR, you can do Proton.

I had also worked with Dr Ganesh Radhakrishna and Dr David Woolf before, who are the main supervisors on the SABR team. I was familiar with their leadership styles and how supportive they were, so knew that they would support me with not only my radiotherapy skills but also my leadership development, research and education.

Describe your day-to-day activity while undertaking the fellowship.

Andrew:

In terms of clinical commitments, I took a prominent role in delivering treatment through the MRL (MR-Linac). This ranged from working in the new patient clinic, planning radiotherapy, leading peer review meetings and delivering online adaptive radiotherapy. In addition, I helped to deliver SABR to established sites such as HCC and lymph nodes but also introduced new indications such as primary Renal SABR. →



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Dr Andrew Brocklehurst



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Dr Mohamed Khalid Abutaleb

Working in these areas gave me many opportunities to lead new initiatives such as radiographer led adaptive online contouring, and produce publications on our early experience with this cutting-edge treatment. There were many opportunities to involve myself in clinical trials, publish our work and develop the service. These experiences allowed me to develop well rounded skills in service development which were a real advantage at consultant interview. The fellowship can also be flexible, and I was able to introduce a new regular SpR technical radiotherapy teaching programme to try and improve satisfaction for all SpRs. Throughout I was supported to work very independently with close mentoring.

Khalid:

My experience was very similar. Each week, I used to do three highly technical MDTs across various sites, as well as one clinic with good stable-only patients. I also did a lot of trial management research projects, for example setting up surface or auditing surface meetings. This was a vastly different experience compared to what I had during my training, as suddenly I got in-depth insight into how the radiotherapy department

functions, for example, looking at the dynamics between different teams both within and outside the department.

Andrew:

We also got to do a fair bit of trial related work, like weekly trial meetings and trying to develop new trial protocols to bring in. I think everyone who's been through this fellowship has helped to introduce a new treatment. There's always technical development happening!

Khalid:

It's also worth noting that our time on the fellowship was completely protected; we had the choice to do work with other teams if we wanted, but there was no obligation to cover shortages in other clinical teams. Your time on the fellowship can be completely dedicated to fellowship activity.

What were the main highlights of the fellowship?

Andrew:

I really enjoyed delivering a technical radiotherapy from the clinical side of things, but I also had the opportunity to develop a couple of new treatment

areas and grow those up from something new to something that we did in high volume. We were both lucky enough to get the RCR Wormald poster prize for posters we presented of data during the fellowship, and it's very nice to be recognised when you're presenting your department's work at conferences. It's such a nice team to work with and I had really good relationships with all the planning staff, radiographers and researchers, and developed a good appreciation for what they do too.

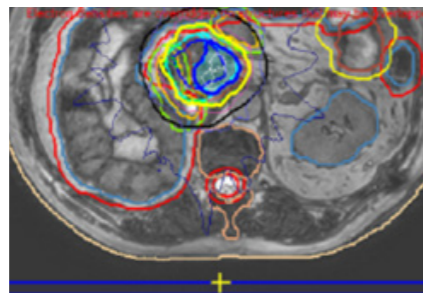
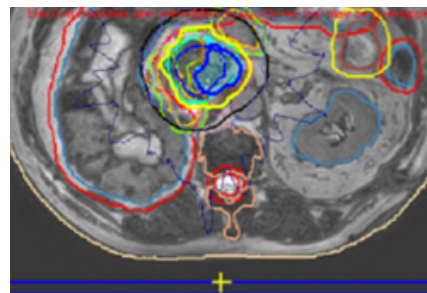
Khalid:

I would echo what Andy has said, and would add that from an IMG perspective, a highlight for me was that the fellowship helped build my personality and trust in myself. When you come to a new country, you question yourself a lot as you'll do things and speak differently. The Christie is a fantastic place to be when you're in this situation, as the people here have the expertise to support IMGs in a non-judgemental way. This was definitely the main highlight for me, as well as the things Andy has already mentioned.

How did the fellowship contribute to your onward career and what are you doing now?

Andrew:

I'm roughly six weeks into a consultant post in lymphoma and breast radiotherapy at The Christie, and there will be opportunity for me to implement SABR within this role.



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My main achievement of this fellowship has been in advancing my technical expertise in radiotherapy.

Dr Zainul Kapacee



All the skills I developed during the fellowship have really helped me get to this point, and I distinctly remember referencing a lot of what I did during my fellowship in my application for this post. It also helped me to feel much more confident going into the interview as I'd done and seen a lot already.

Khalid:

I am also in a consultant post at The Christie and similar to Andy's role, I only do radiotherapy now. It's a really technical job and the fellowship helped me to be more confident in the skills I need for the role, as well as putting me in a position to cope better with a consultant job plan. It was also great to work with the same radiotherapy team at The Christie as a fellow and as a consultant; colleagues like Dr David Woolf and Dr Ganesh Radhakrishna were fantastic mentors during my fellowship who I still refer to for opinions now.

Two of our current SABR Fellows, Dr Zainul Kapacee and Dr Marianna Theodoulou, also spoke to us about their experience on the SABR Fellowship:

Where were you based before joining The Christie?

Zain:

Before joining The Christie, I was a Specialty Registrar in Clinical Oncology at the Leeds Cancer Centre, within the West Yorkshire

training programme. I completed my FRCR qualification in October 2023 and was an ST7 Clinical Oncology trainee prior to taking up my post at The Christie. In addition, since January 2025, I have been one of two national Radiotherapy Fellows for NHS England.

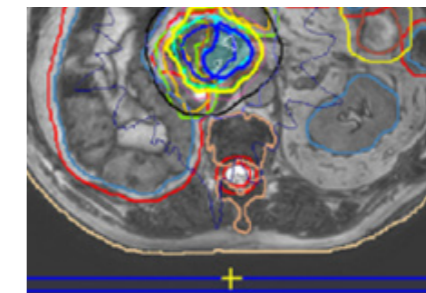
Marianna:

Prior to commencing my fellowship, I was already based at The Christie as a Specialty Registrar in Clinical Oncology, training within the North-West training programme. I successfully completed my FRCR qualification in November 2024 and progressed to ST7 shortly before starting the fellowship.

What attracted you to The Christie?

Zain:

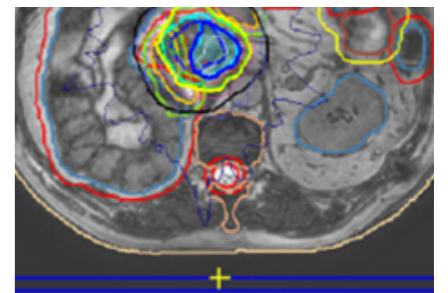
I was drawn to The Christie for several reasons. Firstly, I wanted to further develop my technical radiotherapy skills and gain experience in a different cancer centre before completing training. Prior to commencing clinical oncology training in West Yorkshire, I had worked as a fellow with the HPB Medical Oncology team at



The Christie and thoroughly enjoyed that experience. This motivated me to return in a more senior role, with the aim of honing and refining the skills I have developed as a specialty registrar in preparation for the completion of my training and progression to consultancy. Additionally, The Christie is a leading tertiary centre at the forefront of advancing radiotherapy techniques, particularly in stereotactic ablative radiotherapy, MR-guided adaptive radiotherapy, and proton therapy. I have greatly valued the opportunity to gain hands-on experience with these innovative radiotherapy modalities.

Marianna:

I was always interested in undertaking a fellowship after completing my FRCR exams, and I knew early on that I wanted to stay at The Christie for both personal and professional reasons. With a young family, remaining in the region was important to me, but equally, I wanted to continue working in an environment I valued and was familiar with. A few of my colleagues have previously completed the SABR Fellowship, and I've seen first-hand the invaluable experience and →





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Dr Marianna Theodoulou

advanced skills they gained - skills that have undoubtedly supported their transition into consultant roles. As Zain rightly said, The Christie is a leading tertiary centre at the forefront of radiotherapy innovation, and being part of it was something I was eager to experience and contribute to.

What have you enjoyed the most about the fellowship so far?

Zain:

I have enjoyed developing friendly and professional relationships with a wide range of colleagues, including consultants, registrars and fellows, as well as the wider allied healthcare team such as radiographers, physicists, radiotherapy planning staff, and cancer specialist nurses.



The Christie fosters a warm and welcoming environment, and it has been a genuine pleasure to work alongside such dedicated colleagues who are all committed to achieving the best outcomes for their patients. I have also valued the strong culture of innovation and research, with the opportunity to review patient outcomes and thereby better understand the clinical impact of ongoing research and service evaluation projects. There is a clear and shared ethos of continuous improvement, which I have found both motivating and inspiring to be part of.

Marianna:

One of the most rewarding aspects of the SABR Fellowship so far has been the opportunity to dedicate focused time to radiotherapy planning, allowing me to refine and develop my technical skills in a structured and supportive environment. I have particularly appreciated the flexibility to pursue projects aligned with my own clinical interests, which has made the experience both engaging and personally meaningful. Equally important has been the collaborative environment within the SABR team. I've had the pleasure

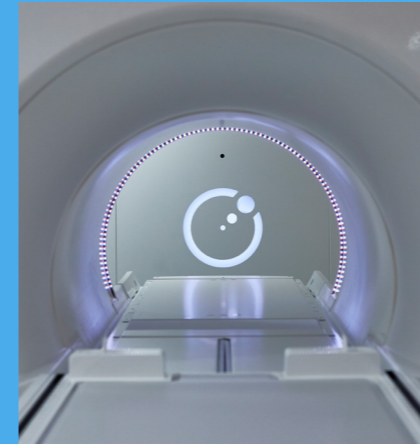


of working alongside highly skilled and supportive colleagues, and the professional relationships I've built have greatly enriched my learning. The team has been incredibly encouraging, and their guidance has played a significant role in enhancing both my confidence and competence in advanced radiotherapy planning techniques.

What has been your biggest achievement since the start of your fellowship?

Zain:

My main achievement of this fellowship has been in advancing my technical expertise in radiotherapy, particularly in the outlining of complex cases and the review and approval of radiotherapy plans. Working closely with radiographers and the radiotherapy planning teams has strengthened my skills in collaboration and communication, both of which are essential for delivering highly advanced and technically challenging treatments safely and effectively. I am also proud of how I have adapted to a new working environment. Transitioning into a new team and forging strong working relationships with talented and committed colleagues has been both a challenge and a privilege. This experience has reinforced for me the importance of adaptability, collaboration, and continuous learning as I prepare for the next stage of my career.



Marianna:

One of my key achievements since beginning the fellowship has been the marked improvement in my radiotherapy planning skills, particularly through exposure to complex and technically challenging cases. This experience has significantly deepened my anatomical understanding within the context of advanced radiotherapy techniques. In addition, the opportunity to review and approve radiotherapy plans has helped to further develop my clinical judgement, which is an essential aspect of preparing for the responsibilities and decision-making required at the consultant level.

Why would you recommend the SABR Fellowship?

Zain:

I would wholeheartedly recommend a SABR Fellowship to my clinical oncology trainee colleagues. For me, working in a second centre has been incredibly rewarding, but beyond that, the fellowship has provided so much more, from developing technical radiotherapy skills, to getting involved in leadership, management, and a variety of projects, including the development and review of clinical protocols. What I've valued most is having the time and space to really focus on the areas of radiotherapy that interest me. I've gained many transferable skills that will be invaluable in my future role as a consultant.



Marianna:

I would highly recommend the SABR Fellowship to anyone looking to deepen their expertise in a focused area of clinical oncology. The fellowship offers a unique opportunity to concentrate on SABR, allowing for substantial skill development in advanced radiotherapy techniques. One of its key strengths is the flexibility it provides to pursue a variety of academic and clinical projects, tailored to your individual interests. This balance of specialised clinical training and project-based work makes the experience both enriching and highly rewarding. It's an excellent platform for professional growth within a rapidly evolving field.

What advice would you give to other fellows to make the most of their time at The Christie?

Zain:

In my opinion, the fellowship is most beneficial when undertaken after completing the FRCR examinations, as this allows you to fully maximise the opportunities it offers.

With the benefit of hindsight, I would also advise future fellows to prioritise the key areas they want to focus on from the outset. There is an abundance of projects and opportunities available, and being able to balance these alongside increasing clinical responsibilities requires a selective and strategic approach to ensure you gain the most from the experience without becoming overstretched.

Marianna:

I would echo Zain's advice; undertaking a fellowship after completing the FRCR exams is ideal, as it allows you to fully focus on the wide range of opportunities the fellowship provides without the added pressure of exam preparation. To make the most of your time at The Christie, I'd encourage future fellows to immerse themselves in the experience: get to know the team, build relationships with your peers, and don't hesitate to ask questions. The learning environment is incredibly supportive, and engaging actively with the team will enhance both your professional development and overall experience. ○

International Fellow Activity

AACR Experience

Dr Federico Monaca, Clinical Research Fellow in Medical Oncology attended the annual American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Congress, held in Chicago in April 2025. Federico shared his experience at AACR with us:

This was my first time attending AACR. As someone who works on a drug discovery project, the New Drugs on the Horizon sessions were so insightful – giving me the opportunity to hear about developing new and exciting treatments in various cancers. Also, I am currently developing funding applications, and the grant writing workshop highlighted several schemes available and hints and tips for applications.

Attending the congress was an incredible experience. It was a very large event, which made it quite challenging to navigate, but definitely worth it. I particularly enjoyed a presentation by Dr. Xiuning Le on the



outcomes of highly CNS-penetrant TKIs, which could potentially improve prognosis for patients with leptomeningeal disease. Another fascinating talk focused on the use of topical BRAF inhibitors to manage acneiform rash caused by anti-EGFR therapies. This could be very relevant in the future, especially as new anti-EGFR agents are being tested in lung cancer and may soon enter clinical practice, where severe skin toxicities remain a concern. Lastly, I was really impressed by Manchester's Professor Caroline Dive and her session. She gave an outstanding overview of the

ongoing translational and preclinical projects for small cell lung cancer patients being conducted here at The Christie and CRUK National Biomarker Centre. It was truly inspiring.

Finally, the social networking event organized by Rachel Chown in collaboration with Toronto's Princess Margaret Cancer Centre was a great opportunity to connect with colleagues and learn more about translational projects being carried out across the globe.

STARS21 Programme

Dr Love Goyal, Clinical Fellow in Proton Beam Therapy visited the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Toronto as part of the STARS21 Programme.

I joined The Christie NHS Foundation Trust in January 2023 as a Clinical Fellow in Proton Beam Therapy. After completing a year of fellowship, I was fortunate to secure a PhD position at The University of Manchester and The Christie. My research focuses on evaluating cardiac and bowel toxicities in paediatric cancer patients treated with proton beam therapy, with a strong interest in survivorship and late effects. Prior to this, I trained at Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata, where my early exposure to academic research laid the foundation for my current path. Over the past year, I've actively contributed to several research projects and presented at major national and international conferences, including EANO, ESTRO, ICHNO, PTCOG, and BSBS.

In Autumn 2024, I was selected as one of the UK participants for the STARS21 Programme (Strategic Training in Transdisciplinary Radiation Science for the 21st Century),

an international initiative led by Princess Margaret Cancer Centre and The University of Toronto. This prestigious programme brings together young oncologists, physicists, and biologists from around the world to foster interdisciplinary learning and leadership in radiation oncology. Through a series of online seminars covering topics such as translational radiation research, radiotheranostics, global cancer control, and multidisciplinary radiation medicine, the programme gave us a chance to learn from each other across disciplines and connect with colleagues from around the world.

As part of the programme, I had the opportunity to travel to Toronto in May 2025 for the STARS21 Academic Week, where I took part in the PMH Faculty Meet and Greet, visited key clinical and research facilities, and participated in the Research Day. I presented my PhD work titled "Evaluating Cardiac Substructure

Exposure and Auto-Contouring Feasibility in Paediatric Patients Treated with Proton Beam Therapy," which generated valuable feedback and potential discussions. The trip was fully funded by the Manchester team, and I am extremely grateful for their support.

This experience not only broadened my international academic network but also gave me insights into how leading cancer centres integrate research with clinical care. It has further reinforced my commitment to translational research in paediatric radiation oncology and will shape the way I approach both clinical practice and research collaborations going forward.

I would like to sincerely thank The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, Manchester Cancer Research Centre, and the teams at Princess Margaret Cancer Centre and UTDRO for making this opportunity possible. I am especially grateful to my supervisors Prof Ed Smith and Prof Marianne Aznar for their continued mentorship and support and to Dr Shermaine Pan, my supervisor during my Clinical Fellowship in Proton Beam Therapy, for her continued guidance and encouragement.



MCCR 2025

Dr Ana Sofia Parreira, Clinical Research Fellow in Medical Oncology attended the Methods in Clinical Cancer Research (MCCR) 2025 Workshop in the Netherlands.

I am Ana Sofia Parreira, and I am originally from Portugal, but I've studied medicine and completed my medical oncology training in Spain. I have a special interest in lung cancer and wanted to grow professionally by learning from a different health care system and by being more involved in research. To achieve that goal, I moved to Manchester in May 2024 to enrol in my current post as a Clinical Research Fellow at The Christie. My main role is to recruit and follow-up patients for the observational trial TRACERx EVO, which aims to track cancer evolution through therapy. I also cover trial and follow-up clinics within the lung team, recruit for interventional phase II and III trials, and take part in clinical and translational research projects on KRAS-mutant lung cancer under Dr Colin Lindsay's research team.

As a result of clinical and pre-clinical research work done by Dr Lindsay's team (specially Dr Helen Adderley and Will McDaid), we've been able to generate hypotheses for potential clinical trial ideas. To further develop this, Dr Colin Lindsay and Prof Fiona Blackhall gave me the opportunity to apply for the MCCR workshop, a renowned, competitive and intense one-week workshop on clinical trial protocol development organised by the European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC), European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO) and American Association for Cancer Research (AACR). I was privileged to be amongst the 80 early-career investigators selected for the 2025 workshop along with other Christie colleagues.

During the workshop, we had the opportunity to attend lectures on



Dr Ana Sofia Parreira

various practical trial aspects and challenges and to meet, daily, in small groups, to discuss both with faculty and peers how to improve and develop our clinical trial protocol idea. Each small group was composed of four faculty members: a statistician, a medical oncologist, a clinical oncologist and a pathologist/ molecular biology expert; and 8 early-career investigators. The faculty members of my group, Prof Rafal Dziadziuszko, Dr Jessica Menis, Dr Kurt Schalper and Prof Sarah Brown (our brilliant statistician) were patient, kind and gave great insights on how to improve my trial protocol idea. I couldn't be more grateful for all their invaluable time and shared experience. It was also a pleasure to get to know and build relationships

with other like-minded early-career investigators from other centres. Despite the stress of multiple changes building onto your original trial idea, and the time pressure of getting a whole trial protocol written in one very tightly scheduled week, it was a wonderfully enriching experience, and I couldn't be happier with the outcome. This workshop has not only provided me with extensive practical knowledge on how to get a clinical trial up and running but also has allowed me to connect with amazing peers. This experience has made more eager to be involved in research and to, hopefully, take a leading role in clinical trial development in the future. I highly recommend everyone interested in research to apply.

ASCO 2025

Dr Tommaso Bosetti, Clinical Research Fellow in Medical Oncology attended the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) 2025 Congress in Chicago.

I joined the Melanoma Team at The Christie as a Clinical Research Fellow in November 2023. Day to day, I divide my time between looking after patients and developing research projects.

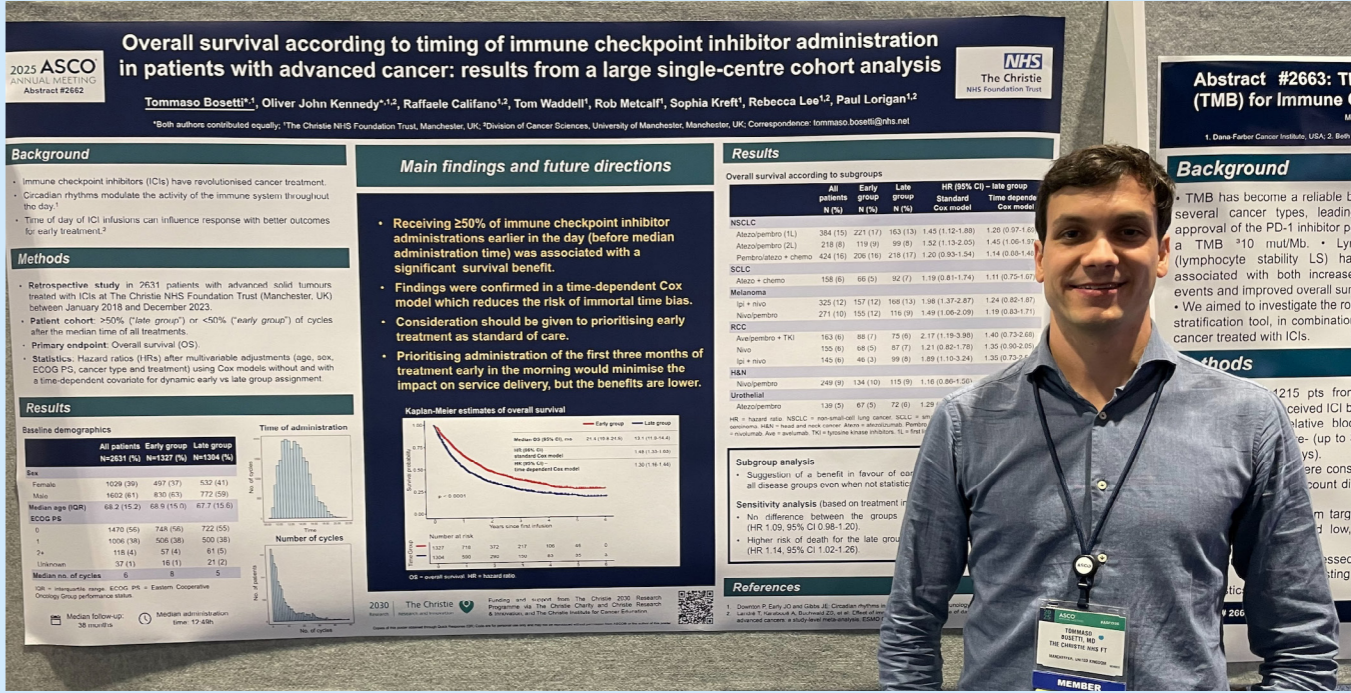
A few months ago, I had the opportunity to travel to Chicago for the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting, where I presented a poster on the impact of the time of day of immune checkpoint inhibitor administration.

The trip was kindly funded and supported by The Christie 2030 Research Programme via The Christie Charity and The Christie Institute for Cancer Education.

The poster session was a real highlight! I was struck by the level of interest in our work and had the chance to exchange ideas with colleagues from all over the world, including several with significant expertise in this area. Attending the conference also gave me the

opportunity to learn about the latest advances in oncology.

Overall, the ASCO experience was hugely rewarding. I came back inspired, with fresh ideas, new contacts, and the motivation to push my interest in research further. Last but not least, Chicago itself was an incredible place to visit. I'm very grateful to my co-authors and to everyone at The Christie for their support; this opportunity would not have been possible without them.



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International Education Events



Annual Clinical Fellows' Showcase

On Friday 4th July 2025, we held our very first Annual Clinical Fellows' Showcase event at The Christie.

We had a fantastic afternoon hearing about the experiences and projects of some of our current fellows through a series of flash talks. Congratulations to Dr Millicent Morris and Dr Julio Herrero who were awarded first and second place prizes for their talks.

We also heard from Rachel Chown, Dr Fábio Gomes and Prof Fiona Blackhall who delivered inspiring keynote lectures during the event.

Many thanks to colleagues across The Christie and Manchester Cancer

Research Centre for supporting the organisation and delivery of the showcase. We are looking forward to welcoming you to more annual showcases in the coming years.

ESTRO & ESMO Academic Receptions

In 2025, we were honoured to host our third annual academic receptions during both the ESTRO and ESMO Congresses. These receptions were hosted in partnership alongside Manchester Cancer Research Centre and The Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre.

These events are always a highlight at our major conferences; as well as giving us the opportunity to discuss joint ventures with our colleagues from around the world, our teams have the chance to connect and celebrate all the hard work they do each year. We are also delighted to be able to meet with our funders, new trainees and alumni. This year, we were particularly delighted to spend time with the supervisors of the first Christie-Peter Mac joint fellowship which was launched earlier this year, as well as meeting members of the Latin American Cooperative Oncology Group for the first time.

We would like to thank all those who came to our 2025 Academic Receptions and we hope to see you again at our future events! ○

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Spotlight on Wellbeing

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Dr Daniel Anderson



The Paterson Programme at The Christie

The Paterson Programme is a mentorship and coaching initiative that Dr Daniel Anderson has developed for resident doctors and fellows, shaped by his own experience of working at the interface of psychiatry, oncology, and education.

It was born out of a recognition that training in medicine, particularly in cancer care, is not only intellectually demanding but also deeply personal and emotionally charged. For many residents and fellows, the challenges extend well beyond acquiring technical expertise - they involve navigating professional identity, balancing personal wellbeing, and managing the often-intense dynamics of clinical teams and organisational pressures.

The programme offers a space to pause and reflect. It blends mentoring, which provides support for those grappling with stress or personal difficulties, with coaching, which helps clarify aspirations, goals, and career pathways. These conversations are not formulaic but personalised, tailored to the needs

of each participant. The aim is to create a confidential, supportive environment where individuals can explore their own experiences of working in medicine, their hopes for the future, and the challenges they encounter day to day.

At a practical level, the programme is structured around an initial in-depth introductory session, followed by monthly one-to-one meetings over a period of up to six months. Each session lasts around 50 minutes and can take place online or face-to-face, depending on what works best for the participant. Alongside the conversations, participants contribute feedback before and after the programme to help us understand its impact and ensure it continues to evolve.

What makes the Paterson Programme distinctive is its dual focus: it provides psychological tools to enhance resilience and self-awareness while also supporting professional growth and career planning. Many participants have found that it helps them to develop greater confidence in communicating with patients and colleagues, to manage stress more effectively, and to foster more collaborative, compassionate working relationships. Ultimately, Dr Anderson's hope is that through these conversations, fellows and residents feel better equipped not only to thrive personally and professionally but also to contribute to an educational culture that values honesty, support, and intellectual candour in the practice of medicine.


Paterson Programme feedback:

“Working with a coach has been one of the most transformative decisions in my professional journey as a doctor. Initially, I sought support to manage the mounting pressures and emotional complexities that come with clinical responsibilities and career progression. What I found was far more profound. Having someone who stands beside me has been invaluable. My coach creates a space where I can share both my failures and successes without fear. This has helped me develop a healthier relationship with vulnerability, which I used to see as a weakness but now recognise as a strength.

One of the most impactful aspects of this mentorship has been the support during critical decision-making moments. Whether it's navigating ethical dilemmas, career transitions, or interpersonal conflicts, my coach helps me slow down, reflect, and align my choices with my values. I've become more confident in my decisions and more compassionate toward myself when things don't go as planned.

That said, the journey hasn't been without its challenges. At times, I found it difficult to open up fully, especially when discussing deeply personal fears or perceived failures. But over time, the consistent, non-judgmental presence of my coach helped me build trust and let go of the need to always appear strong. In a profession where we're often expected to be the strong

ones, having someone who sees me has been a quiet revolution in my life.”
– **International Fellow.**

If you are based at The Christie and interested in finding out more about The Paterson Programme and how to apply, please email Dr Daniel Anderson at daniel.anderson16@nhs.net 

Open Doors Podcast Episode



Navigating Change, Building Strength: Living Abroad

Dr Jonathan Lim, Clinical Senior Lecturer & Honorary Consultant Medical Oncologist and Fellowship Specialty Lead for Medical Oncology, shares his personal and professional journey of living and working abroad in this podcast episode. Dr Lim highlights the importance of professional wellbeing, especially for those navigating complex transitions in global medical careers.

You can listen to the podcast here:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/episode-2-dr-jonathan-lim-navigating-change-building/id1816524445?i=1000710933438>

International Partnerships

The International Education Team works closely with several international partners to enable high quality learning experiences across all our workstreams. Within this edition of our newsletter, we are spotlighting two strategic partnerships with the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Melbourne, Australia, and the Hellenic Society for Medical Oncology (HeSMO) in Greece.

Peter MacCullum Cancer Centre, Melbourne

The Christie and Peter Mac are part of a strategic alliance which is focused on enabling joint education, research, and clinical activities between our two centres.

Within The Christie Institute for Cancer Education, we have progressed several initiatives throughout 2025. This includes offering short-term exchange fellowships to our Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) to enable reciprocal visits and knowledge exchange between our two sites. In October, we were delighted to host Kate Graham, Senior Clinical & Food services Dietitian from Peter Mac, at The Christie. Kate spent 2-weeks with the Nutrition & Dietetics team under the supervision of Loraine Gillespie

and attended the British Dietitian Association Oncology Study Day in Birmingham with our colleagues. In November, we welcomed Mikayla Wald, a Radiation Therapist from Peter Mac, for a 2-week visit supervised by Prof Cynthia Eccles and the Radiotherapy team. From The Christie, Rachael Bailey, Specialised Therapeutic Radiographer, and Karen O'Hare, Specialist Oncology Dietitian, travelled to Melbourne in November 2025 to undertake their visits. We look forward to the next annual round of these opportunities which will be available to our nursing staff at The Christie and Peter Mac.

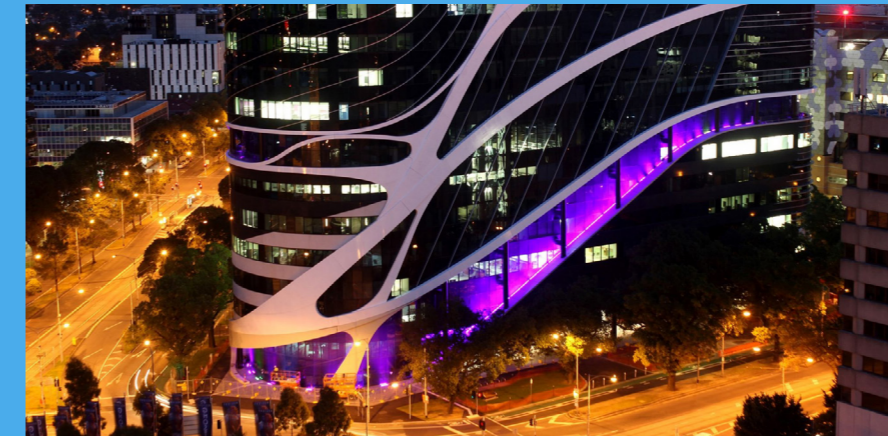
Kate Graham, Senior Clinical & Food services Dietitian from Peter Mac said: **"The experience at the Christie was a unique opportunity to observe a like for like service providing oncology care. It was reassuring to see how**

similar our services and models of care are. Meeting colleagues from the UK and participating in collaborative learning was truly amazing and a valuable experience at the time but also for our departments moving forward."

Hellenic Society for Medical Oncology (HeSMO), Greece

The Christie and the Hellenic Society for Medical Oncology (HeSMO) have also commenced joint clinical fellowship opportunities. These involve Medical Oncology trainees from Greece undertaking a 12-month research and clinical fellowship at The Christie.

We are delighted to have appointed our first fellow to this scheme, who started at The Christie in September 2025. Having joined the colorectal



and gynaecological disease teams at the hospital, Dr Alkistis Papatheodoridi, from Athens, will be undertaking clinical research projects during her time with us. During her 12-month placement, Alkistis will be involved in various projects, including analysing clinical biomarkers for patients on anti-BRAF treatment, reviewing the management of electrolyte changes for patients treated with EGFR inhibitors and developing treatment protocols for patients with small bowel adenocarcinoma.

Dr Alkistis Papatheodoridi said: **"Although I've only recently started the fellowship, it has already been a valuable experience. I've had the opportunity to engage in both clinical and research activities focused on colorectal and gynecologic oncology expanding my clinical experience and**

contributing to meaningful scientific projects and I'm excited about the collaborative opportunities ahead."

We are currently recruiting for the next Christie–HeSMO Fellowship, due to begin in 2026. Developed by Dr Konstantinos Kamposioras and Rachel Chown, this initiative provides early-career oncologists in Greece with the chance to undertake training at one of Europe's foremost cancer centres.

Fellows gain hands-on experience in multidisciplinary oncology, clinical research exposure, and mentorship from internationally recognised experts. The programme also provides a supportive environment that helps young oncologists build lasting professional relationships and foster future international collaborations.

The Christie–HeSMO Fellowship reflects a shared commitment to excellence, education and international partnerships in oncology.

We are grateful to The Christie 2030 Research Programme funded via The Christie Charity, for support to both strategic partnerships. The Christie Charity supports the work of The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, providing enhanced services and research over and above what the NHS funds. ○

If you or your international organisation are interested in partnering with us in the future, then please do get in touch with us via:
the-christie.international@nhs.net



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Dr Alkistis Papatheodoridi





*Current Fellow Representatives:
Dr Izzati Zainee, Dr Zoulikha Zair,
Dr Ana Sofia Parreira, Dr Shweta Sharma*

Fellowship Representatives

Joining The Christie NHS Foundation Trust as a Clinical Fellow offers exciting opportunities and the chance to grow in a supportive environment.

Our dedicated Fellow Representatives provide guidance, organise social events, and play a key role in creating a safe, approachable, inviting, and inclusive workplace. They also represent fellows' views within our governance structures, contributing to the development of the

programme and ensuring continuous peer support through regular feedback and community-building activities.

If you would like to get in touch with the Fellow Reps, please email the-christie.fellowships@nhs.net ○



Supervisor Interview: Aziz Gulamhusein

Consultant Urological and Robotic Surgeon

Tell us a bit about your background and how you ended up working for The Christie.

I am a consultant urological and robotic surgeon with a specialist interest in complex open and minimally invasive surgery. My sub-specialty interest is in advanced testis cancer, kidney cancer, adrenal tumours and retroperitoneal sarcoma. I trained in the South Yorkshire Deanery before completing two fellowships. Following my post-CCT Fellowship, I was appointed at The Christie in 2020.

Where did you do your own fellowship and how was it important to your career?

I completed a Robotic Fellowship during training in Aalborg, Denmark and then undertook a post-CCT Fellowship for a year at The Royal Free Hospital in London, with a subsequent additional fellowship for 3 months at The Royal Marsden in London. My fellowships were invaluable in allowing me to deepen my expertise in my sub-specialty interests and ensure I was more competitive and better prepared for the responsibilities of a consultant surgeon.

Do you currently supervise any Christie Fellows? If so, what are their roles here and what projects are they working on as part of their fellowships?

Yes, I currently supervise an International Senior Fellow from Portugal. His aim is to gain clinical experience in both the outpatient and surgical management of complex uro-oncology patients. In his first three months with our team, he has already managed to prepare a manuscript ready for publication on adrenal surgery and has an abstract accepted for a podium presentation at a national congress.

Why would you recommend a Christie fellowship?

The Christie is a unique elective oncology centre with a wide scope in uro-oncology. We carry out complex open and robotic surgery with a wealth of experience within the team. Our fellows are well supported to ensure clinical progress and are also exposed to ample opportunity to get involved in projects with a view to presentation and publication. It is a great stepping stone towards a consultant post.

What are your top tips for those interested in making an application to a fellowship position?

We would encourage anyone with an interest in uro-oncology to apply. Our specific fellowships are structured to allow a varied level of experience, although generally more suited to senior trainees. Applicants should be able to demonstrate a clear interest in their sub-specialty interest and highlight academic contributions.

How would you advise Christie fellows to make the most of their time at the Trust?

I would encourage fellows to set achievable goals early and have regular supervisor meetings to ensure progression as planned. Be proactive in learning and building strong relationships with consultants and peers. Most importantly, they need to enjoy their time and use it to plan next steps with guidance from mentors. ○



Supervisor Interview: Amanda Rees

Head of Operations, Experimental Cancer Medicine Team (ECMT)
/Manchester (Adult) Experimental Cancer Medicine Centre (ECMC)

Tell us a bit about your background and how you ended up working for The Christie.

Before joining the NHS, I worked at AstraZeneca in diabetes research, most recently as a pre-clinical project lead. In 2012, I transitioned to clinical research working at Alder Hey Children's Hospital and Manchester NHS Foundation Trust. In 2018, I joined The Christie, where I was able to combine my pre-clinical and clinical experience in an early phase oncology research setting.

Have you completed your own professional visit to another service and how was it important to your career?

As part of my role with the Manchester (Adult) Experimental Cancer Medicine Centre (ECMC) I work as part of a national network which supports scientists and clinicians driving the discovery, development and testing of new

cancer treatments. This network enables regular collaboration with teams from academic institutions and NHS hospitals across the UK. These interactions provide invaluable insights into diverse ways of working, fostering innovation and shared learning. Personally, this has significantly enhanced my own career development and has brought tangible benefits to our team at The Christie.

Have you supported any Christie staff to visit another service/hospital and how did impact your own service?

We are always keen to support both clinical and non-clinical staff to visit another service or hospital. Through the ECMC network, we have facilitated both incoming and outgoing visits. These opportunities bring huge opportunities to Christie staff, as well as the wider team; Primarily broadening professional horizons, fostering innovation and collaboration, strengthening global networks, and enhancing career

development. With the support of The Christie 2030 Research Programme, we will be appointing a Clinical Fellow who will spend 12 months working at The Christie and 12 months working at The Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre in Melbourne, Australia.



Can you tell us about the observers within your team and the projects they have worked on as part of their observership?

ECMT, a large multidisciplinary team specialising in early phase oncology clinical research, regularly hosts international observers, including recent participants from Spain, Portugal, Peru, and Vietnam. Observerships are tailored to each individual's interests and provide opportunities to observe patient care throughout the clinical trial process. Observers shadow in clinics, MDTs, and team meetings, gaining an insight into patient management, trial operations, data management, and global Principal Investigator (PI) responsibilities. Each observer undertakes a supervised project – either building on existing work or exploring a new area – and presents their findings to the team at the end of their placement. Many go on to publish their work, with several accepted for poster presentation at major conferences including ESMO.

Why would you recommend a Christie observership?

The Christie has an international reputation not only for world-class patient care but also for excellence in education and training. Observers are well supported throughout the application process, and once on site, they are welcomed into a vibrant and

collaborative environment. They will follow a well thought out programme, with numerous opportunities to engage with staff across a wide range of disciplines, each bringing unique expertise and perspectives. These interactions help observers gain a deeper understanding of cancer care and research, and often inspire new directions in their careers. Completing an observership at The Christie is a valuable addition to any CV. More importantly, it can be a pivotal experience – helping individuals make informed decisions about their long-term career paths. Many observers maintain long-term professional relationships with The Christie after returning to their home institutions, and some return as Clinical Fellows.

What are your top tips for those interested in applying for an observership?

Number one is apply early – teams often have Observers places filled more than a year in advance. Where possible be flexible with the timing of your observership. Build a relationship with the team you are hoping to work with and share your ambitions and what you hope to gain from spending time at The Christie. It may seem obvious but try to respond to messages in a timely manner. You will be asked to provide a lot of information and sending this quickly will make the process easier to navigate.

How would you advise Christie observers to make the most out of their time at the Trust to benefit their onward career?

In short – be proactive. The Christie has an active fellow group both within R&I and across the wider Trust. The Institute does a great job in supporting observers and linking them to this wider group. We strongly encourage observers to engage with as many colleagues as possible – clinical and non-clinical alike. These conversations are invaluable for gaining insight into the breadth of opportunities available and understanding the pathways to pursue career-enhancing activities. Within ECMT, our consultant team is exceptionally supportive and knowledgeable. They are committed to helping observers make the most of their time here, offering guidance and mentorship throughout their placement and beyond. For our overseas observers or those new to Manchester, we also encourage you to explore the city and surrounding areas.

Manchester is rich in culture, history, and activities for all interests – from music and sport to nature and food. There's always someone happy to point you in the right direction. ○

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Dates for the Diary



Fellows' Teaching Programme 2025-26

The fellows' teaching programme runs each year between September-June and is made up of a series of live seminars covering a variety of topics. Fellows receive calendar invites in advance of all sessions with further information, including time and location. Please see the 2025-26 programme schedule below:

Clinical Trials of the Future
(half-day workshop hosted by MCRC)
Date: Friday 26th September 2025
Speakers: Experts from Manchester ECMC and Leeds CTU

Daring to lead: Realising your leadership potential
Date: Tuesday 21st October 2025
Speaker: Dr Ana Ortega Franco

Preparing a grant proposal for PhD or research projects
Date: Tuesday 18th November 2025
Speaker: Dr Jamie Weaver

Christmas quiz!
Date: Tuesday 16th December 2025
Speakers: Members of The Christie Fellowships Team

Public communication
Date: Tuesday 20th January 2026
Speaker: Prof. Ananya Choudhury

Prioritising your wellbeing and developing personal resilience
Date: Tuesday 10th February 2026
Speaker: Leone Alexander

Leveraging foundation models and AI agents: AI to support your clinical work and research
Date: Tuesday 17th March 2026
Speaker: Dr André Freitas

Developing effective teaching skills: From bedside to big lectures
Date: Tuesday 21st April 2026
Speaker: Dr Ganesh Radhakrishna

Optimising your CV for your next opportunity
Date: Tuesday 19th May 2026
Speaker: Dr Igor Gomez-Randulfe

Designing and delivering translational research at The Christie
Date: Tuesday 16th June 2026
Speakers: Dr Jonathan Lim & Jane Rogan



ESTRO & ESMO Academic Receptions

These receptions happen once a year at our major European cancer conferences. 2026 reception dates and sign-up links will be emailed to fellows and colleagues.

Conference dates:

ESTRO
Date: Friday 15th - Tuesday 19th May 2026
Location: Stockholm, Sweden

ESMO
Date: Friday 23rd - Tuesday 27th October 2026
Location: Madrid, Spain



Christie Fellow Drop-In Sessions

Drop-ins for Christie fellows happen once a month on-site at the Trust. These sessions are led by Jenny Espin, Senior Education Coordinator for Fellowships, and are a chance for fellows to meet each other and members of the International Education Team, as well as find out more about opportunities that are available to them during their fellowship.

Tuesday 25th November 2025
Time: 16:00-17:00
Location: Seminar 4&5 (Education Centre)

Thursday 11th December 2025
Time: 16:00-17:00
Location: Meeting room 54-02-020 (Paterson)

Tuesday 13th January 2026
Time: 15:30-16:30
Location: Seminar 6 (Education Centre)

Thursday 12th February 2026
Time: 15:30-16:30
Location: Seminar 4&5 (Education Centre)

Tuesday 10th March 2026
Time: 10:30-11:30
Location: Meeting room 54-02-020 (Paterson)

Thursday 2nd April 2026
Time: 10:30-11:30
Location: Meeting room 54-02-020 (Paterson)

Thursday 21st May 2026
Time: 15:30-16:30
Location: Seminar 6 (Education Centre)

Tuesday 9th June 2026
Time: 10:30-11:30
Location: Seminar 6 (Education Centre)

Thursday 23rd July 2026
Time: 16:00-17:00
Location: Meeting room 54-02-020 (Paterson)

Tuesday 18th August 2026
Time: 16:00-17:00
Location: Seminar 6 (Education Centre)

Thursday 10th September 2026
Time: 10:30-11:30
Location: Meeting room 54-02-020 (Paterson)

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For any enquiries about the above, please contact the-christie.fellowships@nhs.net

The Christie Fellowship

Alumni Network

The Christie Fellowship Alumni Network aims to continue links with Christie fellows who have left the Trust.

Through this network, we may contact fellowship alumni with invitations to events, circulation of Christie Newsletters, to request information on success and progress since leaving The Christie, and any other general alumni communications.

If you are interested in joining this network, please visit **The Christie Fellowship Alumni Network** page on The Christie website, or alternatively, email the-christie.fellowships@nhs.net



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