

## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

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## VasCog 2025: Submit Your Abstract Now!

**15th – 18th September, 2025 | St Mary's Stadium, Southampton**

**Deadline for Abstracts: Tuesday July 15 2025**

Join distinguished researchers, clinicians and experts in vascular behavioural and cognitive disorders at VasCog 2025 to discuss current developments in the field, network with like minded professionals, and explore opportunities to accelerate your research and elevate your career. [Learn more and register here.](#)



## UK Stroke Forum 2025: Submit Your Abstract Now!

**25 to 27 November 2025, Aberdeen**

**Deadline for Abstracts: Tuesday 20 May 2025**

The UK Stroke Forum is the UK's largest multidisciplinary conference for stroke care professionals. Authors interested in submitting an abstract for UKSF 2025 can choose from a wide range of topics. [Learn more and register here.](#)

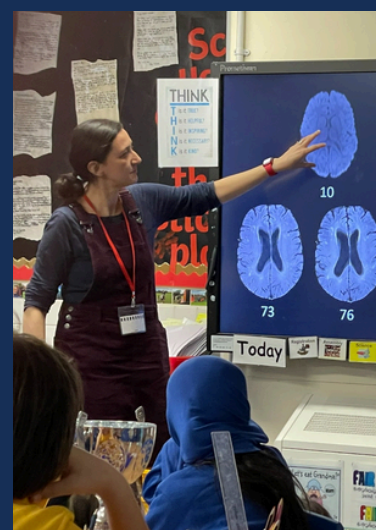


## Upcoming Awareness Days

We're approaching several key awareness days and campaigns relevant to our work at the Row Fogo Centre:

- May – Action on Stroke Month
- May 17 – World Hypertension Day
- May 20 – World Clinical Trials Day
- May 31 – World No Tobacco Day
- June – Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month

If you're planning activity around any of these, have ideas for raising awareness, or would like to contribute to a campaign, we'd love to hear from you. Please get in touch with the comms team to discuss how we can support and amplify your efforts.



Last year, the British Heart Foundation (BHF) hosted a remarkable evening at the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh as part of its Alumni Voices series, featuring a conversation between two of the UK's leading medical researchers: Professor Joanna Wardlaw CBE and Professor James Leiper.

You can listen to the full discussion here on [Spotify](#) and [Apple Podcasts](#).

## In Case You Missed It!

## Pint of Science Festival 2025

Join colleagues in the pub as they share their scientific discoveries with anyone who fancies hearing about them in a relaxed, informal setting. No prior knowledge required.

- The Monkey Barrel, Rm MB1, 9 Blair St, EH1 1QR
- 19 to 21 May 2025



### The Resilient Mind; Tuesday 20 May, 7.30pm to 9.30pm

'Gold, guns and brain cells: a story of neurodegeneration and resilience', Danilo Negro (UKDRI, PhD)

'Advances in Dementia Research – how science brought us the first treatments that slow Alzheimer's disease and why these are only the beginning' Prof Tara Spire-Jones (UKDRI)

### The Developing Mind; Monday 19 May, 7.30pm to 9.30pm

'The Epigenetics of Building a Brain', Dr Rob Illingworth (IRR)

'Understanding understanding – learning about preterm born children's social brain development', Selina Abel (PhD)

### The Uncharted Mind; Wednesday 21 May, 7.30pm to 9.30pm

'Biopolar disorder – the undiscovered', Dr Nicole Needham (Psychiatry)

'Still Got It: Creativity and the Ageing Brain', Dr Tanvi Patel (Psychology)

## Nominations are open for the Eric Kandel Young Neuroscientists Prize 2025

The prize recognises outstanding work by young researchers in any field of neuroscience. It includes:

- Award money of €50,000.00 for personal use,
- Research funding of €50,000.00,
- The Eric Kandel Prize Lecture at the FENS Forum 2026 in Barcelona, Spain.

**The deadline for nominations is 24 July 2025.**

Nominations must be submitted by email to [GrychtolikAF@ghst.de](mailto:GrychtolikAF@ghst.de).

## MICCAI Challenge 2025: Register Now!

The 28th International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI 2025) will be held from Tuesday September 23rd to Saturday September 27th 2025 in Daejeon, Republic of Korea. [Learn more and register here.](#)



## Patient and Public Involvement in Research (PPI) Summer School

**June 10 – 13 2025**

This summer school will provide you with the confidence and skills in PPI to enable you to undertake your first PPI activity or improve your current practice.

[Learn more and register here.](#)



# Brainbox Initiative Awards



## Research Challenge Award

The Brainbox Initiative's annual Research Challenge award provides a unique opportunity for early-career neuroscientists with the most ambitious study ideas and proposals to gain invaluable research experience working with state-of-the-art equipment to complete their research goals.

**Submission Deadline: June 1 2025.** [Learn more and apply here.](#)

## Young Investigator Award

The Brainbox Initiative Young Investigator Award aims to stimulate and reward the very best, most novel neuroscience research being carried out by early-career academics. **Submission Deadline: June 1 2025.** [Learn more and apply here.](#)

## John Rothwell Award

The prestigious John Rothwell Award has been created by the Brainbox Initiative to acknowledge and reward excellence in non-invasive brain stimulation research that stimulates further work at a higher scientific level. **Submission Deadline: June 1 2025.** [Learn more and apply here.](#)

## JSPS London Call for the Short Term Pre/postdoctoral Fellowships for Research in Japan

This programme provides the opportunity for short-term visits for pre- and post-doctoral UK researchers and European, North American and Canadian researchers **based in the UK and Ireland**, for cooperative research with leading research groups at Japanese Universities and Institutions. Awards will cover visits of 1 to 12 months.

**Closing Date: Monday 26th May, 2025 at 09:00**

[Learn more and apply here.](#)



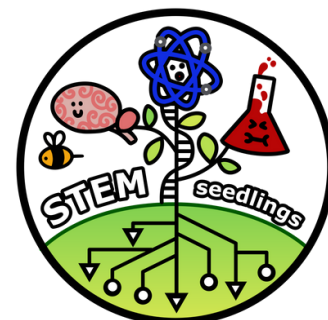
## Female Early Career Researchers: Join STEM Seedlings!

### Autumn 2025

Join STEM Seedlings, an outreach programme by the RSE Young Academy of Scotland aimed at empowering ECRs and inspiring young students through science workshops in primary schools. This opportunity is open to applications from PhD students up to young lecturers.

**Deadline to apply: May 12 2025.**

[Learn more and register here.](#)



## **BHF Centre of Research Excellence – Translational Research Fund**

This British Heart Foundation fund aims to encourage the translation of fundamental research across five research excellence themes (heart diseases, stroke and vascular dementia, cardiometabolism, advanced cardiovascular imaging, and data driven innovation) into innovative technologies and solutions that have the potential to deliver patient benefit.



**Deadline for applications: Monday 12 May 2025**

**[Learn more and apply here.](#)**

## **Edinburgh Career Development Scheme (CMVM)**

This fund will support postdoctoral researchers who require bridging funding in order to apply for external fellowships. The aim is to support the careers of researchers who are normally on fixed term contracts or an open ended contract which is reliant on funding, to provide additional time to prepare for and apply to external fellowship schemes.



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**Deadline for applications: Thursday 29 May 2025**

**[Learn more and apply here.](#)**

## **IBRO Neuroscience Training Grants**

Specialised teaching and hands-on training experiences are crucial for the career development of neuroscience researchers. IBRO Neuroscience Training Grants are designed to support essential opportunities, covering costs directly associated with the attendance of a neuroscience training course, such as course fees, travel and accommodation. Applications are open to PhD students and early-career postdoctoral fellows who are within 5 years of starting their first postdoctoral fellowship.



**Deadline for applications:  
31 May 2025**

**[Learn more and apply here.](#)**

## **NIHR Better Methods Better Research Programme**

The BMBR Programme is a collaboration between MRC and NIHR. It aims to ensure that optimal research methods are used to advance biomedical, health and care research, policy and delivery.

Project proposals would typically be valued up to £625,000.

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**Deadline for applications:  
Tuesday 1 July**

**[Learn more and apply here.](#)**