



Angeline qualified as a nurse in 2009 and has worked in a combination of clinical settings across acute and community care in both cardiology and geriatric medicine roles. In 2016 she moved into the department of Ageing and Complex Medicine at Salford Royal Foundation NHS Trust, completing an MSc in Advanced Clinical Practice and qualifying as an ACP in 2018. Since then, Angeline has developed a special interest in the peri-operative care of older people, in particular those undergoing emergency laparotomy. She works closely with the colorectal team and has developed a novel frailty assessment service within the colorectal 2 week wait pathway. Angeline holds a position within the British Geriatrics Society's Nurse and Allied Health Professionals Council, is the Deputy Chair for the Royal College of Nursing Perioperative Forum and represents the British Geriatrics Society within the Inequalities in Health Alliance. Angeline has secured a National Institute for Health Research Clinical Doctoral Research Fellowship and is soon to commence a mixed-methods PhD study exploring the experience following emergency surgery for older people living with frailty.



Carly Bisset is a general surgery trainee in the West of Scotland, and is undertaking a PhD with the University of Aberdeen in Medical Education. Her research interests include non-technical skills in surgery, decision-making and heuristics.



Dr. Celia Keane is a postdoctoral research fellow at the University of Auckland. She completed an MBChB at the University of Otago and a PhD entitled "Redefining Low Anterior Resection Syndrome" at the University of Auckland. She started surgical training in New Zealand before returning to the University of Auckland to focus on research in 2019. She lives and works clinically in Whangarei, New Zealand. She is a mum to one beautiful daughter, a novice gardener, and a rehabilitating runner. She is passionate about co-design, functional outcomes, and equity in healthcare.



Prof Charles Knowles BChir, MA, PhD, FRCS, FASCRS (Hon) is Professor of Surgery at Queen Mary University of London and Consultant Colorectal surgeon at Barts Health NHS Trust. He qualified from the University of Cambridge and undertook general surgical training and a PhD in London. Prof Knowles main research interests include the evaluation of new technologies for the diagnosis and treatment of chronic bowel diseases with a focus on neuromodulation and cell therapies. Clinically, he is a key international opinion leader on pelvic floor disorders and GI neuromuscular diseases. Professor Knowles is Clinical Director of Research at the Cleveland Clinic London and holds honorary chairs at University College London and the University of Antwerp. He is chair of several research committees including those of European Society of Coloproctology and International Continence Society. He has authored over 240 peer-reviewed publications as well as contributing major international colorectal and general surgical texts.



Mr Dale Vimalchandran is a consultant colorectal surgeon at the Countess of Chester in Northwest England and Associate Professor at the University of Liverpool. He runs a research group at the University of Liverpool which is exploring the local and systemic responses of advanced colorectal cancer to neoadjuvant therapy. He also has a research interest in diverticular disease and is one of the lead investigators for the global DAMASCUS study. Dale has been the chief investigator for a number of other research studies including the HiP study which compared low Hartman's procedure to intersphincteric APE in low rectal cancer along with the ReCaP study which looked at rectal cancer management during the Covid pandemic. He is one of the current Royal College of Surgeons/ACPGBI sub-specialty leads for colorectal surgical research and is also the NIHR national specialty lead for surgical oncology.



Kate Williams is a medical student at the University of Sheffield. She has recently completed a BSc in Surgical Sciences, with her project focused on variations in reporting of patient characteristics in studies of Crohn's anal fistula. She is looking forward to developing this novel methodology further.



Dr. Liliana Bordeianou MD, MPH is a Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School and a colorectal surgeon at the Massachusetts General Hospital, where she leads as Chief of the Pelvic Floor Disorders Center and the Colorectal Surgery Center. She also chairs the Mass General Brigham Colorectal Surgery Collaborative. She is the PI on the PROPS (Patient Reported Outcomes after Pouch Surgery) study.



Mr Matthew Lee is an NIHR Clinical Lecturer in General Surgery at the University of Sheffield, UK. His research interests are in IBD, emergency surgery, GI recovery, and methods research. He has worked on the Tripartite projects to develop GI Recovery Core Outcome Sets (ileus and small bowel obstruction), and Core Descriptor Sets for Crohn's Anal Fistula.



Nicola Fearnhead is a Consultant Colorectal Surgeon at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge and a Past President of ACPGBI. She studied at Pembroke College, Cambridge and Merton College, Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, and undertook surgical training in Bristol, Oxford and the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio. She is Clinical Lead of the National Bowel Cancer Audit and Chair of the surgical section of the Colorectal group at the National Cancer Research Institute. She is a strong supporter of patient involvement in research and the Tripartite international research collaborations.



Mr Paul Cavallaro is a general surgery resident at Massachusetts General Hospital. His academic interests include the pathophysiology of diverticular disease, colorectal cancer treatment paradigms, and functional outcomes after IBD surgery.



Mr Richard Wilkin is an Academic Clinical Lecturer at the University of Birmingham and a colorectal Registrar. He is co-Cl of the SUNRRISE Trial and has research interests in surgical site infection and rectal cancer. He has been involved in trainee research collaborative work for over ten years



Dr Stephen Chapman is a Doctoral Research Fellow at University of Leeds in the UK. His research focuses on recovery after major surgery alongside cross-disciplinary collaborators in healthcare, academia, and industry. He is interested in the design and delivery of clinical trials and has trained in mixed-method, consensus-driven, and qualitative research.



Mr Steve Knight is a NIHR Clinical Research Fellow and surgical registrar in the West of Scotland. Interests include crowd-sourcing patient-level data, machine learning techniques, mobile data collection platforms and wearable technology to measure postoperative surgical outcomes. During his PhD exploring global surgical outcomes, he helped lead GlobalSurg 3, a prospective international cohort study of early cancer outcomes of 15 000 patients across 82 countries. Recent work developing risk stratification scores to guide clinical management during the Covid-19 pandemic has been published in the British Medical Journal and incorporated within national guidelines. He also sits on the NIHR Surgical MedTech Cooperative steering committee, leading on surgical innovation to improve postoperative recovery and surveillance in patients with HPB-related diseases.



Sue Blackwell is an experienced PPI representative with a particular interest in PROMS and parastomal hernia. She is the first patient to receive a research grant from Bowel Research UK. She is a member of the Patient Liaison Group of ACPGBI and the PPI rep on the ESCP Research Committee.



Susan is an Honorary Professor of the University of Glasgow and a consultant colorectal and general surgeon in Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley and Golden Jubilee National Hospital. Her research interests are linked by the common theme of improving surgical patient outcomes: frailty, older adult, decision-making, lifestyle factors in colorectal cancer and contrast ultrasound for rectal cancer staging. She collaborates nationally and internationally within her own specialty, but also beyond, including geriatricians, bioengineers, and physicists. She currently holds a NRS Chief Scientist Office (CSO) Senior Research Fellowship and is one of two Surgical Specialty Leads for Colorectal (RCSEng). Susan has recently been appointed as the Director of Research for ASGBI.