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Editor

Welcome to our second newsletter. In this edition we welcome our new President, Professor James Moon. James has worked tirelessly in the clinical, academic, educational, leadership and management aspects of CMR for many years and we look forward to him taking our specialty forward in the UK in the coming years. We also welcome a new Chairman of our trainee subcommittee, Dr Ananth Kidambi and discuss our recent annual BSCMR conference in Exeter.

**Please enjoy the newsletter and do email me with any feedback.**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Prof James Moon**  
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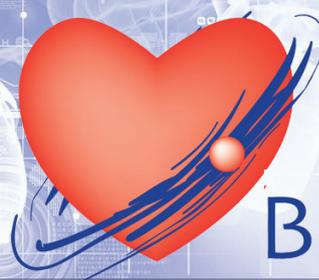
**Welcome to the autumn BSCMR newsletter I would like to provide a few updates on the activities of BSCMR over the last few months. It has been exciting times. Its a great honour to be president, and I outline some areas of activity, below.**

**Secretariat:** Firstly Rose and Michelle our secretariat since we were formed, have moved on. We thank them for all their hard work over more than a decade for the society. They will be greatly missed. Replacing them was extremely difficult. We are however extremely lucky to have found Richard Bazneh who has taken over from the 1st September. Richard will be known to some of you as he organises the British Heart Valve Society. He has "hit the ground" running and we are reworking much of the back-room procedures. This will include a new website and new streamlined ways of running the membership.

**2017 Meeting, Wednesday 29th March:** Progression to the BSCMR meeting is going well. This is being led by Matthias Schmitt and will be in Manchester at MOSI, the Museum of Science and Industry, a wonderful venue. Following the success of the level 1 course initiated in Exeter by Nick Bellenger with John Greenwood's support, a further level 1 course will be hosted the day before.

**Increased opportunity to be a board member:** BSCMR was set up in 2004 and since then the society has grown substantially with more members and more talent. To increase representation we propose increasing democratic opportunity. We propose removing 2 "offices" from the board (past chairman, deputy treasurer) replacing them by "ordinary members" and removing the automatic progression from treasurer to chair elect. This reduces the average board "dwell time" by ~1.6years and means that instead of 2 elected places every 2 years, there will be three. This way, we hope to enhance the diversity of the board and ensure wider opportunity for groups that risk under-representation. We will also be moving to electronic rather than postal voting. This requires a constitution change so will be put to you at the AGM at BSCMR in 2017.

I want to increase opportunities to be a board member



## PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE (Continued)

**Strategic Board Meeting:** My first action as President was to arrange a one-off Strategic Board Meeting. No usual business was conducted – we talked about where we wanted the society to go over the next 5 years. Six themes were discussed, each being led by two board members, as below. Major priorities were decided, but importantly, the board members tasked with scrutinising specific areas will be leading on those and reporting to the board and steering our activities as we move through to 2017/2018. So please do get in touch if you have any queries.

### Professor James Moon

BSCMR President and Professor of Cardiology, University College London and Bart’s Health Centre

Topic	To include	Board members
Finance	commissioning and coding: local vs national. Maintaining long term focus on this	Mark Westwood Charles Peebles
Education Training	including BCS, courses, online offering, endorsement etc supply side (the referrers) and demand side (those delivering CMR)	Nick Bellenger Tim Fairbairn
Board Configuration	options for reform, sustainability, democratic representation, articles reform, terms of office, posts, cost	James Moon
Admin Secretariat	new secretariat and options. Benchmarking against other societies	John Greenwood
Comms Stakeholders	membership engagement, survey, possible other surveys, website, news letter	Colin Berry Gerry McCann
Clinical and Standards	New guidelines, peer review process etc	Matthias Schmitt Saul Myerson

## 2016 ANNUAL BSCMR CONFERENCE

The 11th annual BSCMR meeting was held on the 20th April 2016 in Exeter, with Dr Nick Bellenger as our dynamic and enthusiastic host. On the day before the meeting the first CMR level 1 training course took place. This was attended by 35 trainees with very positive feedback received.

The main meeting covered a broad aspect of CMR both for both clinical practitioners and academics. Four researchers presented their excellent work for the young investigator award. The winner was Dr Rohan Wijesurendra from the Oxford group who presented his outstanding work on atrial fibrillation and left ventricular energetics.

**Many thanks to Dr Bellenger, all of the speakers and administration staff for organising a very successful two days.**



Clockwise: Dr Rohan Wijesurendra presenting his work and following receiving his award, with Professor Razavi, Professor Moon and Dr Bellenger



## UPCOMING CMR DIARY DATES

<b>1st to 4th February 2017</b>		
<b>SCMR Annual Conference</b>	<b>Location: Washington DC, USA</b>	
Abstract deadline: Past	Website / Contact: <a href="http://www.scmr2017.org">www.scmr2017.org</a>	Go to website 
<b>29th March 2017</b>		
<b>BSCMR Annual Conference</b>	<b>Location: Manchester, UK</b>	
Abstract deadline: Not published yet	Website / Contact: <a href="http://www.bscmr.org">www.bscmr.org</a>	Go to website 
<b>25th to 27th May 2017</b>		
<b>EuroCMR Annual Conference</b>	<b>Location: Prague, Czech Republic</b>	
Abstract deadline: Not published yet	Website / Contact: <a href="http://www.escardio.org/Congresses-%26-Events/EuroCMR">www.escardio.org/Congresses-%26-Events/EuroCMR</a>	Go to website 
<b>28th June 2017</b>		
<b>CMR SpR Training Day</b>	<b>Location: Royal Society of Medicine, London, UK</b>	
Abstract deadline: N/A	Website / Contact: <a href="http://www.rsm.ac.uk/events/events-listing.aspx">www.rsm.ac.uk/events/events-listing.aspx</a>	Go to website 



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