



**British Society of  
Gastrointestinal and  
Abdominal Radiology**  
*Imaging and Intervention in  
the care of Abdominal Disease*

## BSGAR Research Bursary 2026 – Academic Mentors

The BSGAR Committee are pleased to invite applications for the Research Fellowship – Spring 2025. As described within the launch video the application requires the applicant to have the support of an academic mentor for the duration of the award.

If you have already identified a mentor, you would like to work with please proceed to applying (they do not need to be a radiologist or a BSGAR member, but they do need to have research and mentorship experience). However, if you do not have an academic mentor the following members of the BSGAR membership have volunteered to be contacted so that you may discuss your project and whether you feel a mentorship arrangement would work for both of you. The mentor must complete the application with you so we would advise you to contact any potential mentors in good time.

Gastrointestinal and abdominal radiology is a diverse speciality and therefore the mentors have highlighted the areas they would be happy to mentor in.

Name	Institution	Email address	Areas of GI abdominal imaging research they could mentor a project in.
Prof Stuart Taylor	University College London	<a href="mailto:stuart.taylor1@nhs.net">stuart.taylor1@nhs.net</a>	Most projects but due to the challenges in identifying statistical input a meta-analysis / systematic review would be more challenging.
Dr Raneem Albazaz	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:r.albazaz@nhs.net">r.albazaz@nhs.net</a>	Area of expertise is HPB imaging (in particular MRI, CT, US, CEUS, elastography).
Dr Damian Tolan	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	<a href="mailto:damian.tolan@nhs.net">damian.tolan@nhs.net</a>	Area of expertise: clinical trials research particularly in oncology (colon cancer, anorectal malignancy and small bowel diseases), evaluating surgical technology outcomes and mechanistic studies (using radiology for assessment of tumour response in colon cancer neoadjuvant treatments, Fistula in Ano and anastomotic leaks) and determining prognostic significant of imaging biomarkers in colon cancer. Luminal GI is my specialisation and CT, MR and fluoro main modalities. Active projects ongoing in colon cancer, scleroderma, anastomotic leak.
Prof Vicky Goh	King's College London	<a href="mailto:vicky.goh@kcl.ac.uk">vicky.goh@kcl.ac.uk</a>	Research related to luminal GI cancer topics or study design
Dr Kieran Foley	Cardiff University	<a href="mailto:FoleyKG@cardiff.ac.uk">FoleyKG@cardiff.ac.uk</a>	Upper GI and HPB. Also interested in diagnostic accuracy, prognostic studies and systematic reviews.
Prof Gina Brown	Imperial College London	<a href="mailto:gina.brown@imperial.ac.uk">gina.brown@imperial.ac.uk</a>	Colorectal cancer
Dr Anita Wale	St George's Hospital	<a href="mailto:Anita.wale@stgeorges.nhs.uk">Anita.wale@stgeorges.nhs.uk</a>	Imaging biomarker and diagnostic accuracy studies in acute imaging, colorectal cancer, CT and MRI and genetic diseases.
Prof Cindy Chew	Honorary Professor (School of Medicine, Dentistry & Nursing)	<a href="mailto:Cindy.Chew@glasgow.ac.uk">Cindy.Chew@glasgow.ac.uk</a>	

Further academic mentors are welcome, please contact [office@bsgar.org](mailto:office@bsgar.org)