



# NEWSLETTER

## April 2024

Including...

- SAM Belfast
- TakeAIM Summer Conference
- May Educational Evening
- Council Member Updates

**Remember:** If you have anything you wish to share with SAM members, please let us know by e-mailing [administrator@acutemedicine.org.uk](mailto:administrator@acutemedicine.org.uk)

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## SAMBelfast



The Society for Acute Medicine's Spring 2024 Conference will take place on 2-3 May 2024 at the Europa Hotel, Belfast.

The programme theme is "The Thinking Acute Clinician."

You can register for SAMBelfast either in-person or virtually.

[More information and registration here](#)

## SAM Educational Evening May 2024

The next SAM Educational Evening will be 29<sup>th</sup> May at 19.30

Topic: Acute Kidney Injury

Speaker: Dr Qiao Zhou (Acute Medicine & Nephrology Consultant – University Hospitals Bristol and Weston Foundation Trust)

1 CPD (Applied for)

Booking available soon on the SAM website!

## TakeAIM Summer Conference - Newcastle

# Newcastle!

Are you ready for a career in Acute Medicine?

Find out at our takeAIM  
conference this summer!

**Saturday 1st June 2024**  
**Crowne Plaza Hotel, Newcastle**

A one day event aimed at Foundation Doctors,  
IMT Doctors and Medical Students interested in  
a career in Acute Medicine.

**Talks on topics including:**

- A day in the life of an Acute Medic
- Point of Care Ultrasound on the Acute take
- Specialist skill development in AIM

**Masterclasses in:**

- Point of Care Ultrasound
- Acute Medicine applications

**Don't forget to  
take part in our  
poster competition too!**

**Tickets £80 (£35 for Medical students)**

Book now at <https://www.eventsforce.net/eventage/238/home>

**Poster submission deadline 30th April 2024**



[Register here](#) for takeAIM 2024!

## CASE NOTE REVIEWERS REQUIRED NCEPOD

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Blood Sodium Study NCEPOD is undertaking a study to evaluate the recognition and treatment of abnormal blood sodium in hospital. Patients admitted as an emergency and those that develop abnormal blood sodium in hospital are included.

We are recruiting a multi-disciplinary group of healthcare professionals with a working interest in blood sodium. We are looking to identify remediable factors in the quality of care received by patients and produce a national report with recommendations to improve the quality of care provided.

Case reviewers will be asked to attend meetings during which they will assess case note extracts and questionnaires and provide expert opinions on the quality of healthcare received by patients with abnormal blood sodium. The training day will be held in September (date to be confirmed, and if you are unable to make this date, training on an ad hoc basis is possible). You would typically be required to attend a minimum of 4 subsequent case reviewer meetings at the NCEPOD offices in London. It is anticipated case review meetings will begin in October and will run for approximately 6 months. The data collected during these meetings will form a major part of the study's final report. Travel expenses will be reimbursed in line with our expense forms.

We are looking for senior clinicians from a wide variety of specialties, including (and not limited to) endocrinology, nephrology, general medicine, acute medicine, intensive care medicine, neurology and general surgery.

We aim to recruit senior clinicians (grade ST6 and above or equivalent) to ensure that applicants have enough experience for the case note review. All applicants should be in current clinical practice.

Further information about this study including a copy of the study protocol can be found on the webpage: <https://www.ncepod.org.uk/Bloodsodium.html>

If you would be interested in acting as a case note reviewer for this study, please send a copy of your CV (short version) via email to the contact details below.

**The deadline for applications is the 7th June 2024.**

## AHP Council Representative

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We are delighted to announce that Lynsey Alexander has been elected as new Allied Health Professional Representative for SAM Council. She will commence her new role at SAM Belfast next week.

We would like to thank Kirsten Evans for her significant contribution to SAM Council as AHP Representative over the last 3 years. We wish her the best of luck in her future leadership roles.

## And Finally....

We look forward to seeing you at SAM Belfast on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

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