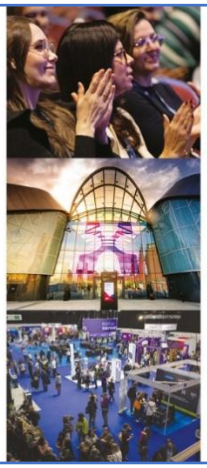
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09:05 – 10:05	**Bamford Paediatric Lecture:** **Leveraging advanced technologies for children's hearing aids and earmoulds** Dr Susan Scollie, Professor, School of Communication Sciences and Disorder, Faculty of Health Sciences, Western University, London, ON, Canada			
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10:50 – 11:35	**Keynote Lecture:** **What is culturally responsive care and how can we promote it in audiology?** Professor Piers Dawes, Professor of Audiology, Centre for Hearing Research, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia			
11:40 – 12:10	5-minute break for those who wish to change rooms Moderator: Dr Ruth Vickerstaff	Moderator: Roslyn Parker	Moderator: Jane Deans	Moderator: Sue Falkingham
	11:40 – 12:10 **Leading differently: neurodiversity and leadership in Healthcare Science** Dr Vicki Heath Chief Healthcare Science Officer Health, Care and Prevention Group Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government	**11:40 – 12:10** **PPPD Beyond the criteria. What vestibular clinicians need to know before applying the label** Mrs Amy Lennox-Bowley Founder/Specialist Audiologist Hypatia Specialist Clinics	**11:40 – 12:10** **Transforming Audiology Administration Through Robotic Process Automation (RPA)** Rebecca Carpenter Head of Audiology, Principal Clinical Scientist Aneurin Bevan University Health Board **Danalogic GN**	**11:40 – 12:10** **Using REM beyond target match** Mr Robert McLeod Senior Clinical Specialist Otometrics a division of Natus Sensory
12:10 – 12:40	**12:10 – 12:40** **Equity in clinical hearing outcomes across sociodemographics - ECHOS** Miss Fahima Khatun Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement Lead	**12:10 – 12:40** **Audiology-first balance pathway: A Trust-wide transformation** Mr Benjamin Adams Clinical and Operational Head of Service	**12:10 – 12:40** **Sound, Identity, and Connection: Teens with Hearing Aids** Dr Ryan McCreery PhD Vice President of Research & Director, Audibility,	**12:10 – 12:40** **OAEs in adults – what are they good for?** Jason Smalley Head of Audiology Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

	NIHR UCLH BRC Hearing Health Theme Dr Liam Barrett Research Fellow in Artificial Intelligence University College London	Withington & Wythenshawe hospitals, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust	Perception and Cognition Laboratory & Director of the Center for Audiology Boys Town National Research Hospital **Oticon**	
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13:40 – 14:10	**British Academy of Audiology Annual General Meeting** BAA Members Only			
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14:15 – 14:45	**14:15 – 14:45** ***Computer hears no: Blind spots in human-machine and human-human communication*** Dr Jan-Willem Wasmann Medical Physicist Audiologist President, Computational Audiology Network Radboud University Medical Centre, The Netherlands	**14:15 - 14:45** **Putting the fun back into paediatrics** Dr Ruth Vickerstaff Clinical Lead for Audiology (Adult and Paediatric) Barts Health NHS Trust	**14:15 – 14:45** **Lost in translation: Bridging Communication Gaps in Hearing care** Professor Gabrielle Saunders Professor of Audiology at The University of Manchester **Specsavers**	**14:15 – 14:45** **Translating auditory training evidence into practice: Are we nearly there yet?** Dr Helen Henshaw Principal Research Fellow NIHR Nottingham Biomedical Research Centre, University of Nottingham
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15:15 – 15:30	**15:15 – 15:45** **NHS Audiology in England** Dr Michelle Foster National Specialty Advisor for Hearing, NHS England BAA Board Director	**15:15 – 15:30** **Evaluating the clinical and resource impact of targeted surveillance in the newborn hearing screening pathway: evidence to inform pathway change** Hannah Garnett National Lead, NHS Newborn Hearing Screening Programme NHS England	**15:15 – 15:45** **Fit for Purpose: NAL NL3** Mr Simon Howe Clinical Scientist South Tyneside & Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust. **Otometrics a division of Natus Sensory**	
15:30 – 15:45		**15:30 – 15:45** **Developing Microtia and Me: a person-based approach to creating information resources for young people with microtia and their families** Saira Hussain Associate Professorial Teaching Fellow Aston University		
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09:50 – 10:05	**09:50 – 10:20** **Does audiological support increase benefit and use for new adult NHS hearing aid users: preliminary findings from FAMOUS, a national cluster randomised controlled trial** Professor Kevin J Munro Ewing Professor of Audiology Manchester Centre for Audiology and Deafness, University of Manchester	**09:50 – 10:05** **Objective hearing threshold estimation in children using the Sofi Rapid-CAEP System: agreement with Pure-Tone Audiometry and test–retest reliability** Ahmet Alperen Akbulut Audiology and Speech Disorders PhD Program, Institute of Health Sciences, Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey	**09:50 – 10:20** **Check yourself before you RECD yourself (2.0)** Mr Robert McLeod Senior Clinical Specialist **Otometrics a division of Natus Sensory**	
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	Adrian Davis Lecture: **Auditory wellness – a 21st century approach to working with older adults** Barbara E. Weinstein, Ph.D. Professor of Audiology, Founding Executive Officer, Graduate Centre, CUNY			

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	11:55 – 12:25 **A survey of UK audiologists' experiences of IQIPS** Dr Hannah Cooper Associate Professor and paediatric audiologist UCL Ear Institute and Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust	**11:55 – 12:25** **Mindfulness for Tinnitus** Debbie Cane MSC CS Senior Clinical Scientist, Lecturer and Mindfulness teacher University of Manchester	**11:55 – 12:25** **You Only Know What You Know!** Jack Bennett National Sales Manager Diatec Diagnostics	**11:55 – 12:25** **Earmoulds and coupling** Sue Falkingham Audiologist The Skipton Audiologist
12:25 – 12:55	**12:25 – 12:55** **Welsh Quality Strategy** Jane Wild Consultant Clinical Scientist and Head of Adult Audiology Service Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (BCUHB)	**12:25 – 12:55** **Tinnitus & depression in childhood – what risk factors lead to tinnitus as an experience in adulthood** Nadia Donald Teaching Associate Aston University	**12:25 – 12:55** **Making mistakes and bringing your relationships to work.** Rebecca Cleaver Category Manager and Audiologist **Specsavers**	**12:25 – 12:55** **Transforming the narrative on hearing loss and dementia** Professor Kevin J Munro Ewing Professor of Audiology Manchester Centre for Audiology and Deafness, University of Manchester
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14:40 – 15:25	**Keynote Lecture:** **Recruitment or Hyperacusis? Two mechanisms, two management paths** Mini Gupta, Director & Senior Clinician, Specialist Audiologist: Tinnitus & Sound Sensitivity All Ears Hearing & Tinnitus Clinic, Melbourne, Australia			
15:25 – 15:30	**Closing message** **Dr Saima Rajasingam** President British Academy of Audiology			

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