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## **Spondyloarthritis Golden Anniversary Meeting**

Celebration dinner on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025 & 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025  
The Queen's Hotel, Leeds

Please could you confirm your attendance in advance by email.

### **Programme**

Chairs: Prof Philip Helliwell & Prof Jon Packham

#### **Celebration dinner and discussions - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 7.00pm to 10.00pm**

<i>Welcome and Historical overview</i>	<i>Prof Philip Helliwell &amp; Prof Jon Packham</i>
<i>How concepts of pathophysiology have changed over the last 50 years</i>	<i>Iain McInnes</i>

#### **Spondyloarthritis Golden Anniversary Meeting - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Arrival and refreshments</b>	
8.45am	<i>Welcome and Introduction</i>	<i>Philip Helliwell &amp; Helena Marzo-Ortega</i>
9.00am	<i>Classification criteria: evolution and impact</i>	<i>Philip Helliwell</i>
9.30am	<i>The enthesitis and MHCopathy concepts</i>	<i>D McGonagle</i>
10.00am	<i>Historical overview of animal models and how they have changed our view of spondyloarthritis</i>	<i>Dirk Elewaut</i>
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Refreshment Break</b>	
10.45am	<i>From HLA-B27 to polygenic risk – the genetics of spondyloarthritis</i>	<i>Matt Brown</i>
11.15am	<i>History of imaging and development of new modalities in axial and peripheral disease</i>	<i>Alex Bennett</i>
11.45am	<i>Axial involvement in spondyloarthritis – is it uniform or heterogeneous?</i>	<i>Helena Marzo-Ortega</i>
<b>12.15pm</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	
1.00pm	<i>The importance of the skin as an impact and treatment domain</i>	<i>Catherine Smith</i>
1.30pm	<i>The evolution of treatment strategies over the last 50 years</i>	<i>Laura Coates</i>
2.00pm	<i>New and existing treatments – which to use, when</i>	<i>Stefan Siebert</i>
2.30pm	<i>The future – HIPPOCRATES and ELIPSS</i>	<i>Oliver FitzGerald</i>
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Summary and meeting close</b>	<i>Philip Helliwell &amp; Jon Packham</i>

We have applied for accreditation from the Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom for 5 CPD credit(s). We will provide certificates of attendance.

Pharmaceutical companies have provided funding at this event but has not influenced the speakers or agenda in any way and will be exhibiting at this event.