

**Faculty**  
**MSc in Skin Ageing and Aesthetic Medicine**  
**The Greater Manchester Dermatology Centre**  
**University of Manchester**

**Academic Lead**

**Professor Christopher Griffiths MD FRCP FMedSci**



Chris Griffiths gained a 1st Class Hons BSc in Anatomy and qualified in Medicine from St Thomas' Hospital Medical School, London University. He trained in Dermatology at St Mary's Hospital, London, and at the University of Michigan, USA. He was appointed to the Foundation Chair in Dermatology at the University of Manchester in 1994 and is an honorary consultant dermatologist at Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust. Professor Griffiths developed the 'hub-and-spoke' model of dermatology services for Greater Manchester, and introduced a multidisciplinary clinic for severe psoriasis – the Manchester Psoriasis Service – awarded Hospital Doctor Dermatology Team of the Year in 2002. At the University of Manchester he has served variously as: Head of Medicine and Neuroscience; Head of the School of Translational Medicine; Research Dean and; Director of the Manchester Academic Health Science Centre.

Professor Griffiths' named lectureships include: Sydney Watson Smith (2006); Parkes Weber (2007); Von Zumbusch, Munich (2008) and; Hellerstrom, Stockholm (2010). The Times of London named him as one of the UK's Top 200 doctors in 2010. In 2011 he was appointed as an NIHR Senior Investigator and elected to Fellowship of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

Professor Griffiths has been President of: the British Association of Dermatologists ;European Dermatology Forum and British Society for

Investigative Dermatology. He has published 470 Pubmed cited articles in scientific journals with an H-Index of 73 and is senior editor of Rook's Textbook of Dermatology. Professor Griffiths has long-standing research interests in all aspects of psoriasis including immunological mechanisms, immunotherapy, pharmacogenomics, and the 'brain-skin axis'.

**Clinical Programme Director  
Unit Lead Injectables, Research and Governance**



**Dr Tamara Griffiths  
Consultant Dermatologist and honorary lecturer**

Dr Tamara Griffiths is a consultant dermatologist at the Greater Manchester Dermatology Centre based at Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust. The centre is one of the largest departments of dermatology in the UK. Trained at the world-leading University of Michigan Department of Dermatology, and Fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology as well as on the UK Dermatology Specialist Register, she has a global view on dermatology service both in the public and private sector.

She has led the cosmetic dermatology agenda in the UK as founding member and past-President of the British Cosmetic Dermatology Group, representing the British Association of Dermatologists on numerous national and international advisory bodies including the Royal College of Surgeons Interspeciality Group, British Standards Industry, the Committee for European Standardisation (CEN), National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE), Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), and the Review of Cosmetic Interventions led by Sir Bruce Keogh. She is Honorary Lecturer at the University of Manchester Medical School and clinical lead of the Skin Ageing and Aesthetic

Medicine section within the School of Inflammation and Repair, and a recognised key opinion leader on evidence-based aesthetic practice. She has been National and Principal Investigator on many phase II and III clinical trials with publication in high-impact peer-reviewed journals, and is an in-demand speaker for plenary lectureships at scientific symposia internationally.

Dr Griffiths is a leading educationalist as the North Western Deanery Dermatology Training Programme Director (largest programme outside of London) and is Vice-Chairman of the Royal College of Physician's Dermatology Specialist Advisory Committee which oversees curriculum development and delivery of dermatology training throughout the UK. She is co-director to the University of Manchester Ageing Skin and Aesthetic Dermatology MSc programme.

She interacts frequently with print and broadcast media on behalf of the British Association of Dermatologists and British Skin Foundation (the research charity to which she is Trustee) including appearances on BBC's Horizon Programme, BBC science news channel Click, and was voted as one of Britain's top dermatologists by Tatler Magazine.

**Educational Programme Director  
Unit Lead: Reflective Portfolio**



**Dr Mini Singh  
Consultant Dermatologist and Honorary Lecturer**

Dr Mini Singh obtained her undergraduate degrees at the University of Edinburgh Medical School (MBChB and BSc Hons) before working in London and Leeds during her junior medical training.

She completed her dermatology residency at the Greater Manchester Dermatology Centre moving to an NHS consultant appointment and honorary lectureship with the University of Manchester Medical School in 2009.

Her interest within education covers the spectrum from undergraduate to senior postgraduate training. She has completed the University College of London Diploma in Medical Education with Distinction.

Dr Singh has a particular interest in curriculum development having reintroduced core teaching in subspecialty medicine for Manchester Medical School. She also represents undergraduate dermatology nationally as a committee member of the British Association of Dermatologists (BAD) Teachers of Dermatology. Prior to this, she was a founding committee member for the highly successful DermSchool Course at the Annual BAD meeting.

Within her postgraduate role, she is the Director of the International Fellowship Programme in Dermatology at the Greater Manchester Dermatology Centre and has developed the nationally competitive Career Placement Programme for junior doctors interested in a career in dermatology. She is an active member of the Specialty Training Programme for Dermatology in the North Western Deanery.

**Unit Lead: Fundamentals of skin ageing, Research and Governance**



**Dr Rachel Watson**  
**Senior non-clinical lecturer, Centre for Dermatology,**  
**Institute of Inflammation & Repair,**

Faculty of Medical & Human Sciences,  
The University of Manchester

BSc (Hons) Anatomy & Cell Biology, 1992; PhD Biomedical Sciences, 1997

Dr Watson graduated from the University of Sheffield with a BSc (Hons) in Anatomy & Cell Biology in 1992. She continued on at Sheffield under the supervision of Professor Carl Pearson for her PhD, which investigated the utility of the cell line Ntera2 for modelling neurodegenerative diseases. In 1994, she moved to the University of Manchester to take up a research position in the

Wellcome Trust Centre for Cell-Matrix Research; during this period, she completed the writing of her PhD (which was awarded by the University of Sheffield in 1997). In 2000, Rachel moved into the NHS as a Clinical Scientist, working alongside Professor Christopher Griffiths at Salford Royal Foundation Trust. In 2009, she was appointed to her current position at the University of Manchester.

Rachel's research focuses on understanding human ageing, with particular reference to skin. The ageing process can be divided broadly into two categories: that which occurs as a consequence of time (intrinsic ageing) and that which is the result of an individual's interactions with their environment (extrinsic ageing). The major environmental factor which impacts upon skin is long-term sun exposure (ultraviolet radiation, UVR), although other stimuli also exert effects (sun-bed use, smoking, atmospheric pollutants etc). In addition to examining the mechanisms underlying skin ageing, Rachel also has an interest in understanding remodelling and repair of human skin occurs once damaged. This includes understanding how drugs, such as retinoids, interact with the skin to promote repair, dietary protection against UVR-mediated damage and performing 'proof of principle' in vivo clinical studies on emerging therapies. She is supported by a wide range of funders including the MRC, BBSRC, Wellcome Trust and commercial companies.

### **Unit Lead Skin rejuvenation**



### **Dr Stephanie Ogden Consultant Dermatologist and Honorary Senior Lecturer**

Dr Stephanie Ogden is a Consultant Dermatologist at Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust and Honorary Senior Lecturer at the University of Manchester. She graduated from the University of Leeds with honours in 2001. She developed an interest in skin ageing as an undergraduate and has maintained her interest

since performing both basic science studies and assisting in clinical trials as a research physician. She was awarded a Medical Research Council Research Training Fellowship in 2009 to study the effects of age on epidermal Langerhans' cell function. She was awarded a PhD in 2012 and has presented her work nationally and internationally. She has authored both book chapters and original articles in the field of skin ageing.

**Unit Lead: Lasers**



**Dr Vishal Madan**

**Consultant Dermatologist, Laser and Dermatological Surgeon**

Dr Vishal Madan, MBBS (Hons), MD, FRCP is a Consultant dermatologist, Laser and Dermatological surgeon at the Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust. Originally from India, he trained in medicine and dermatology in Jabalpur, India. After completing the prestigious Addenbrooke's Cambridge medical rotation in 2004, he undertook his specialist training in Dermatology in Manchester. He has completed two fellowships- 12 months in Laser Dermatology at the Salford Royal NHS Foundation trust and a second fellowship in Mohs micrographic (Skin cancer) and reconstructive skin surgery at the Welsh Institute of Dermatology, University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff.

He is the secretary for the British Cosmetic Dermatology Group and on the executive committee for the British Medical Laser Association.

Dr Madan has published 100 scientific articles, authored 10 book chapters and edited a book on specialty examination in Dermatology and another on skin cancer. He has been an invited reviewer for 11 international journals and has 60 scientific presentations. Dr Madan runs a laser course at the Salford Royal NHS Trust.

**Unit Lead: Invasive Aesthetic Surgery**



**Mr Gary Ross**

**Consultant Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeon and Honorary Senior Lecturer University of Manchester**

Having qualified in medicine at the University of Bristol he underwent a basic surgical training in Australia, Bristol and Plymouth before beginning a career in plastic surgery in 1997. Following experience in the plastic surgery units of Plymouth and Bristol he spent two years in the Canniesburn Plastic Surgery Unit, Glasgow as a head and neck fellow completing a higher doctorate (MD) in head and neck surgery.

Following this he completed his speciality plastic surgery training programme in the North West leading to a further qualification from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (FRCS plast) and subsequently the Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT). His fellowships have included the mentor international aesthetic surgery fellowship (King Edward V11 Hospital, Harley Street, London), the North West Aesthetic Fellowship (Chester, Liverpool, Manchester) and a 1 year North American plastic surgery fellowship in Toronto (Canada) in head and neck and breast surgery.

In 2007 Mr Ross took up a consultant post in the NHS in 2007 and having retired from the NHS in 2013 now provides plastic, reconstructive and aesthetic treatments from his private practice based at the BMI Alexandra in Cheadle.

Mr Ross is a full member of the British Association of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeons (BAPRAS), British Association of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons (BAAPS), Association of Breast Surgeons (ABS), British Association of Head and Neck Oncologists (BAHNO), General Medical Council (GMC) Specialist Register for Plastic Surgery and has a Certification of Completion of Training (CCT) Plastic Surgery. He has served on the council of BAHNO for three years and has been the breast speciality lead for BAPRAS for the last two years. He is on the medical

advisory committee for the BMI Alexandra and is currently the plastic surgery representative on the national BMI consultant reference group. He is a global council member of Johnson and Johnson.

Mr Ross is an Honorary Senior Lecturer University of Manchester and is dedicated to teaching, training and mentorship. He is currently a mentor for BAAPS and currently provides anatomical cadaveric workshops for aesthetic training. He has published extensively both nationally and internationally comprising over 50 peer reviewed articles and several book chapters. He has travelled extensively worldwide presenting over 200 times and has been a key note lecturer, moderator and course organiser for a number of international conferences and instructional courses. He is actively involved in teaching both undergraduate Medical Students and postgraduate Plastic Surgical Trainees through his role as honorary senior clinical lecturer.