

BOAS Annual Scientific Meeting 2026

Radcliffe Conference Centre, University of Warwick

1st & 2nd October 2026

Coventry, UK

Day 1 – Thursday 1st October 2026

08:30 - 09:00	Registration & Coffee		
09:00 - 09:15	Opening Remarks	Welcome address from the BOAS President	Dr Andrew Presland
09:15 - 10:00	Keynote Lecture	Advances in Ophthalmic Anaesthesia: Current Trends	Speaker TBA
10:00 – 10:45	Session 1	Paediatric Ophthalmic Anaesthesia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Practices in Paediatric Anaesthesia • Managing Challenging Cases • Panel Discussion 	Dr Rati Danha & Dr Chandra Vaidyanath
10:45 – 11:15	Morning Break	Tea, coffee, posters and networking opportunity	
11:15 – 12:30	Session 2	Regional Techniques in Ophthalmic Anaesthesia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peribulbar vs. Sub-Tenon Blocks • Ultrasound Guidance in Ophthalmic Blocks • Can we resurrect the Retrobulbar block with Ultrasound guidance? • Interactive Q&A and panel discussion 	Dr Zahid Kazmi
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	Buffet Lunch & Exhibition Viewing	
13:30 – 14:15	Session 3	Complications and Safety in Ophthalmic Anaesthesia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognising & Managing Anaesthetic Complications • Best Practice Guidelines 	Dr Santhana Kannan
14:15 – 15:00	Session 4	Dementia and Learning Difficulties <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case disussions • Pre-op pathways 	Dr Senthil Vijayan
15:00 – 15:30	Afternoon Break	Tea, coffee, posters and networking opportunity	
15:30 – 16:00	Session 5	Innovations in Ophthalmic Surgery and Anaesthesia New Technologies and Approaches the Canadian Perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simulation in Ophthalmic Anaesthesia • Collaborative Care Models 	Professor Guillermo Rocha
16:00 – 17:00	Closing Session & Awards	Summary of the day's highlights, poster awards, and closing remarks	
17:00	Networking Reception	Drinks and light refreshments. Opportunity to network with peers and speakers	
18:00	Dinner	Radcliffe Conference Centre	

Day 2 – Friday 2 October 2026

08:30 - 09:00	Registration & Coffee		
09:00 - 09:20	Opening Remarks	Welcome address from the BOAS President	Dr Andrew Presland
09:20 - 10:05	Plenary Lecture	The Future of Ophthalmic Anaesthesia: Integrating Technology & Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human factors in anaesthesia • Improving consistency in block delivery 	Professor Cyprian Mendonca
10:05 – 11:00	Session 6	Global Ophthalmic Anaesthesia Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anaesthetic challenges in low-resource settings • Innovations in cataract camp anaesthesia • International training updates 	Mr Mrinal Rana & Dr Radhakrishna
11:00 – 11:30	Morning Break	Tea, coffee, posters and networking opportunity	
11:30 – 12:30	Session 7	Case-Based Masterclass - Interactive session featuring real-world scenarios: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing unexpected globe perforation • High-anxiety patients: sedation or reassurance? • Local anaesthetic toxicity: prevention & response 	TBC
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	Buffet Lunch & Exhibition Viewing	
13:30 – 14:30	Workshops (Choose One)	<p><u>Workshop A</u>: Sub-Tenon and Peri-Bulbar Blocks Simulation models</p> <p><u>Workshop B</u>: Advanced Ultrasound Techniques for Blocks Hands-on probes, imaging optimisation, needle tracking</p> <p><u>Workshop C</u>: Crisis Simulation in Ophthalmic Anaesthesia High-fidelity simulation of perioperative emergencies. Airway workshop</p> <p><u>Workshop D</u>: Sedation and communication Managing expectations, pre op clinics and pathways, consent clarity, anxiety reduction</p>	BOAS Faculty
14:30 – 15:00	Afternoon Break	Tea, coffee, posters and networking opportunity	
15:00 – 15:45	Session 8	Research Presentations - Top-scored abstracts from BOAS submissions	
15:45 – 16:15	BOAS Annual Business Meeting	Open to all members	BOAS Council
16:15 – 16:30	Closing Remarks	Thank-you from BOAS leadership, announcement of next year's venue, and farewell	Dr Andrew Presland