

# Anatomical Society Summer Meeting 2026

Time	Session / Title	Type	Speaker(s)	Chair	Location	Notes
<b>Wednesday 15 July 2026</b>						
10:00–12:00	Registration & workshops	Registration / Workshops	Registration – Lucy Hyde and Jo Tomlinson		Veterinary Dissection Room – Natalia and Rebecca	
<b>Session A 12:00–13:30 · LT1</b>						
12:00–12:15	Welcome and housekeeping		<b>Head of Anatomy</b>	Rebecca Shepherd	LT1	10 mins
12:15–12:30	Tribute to Prof Harold Ellis		<b>Prof. Ceri Davies</b>	Rebecca Shepherd	LT1	5 mins
12:30–13:00	Population-based spine testing using a six-axis bioreactor	Invited Speaker	<b>Dr Timothy Holsgrove</b>	Russ Peters / Jo Tomlinson	LT1	25+5 mins
13:00–13:15	Structural capacity, not mechanical demand, dominates regional fracture vulnerability in the human mandible: a patient-specific finite element study	Talk	Răzvan Costin Tudose	Russ Peters / Jo Tomlinson	LT1	10+5 mins
13:15 – 13:30	Can Stable Cervical Bony Morphometry Support First-Line Screening of Cervical Canal Stenosis Compared with MRI Measures in MRI-Limited and Resource-Limited Settings?	Talk	Dr Ikenna Ikele	Russ Peters / Jo Tomlinson	LT1	10+5 mins
13:30–13:45	Erector spinae muscle fibre size estimation using high-density surface electromyography in people with and without non-specific chronic low back pain	Talk	Shilpa Purushotham	Russ Peters / Jo Tomlinson	LT1	10+5 mins
13:45–15:00	Coffee / Tea / Posters Session A	Break	14:30 – Tour of Comparative Anatomy Museum (Lucy Hyde)		Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	Sponsor stands
<b>Session B 15:00–16:30 · LT1</b>						
15:00–15:30	SKOR1 inhibition as a therapeutic approach to prevent a-synuclein-induced degeneration in models of Parkinson's disease	Sophie Miller Prize	<b>Ms Lauren Barrett</b>	Rebecca Shepherd / Christopher Smith	LT1	25+5mins

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15:30–15:45	<b>Architectural and functional Adaptations to eccentric Training in human adolescent Volleyball Players: a randomized controlled Trial</b>	Talk	Seda Gözener Canbülbul	Rebecca Shepherd / Christopher Smith	LT1	10+5 mins
15:45–16:00	<b>Investigating the expression patterns of intermediate filament proteins in mice to uncover the differential vulnerability of striated muscles in laminopathies and desminopathies</b>	Talk	Dr Emad I H Shaqoura	Rebecca Shepherd / Christopher Smith	LT1	10+5 mins
16:00–16:15	<b>Mapping the Bony Landmarks of the Cavernous Sinus – A Morphometric Study on Human Skulls</b>	Talk	Cezar Octavian Morosanu	Rebecca Shepherd / Christopher Smith	LT1	10+5 mins
16:15–16:30	Sponsor Talk	Sponsor Talk	Primal Pictures	Rebecca Shepherd / Christopher Smith	LT1	10+5 mins
16:30–18:30	<i>Drinks reception / Poster session A</i>	Social	Anatomical Society Council to judge posters		Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	<i>Sponsor stands</i>
From 19:00	<i>ECR Social — The White Bear</i>	Social	Christopher Smith, Lucy Steward, Albi Carson, Khadijah Awaisi		The White Bear	

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<b>Session C</b> 09:00–10:00 · LT1						
09:00–09:30	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	<b>Dr Katrina Jones</b>	Natalia Trepp Centellas / Khadijah Awaisi	LT1	25+5mins
09:30–09:45	<b>Mandible function across the vertebrate water-to-land transition is underpinned by unossified tissues</b>	Talk	Hady George	Natalia Trepp Centellas / Khadijah Awaisi	LT1	10+5 mins
09:45–10:00	<b>Anatomical Determinants of Head Centre of Mass in Homo sapiens and Pan troglodytes</b>	Talk	Kira L. Crabtree	Natalia Trepp Centellas / Khadijah Awaisi	LT1	10+5 mins
10:00–10:30	<i>Coffee / Tea / Posters</i>	Break			Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	
<b>Session D</b> 10:30–12:00 · LT1						
10:30–11:00	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	<b>Dr Charlotte Miller</b>	Katrina Jones / Katie Shine	LT1	25+5mins
11:00–11:15	<b>Darkest just before dawn: the role of the calcified cartilage in osteoarthritis</b>	ADRA Talk	Juliette Hughes	Katrina Jones / Katie Shine	LT1	10+5 mins
11:15–11:30	<b>Integrating Histology and Transcriptomics to Understand Human Skeletal Muscle Ageing Across the Lifecourse: From GTEx to Spatial Transcriptomics</b>	Talk	Nessrin Almaghtuf	Katrina Jones / Katie Shine	LT1	10+5 mins
11:30–11:45	<b>Reassessing the Flexor Digitorum Profundus enthesis in Jersey Finger: does dissection technique alter our anatomical understanding of tendon–bone attachment?</b>	Talk	Ashley Benghe	Katrina Jones / Katie Shine	LT1	10+5 mins
11:45–12:00	<b>Mapping nerve entry points into the cervical portion of the human semispinalis capitis muscle for enhanced clinical precision</b>	Talk	<i>Seda Gözener Canbülül</i>	Katrina Jones / Katie Shine	LT1	10+5 mins
12:00–14:00	<i>Lunch &amp; Posters</i>	Lunch	13:30 - Tour of Comparative Anatomy Museum (Natalia Trepp Centellas)		Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	<i>AGM optional — in LT1</i>
<b>Session E</b> 14:00–15:15 · LT1						

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14:00–14:30	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	<b>Prof Chrissy Hammond</b>	Jeremy Mortimer / Michelle Spear	LT1	
14:30–14:45	<b>Medial bias in Achilles tendon morphology in healthy young individuals: application of a validated ultrasound protocol</b>	Talk	Natasha Noel-Barker	Jeremy Mortimer / Michelle Spear	LT1	10+5 mins
14:45–15:00	<b>The talus bones with different types of calcaneal articular facets differ in their sizes</b>	Talk	Radik Khayrullin	Jeremy Mortimer / Michelle Spear	LT1	10+5 mins
15:00–15:15	Sponsor Talk	Sponsor Talk	Anatomage	Jeremy Mortimer / Michelle Spear	LT1	10+5 mins
15:15–15:45	<i>Coffee / Tea / Posters</i>	Break			Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	
<b>Session F</b> 15:45–17:00 · LT1						
15:45–16:00	<b>Shape Variation and Covariation Between the Calvarial Sutures and the Viscerocranium in Normocephalic and Craniosynostotic Human Skulls</b>	Talk	Miss Emily Baxter	Rocky Cheung / Lucy Hyde	LT1	10+5 mins
16:00–16:15	<b>Selenium and Magnesium Functionalised Scaffolds for Dual Bone Regeneration and Anti-Cancer Therapy</b>	Talk	Eavan Pakenham	Rocky Cheung / Lucy Hyde	LT1	10+5 mins
16:15–16:45	<b>Anatomical Society Prize</b>	Anatomical Society Prize Speaker	<b>Prof John Morris</b>	Rocky Cheung / Lucy Hyde	LT1	25+5mins
16.45–18:30	<i>Poster session B</i>	Posters	Anatomical Society Council to judge posters		Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	
19:00	<i>Gala dinner</i>	Social			Riverstation	

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<b>Friday 17 July 2026</b>						
<b>Session G</b> 09:00–10:15 · LT1						
09:00–09:30	<b>Locomotion on two, three and four legs: the comparative anatomy of movement.</b>	Invited Speaker	<b>Dr Zoe Davies</b>	Charlotte Miller / Katie Shine	LT1	25+5mins
09:30–09:45	<b>Breaking the mammalian ‘rule of seven’ is associated with first rib repatterning in Xenarthra</b>	Talk	Elizabeth Webb	Charlotte Miller /	LT1	10+5 mins

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09:45–10:00	<b>Distinctive modulation of chewing dynamics in rabbits</b>	Talk	Roger W. P. Kissane	Lucy Steward Charlotte Miller / Lucy Steward	LT1	10+5 mins
10:00–10:15	<b>What makes a hypermobile mandible? The development of the intramandibular hinge in snakes</b>	Talk	Maricci Basa	Charlotte Miller / Lucy Steward	LT1	10+5 mins
10:15–10:30	Sponsor Talk	Sponsor Talk	3D Organon	Charlotte Miller / Lucy Steward	LT1	10+5 mins
10:15–11:00	<b>Coffee / Tea / Posters B</b>	Break	10:30 - Tour of Comparative Anatomy Museum (Katie Shine)		Foyer, LT2, Student Common Room	
<b>Session H</b> 11:00–12:00 · LT1						
11:00–11:30	<b>Osteopetrosis in the cat</b>	Invited Speaker	<b>Prof Sorrell Langley-Hobbs</b>	Rebecca Shepherd / Albi Carson	LT1	25+5mins
11:30–12:00	<b>Prizes &amp; closing remarks</b>	Closing	<b>Anatomical Society Council</b>		LT1	30mins