

**Programme 3 – Hepatology – based at King’s College Hospital**

Reference: 2122/KCL/03

Individual Placement Descriptor (IPD) for the four month academic placement

Separate IPDs for clinical placements are available on foundation school websites

<p><b>Type of programme</b></p> <p>Within the Institute of Liver Studies we will be offering a choice of research projects which the academic foundation year can choose from, encompassing immunomonitoring and development of novel immunosuppressive strategies in liver transplantation, immunopathogenesis of autoimmune liver diseases and alcohol-related liver disease, gut microbiota and innate immune dysfunction in the context of acute and chronic liver disease.</p>	
<p><b>Employing trust:</b></p> <p>King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust</p>	<p><b>Academic placement based at:</b></p> <p>King’s College Hospital</p>
<p><b>Brief outline of department</b></p> <p>The Institute of Liver Studies mission is to produce research that impacts directly on patient care by perfecting surgical techniques and supportive management of the failing liver and elucidating mechanisms of liver damage to develop specific and more efficient modes of treatment.</p>	
<p><b>Structure of academic project/what expected</b></p> <p>The academic foundation year allocated to this programme will perform translational laboratory research (from bedside to bench or vice versa) on a project within our research portfolio which will be tailored to the interests and skills of the Academic Foundation Year Trainee.</p>	
<p><b>Clinical commitments during academic placement</b></p> <p>Friday morning complex hepatology clinic with Professor Shawcross or a clinic of the trainee’s choosing relevant to their research area.</p>	
<p><b>Departmental academic teaching programme (if applicable)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weekly Wednesday morning hepatology teaching from 8.00 – 9.00am.</li> <li>• Participation in the Liver Sciences and the Dept. of Inflammation Biology, School of Immunology and Microbial Sciences Academic Programme Activities including academic seminars and postgraduate student activities.</li> <li>• Opportunity to attend national (British Society of Gastroenterology and British Association for The Study of the Liver) and international liver conferences (EASL/AASLD) to complete postgraduate course and/or present research data in abstract form as appropriate.</li> </ul>	
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