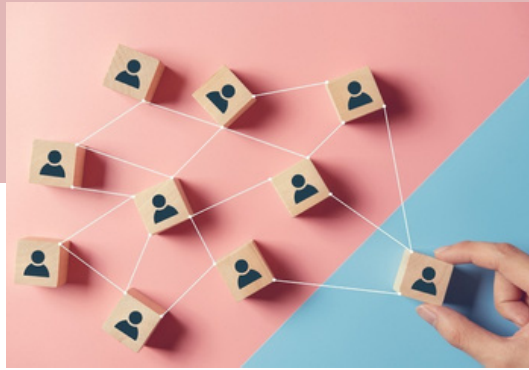


NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the BSSVD Newsletter for January 2023. It aims to keep you up to date with the various projects being undertaken at the moment. We hope you find it informative!

BSSVD ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING 2023

The next BSSVD Annual Scientific Meeting is being held at the Crowne Plaza in Nottingham on Thursday 9th & Friday 10th March 2023. The meeting will cover a wide variety of topics relevant to specialists treating patients with vulval disorders.

Early bird registrations are open until 9th February. If you wish to submit an abstract, these are required by 19th January.

For further information or to register, please click the link below:

[REGISTER](#)



FUTURE BSSVD MEETINGS

We are looking for volunteers to host the BSSVD Annual Scientific Meeting 2024. Most of the operational and promotional work is carried out by our events partner EMU Events, who reduce any stress for the organiser by finding and negotiating venues and their contracts, sourcing and arranging sponsors and managing all registrations from sourcing to collecting payments. It is usually the role of the hosts to arrange the scientific programme with support from Council and liaise with speakers. If you are interested, please contact admin@bssvd.org



PRESIDENT'S ESSAY

Congratulations to Dr Kimiya Asjadi from King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust for winning this year's President's Essay "Vulva not Vagina, Why Terminology Matters".

Please read the Essay on the website.

The title for the President's Essay 2023 is: **"Menopause & the vulva, all you need to know"**

Please visit the BSSVD website for further information on how to enter:

[ESSAY](#)

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Please give a warm welcome to our the newest members of the BSSVD Council...

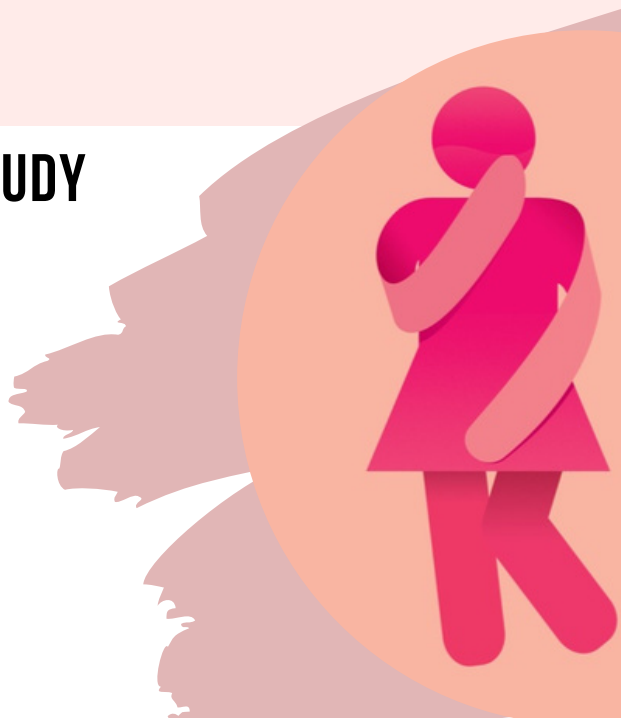
- Dr Archie Krishna - Consultant Gynaecologist
- Dr Jennifer Smith - GPSI Dermatology
- Dr Katie Robinson - Consultant Gynaecologist
- Dr Lisa Kirby - Consultant Dermatologist
- Dr Sarah Schoeman - Consultant in GUM
- Dr Matilda Fox - Junior Doctor

VULVAL CROHN DISEASE TREATMENT STUDY

Naomi Jones, ST5 Dermatology Registrar is currently undertaking a retrospective data collection on the management of patients with Vulval Crohn Disease. We would appreciate any clinicians currently treating patients with this debilitating disease to fill in our proforma.

Responses are required by 27th January 2023.

[PROFORMA](#)



TOPICAL IMIQUIMOD VERSUS SURGERY FOR VULVAR INTRAEPITHELIAL NEOPLASIA: A MULTICENTRE, RANDOMISED, PHASE 3, NON-INFERIORITY TRIAL

Trutnovsky G, Reich O, Joura EA, Holter M, Ciresa-König A, Widschwendter A, Schauer C, Bogner G, Jan Z, Boandl A, Kalteis MS, Regauer S, Tamussino K.

The optimal management of vulvar high-grade squamous intraepithelial lesions (vHSILs) is challenging. Surgery is the standard treatment, but recurrences are observed in half of patients. Medical treatment with imiquimod is an effective alternative, but the two modalities have not been compared in a randomised trial. The aim of this study was to compare the clinical effectiveness, histological response, human papillomavirus (HPV) clearance, acceptance, and psychosexual morbidity of primary imiquimod treatment versus surgical treatment in women with vHSIL.

There are images relating to this topic in the Members Area of the BSSVD website.

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GABAPENTIN GEL - A TOPICAL TREATMENT OPTION FOR VULVODYNIA



This is available nationally. It is held as stock and can be purchased from the sales team by email smpu@wales.nhs.uk or via phone on 02920 748120. Process of procurement - The team can supply any registered pharmacy or practicing doctor with a registered clinic in a hospital or with CQC or Health Inspectorate Wales. An account needs to be set up with the sales department and a signed order for the product emailed to them.

GPs can access this treatment. FP10 prescriptions can be written and taken to a patients local pharmacy and the pharmacy can procure Gabagel from the team. We ask that the tradename Gabagel is prescribed to ensure our product is sourced if this is what is required for the patient. This can be tricky as many high street pharmacies are tied in with special suppliers of their own and so they may ask their supplier to make a similarly formulated product.

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The manufacturer is Ennogen and supply is from Oxford Pharmacy Store. If your hospital stores team can't find the product on their catalogue, then they should contact Caitlin Edwards (caitlin.edwards@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk) and Laura Kidd (laura.kidd@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk) who know all about the product and can facilitate an order separately. You can also get the product from Alcura if your pharmacy has an account with them. Please contact supplies if you have difficulties - neha@ennogen.com.

LIVING WITH VULVAL LICHEN SCLEROSUS: A QUALITATIVE INTERVIEW STUDY

Susanne Arnold, Sheryl Fernando, Sophie Rees

Background: Vulval lichen sclerosus (VLS) is a chronic inflammatory condition predominantly affecting the anogenital skin. Symptoms can be distressing and affect quality of life and everyday activities. Very little research has been undertaken to explore the experience of living with VLS from the perspective of people with the condition.

Objectives: To understand individuals' experiences of VLS and its impact on their lives.

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