

MACP AGM 2025

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Report:	Research
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Overview of Year

Our awards have been very popular this year, cumulating in applications of exceptionally high standard which made it very challenging for the committee to judge. I would like to thank everyone who applied for their time and effort in producing such high-quality submissions, I only wish we could have supported all of the projects.

The awardees are as follows:

Elsevier and Jane Greening Award- Bradley Halliday

Research fund 2- Martin Rabey

Research fund 1 Paul McDonald and Julie Perkins

Conference presentation awards March :Martin Rabey and Karl Baraks

MACP Mentorship survey

Following the results of our research survey last year, where mentorship was highlighted as a priority for our members, we launched a mentorship survey to find people who would have expertise and capacity to support and mentor MACP members in their research aspirations. We had 26 responses. We will shortly be sending a survey to mentees and plan to match mentors and mentees in early 2027.

Nurturing research conference

Following the success of our last conference in 2026, we organised another joint APPN/MACP nurturing research conference on the 25th September. This was run on-line and consisted of keynotes at different stages of their research journey discussing their career pathways including Prof Roger Kerry, DR Lianne Wood and Dr Siobhan Stynes and Paul Nee. Attendees also submitted abstracts and 8 participants presented rapid 5 presentations. We had breakout sessions on developing your research pillar, developing your research/QI project and support with funding.

A big thank you to the nurturing research committee members who joined me : Lianne Wood and Sharon Chan

Thanks also to the research committee: Andrea Ravindra, Martin Rabey, Jaj Mankelow, Will King and Matthew Willett.

Additional Research support

Over the coming year, we will be launching drop-in research clinics for members. These sessions will offer a supportive environment to discuss research ideas, seek advice, and connect with colleagues. The clinics will be supported by members of the Research Committee, the MACP Executive Committee, and other experienced MACP members, and we welcome expressions of interest from members who would like to help facilitate these events.

We are also developing a range of research resources for members in a more contemporary and accessible format. Rather than relying on traditional webinars, we will create a series of short video clips covering a variety of research-related topics. These bite-sized resources will be made available through the website, allowing members to access support and guidance at a time that suits them.

Progress against sub-speciality strategic aims

1. Offer appropriate bursaries to all tiers of MACP membership to support research

We will continue to encourage members to apply for the awards. We have managed to negotiate with Elsevier to increase the amount that they will contribute to the Elsevier/Jane Greening award, so that for 2027 the new award amount will be £13,000.

2. Horizon scan important research priorities for the MACP, and where appropriate commission studies.

We have not highlighted a specific area to commission a study this year. The research committee will continue to assess any priorities in the next year and with discussion with the executive committee consider commissioning as appropriate.

3. Disseminate research through MACP communications channels / wider networks and through close collaboration with the knowledge exchange officer.

We disseminate all our awardees' research on the website. Members can recruit via our website and through social media. We will develop a mentorship database this year and match mentees with mentors.

4. Support and help to develop MACP members in research activities including mentorship for abstract submissions to conferences

We will continue to offer mentorship to members who are submitting abstracts to appropriate upcoming international conferences.

Additionally, awardees of some of the research awards will be asked to mentor future applicants as a condition of their award.

Key Development Plans for 26/27

1. Promote the research awards well in advance of dates
2. Develop mentorship database
3. Run regular research drop-in sessions
4. Develop our short video series.