

MRC Centre for Reproductive Health, The University of Edinburgh Simpson Centre for Reproductive Health, The Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh We are delighted to invite you to Edinburgh in September 2023 for our joint meeting. We plan to ensure that your visit to the capital city of Scotland is memorable, educational and, above all, good fun.



Edinburgh has been a centre for medical teaching, influence, innovation and care for more than 500 years.

https://artsandculture.google.com/story/medicine-in-the-city-university-ofedinburgh/uQXRUMWmY0DKZQ?hl=en



We have chosen **The Scotsman Hotel** (<u>https://scotsmanhotel.co.uk</u>) as our base hotel for the meeting. It is a four-star, luxurious hotel located between the Royal Mile and Princes Street, on the border of Edinburgh's Medieval Old Town and Georgian New Town. It opened in 2001 in the Edwardian Building that housed "The Scotsman" newspaper for nearly a century. Behind the regal façade many original features remain including luxurious floor to ceiling wood panelled rooms, a grandiose marble staircase and stained-glass windows. There is a very handy **back entrance** just over the road from the back entrance to Waverley station for those arriving by train that allows easy access for bus transport.



We've reserved 53 rooms that should be booked before the **6th May 2023** before they are released. There is a range of rooms to suit your needs for bed and breakfast.

32 Reporter Doubles at £280 per night 17 Director Doubles at £315 per night 4 Feature Suites at £345 per night

Guests can book by emailing <u>Revenue@scotsmanshotels.co.uk</u> and quoting UNIV060923 and one of the central reservations team will arrange a call back to take payment.

Our **programme** will start on Wednesday 6th September where we very much hope the golfers will have the opportunity to play a round at Muirfield, which is the home of The Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers. It is located in beautiful Gullane in East Lothian and is one of the courses used in rotation for the Open Championship. For those who do not play golf, there will be a guided walking tour of old Edinburgh available that afternoon. In the evening there will be a welcome reception and then participants are free to sample some of the excellent culinary experiences that Edinburgh has to offer.



The scientific programme takes place in the mornings of Thursday 7th September and Friday 8th September with parallel cultural tours for partners. After a joint lunch with partners on each day there will be joint activities exploring the highlights of Auld Edinburgh. The dinner on the 7th September will be in the Playfair Library at the University of Edinburgh's Old College, regarded as one of Scotland's finest public rooms. The highlight of the meeting is the spectacular Scottish evening we will plan on Friday 8th September at Hopetoun House dating from the 17th Century and regarded as Scotland's finest Stately Home.





Next steps

- Save the date: Wednesday 6th to Friday 8th September 2023
- **Book accommodation** before 6th May 2023. There is no problem if you wish to source alternative accommodation from The Scotsman.
- Look out for email about confirming attendance
- Look out for email about costs and payment schedules
- Get your dancing shoes on

We are really looking forward to hosting you in our beautiful city and making it an extra special meeting to remember.