In Oxford We Do It With Hormones Let's Do It Together

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Introduction

- Endocrinologists do it with hormones, but at Oxford we don't just do it with hormones, we also do it with passion.
- What makes Endocrinology interesting is that it has multi-system effects and requires a multidisciplinary team approach.
- The Oxford Centre for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism OCDEM) stands out in the world of Endocrinology and Diabetes owing to its excellent clinical care and outstanding research achievements.



Undergraduates

• Undergraduate students get to see all the exciting endocrine cases they read about in their textbooks (Figs 1–5). By the end of their placements with us, they are a happy bunch!



Figure 1: Acromegaly (excess growth hormone production)



Figure 2: Hypothyroidism (deficiency of thyroid hormone production)

Postgraduate Trainees

- OCDEM offers excellent postgraduate training opportunities in Endocrinology.
- Career Training (CT) doctors gain unrivalled experience in managing both inpatients and day cases for dynamic endocrine tests.
- They build on presentational skills through our weekly multi-disciplinary team (MDT) meeting.
- CT doctors are also encouraged to do research and to present at the national Endocrine meeting and free placements can be obtained.



Figure 3: Goitre (enlarged thyroid gland) and Exophthalmos (protruding eyes) in Grave's disease (overactive thyroid gland)



Figure 4: Cushing's syndrome (excess steroid hormone production)

- The Oxford Endocrinology and Diabetes Specialist Training (ST)rotation is the most popular one in the country.
- ST doctors gain advanced training in inpatient and outpatient endocrine cases and see patients in a huge variety of speciality clinics.
- They lead presentations at MDT meetings and gain confidence in presentational skills, and work closely with excellent neurosurgery, endocrine surgery and radiology teams.
- They are geared towards research, publications and there are excellent opportunities to present nationally and internationally.

Research Opportunities

- OCDEM offers state-of-the-art equipment to carry out research projects.
- Research fellows get to work with world-renowned Research Teams.
- We have numerous publications from our Department in high impact journals.
- Our research fellows regularly present both nationally and frequently win prizes.



Figure 5: Addison's disease (deficiency of steroid hormone production)

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