

## **UK Fellowship Questionnaire**

Did the Fellowship fulfil the BOFAS criteria Yes

A good quality F&A Fellowship should provide a balance between surgical practice in theatre and of decision-making in outpatients, with at least two clinics and at least three theatre sessions per week. There should be a regular multi-disciplinary team meeting, study leave with both protected time and a budget, a paid session for research or audit and a clear mechanism for feedback.

Please answer these questions in the free text box below.

- 1. Which Year? 2019/2020
- 2. What was the annualised total number in your log book? (ie if 6/12 then double)

200

3. What was the % of cases that you were the lead surgeon for most of the procedure?

75%

4. How many academic publications are you highly likely to submit from your Fellowship (be honest)?

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5. What were the highlights?

Miss Allen is a phenomenal trainer and a fantastic person just to talk with. She has a huge wealth of experience and knowledge but is extremely supportive to the needs of her fellows. I felt so supported throughout the whole time I was there and she is exceptional at building up surgical decision making skills and confidence which is exactly what you need before becoming a day one consultant. Her clinics are busy but this is exactly what is required to get a good exposure to the subject.

I came away feeling confident in complex hindfoot deformity correction, routine forefoot procedures, rheumatoid reconstructions and arthroscopic hindfoot surgery – all of which I have performed since starting as a consultant.

The experience you gain from the fellowship in Leicester will expose fellows to the real generality of foot and ankle surgery. The timetable is flexible to accommodate learning needs and there are plenty of opportunities for research, audit and presentations. The whole team are very friendly and I couldn't have asked for a better fellowship. Department at the very top of their game and each foot and ankle consultant is fantastic at allowing you the opportunity to operate and join their lists/clinics.

It was a fantastic year for me, I loved every minute and will always be appreciative of everything I was taught during my time there.



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