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Position / Function	East of England Regional representative
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Activity Summary	Attended the ASGBI Annual Meeting in Edinburgh 12–14 May 2025 contributing to the anastomosis station in the Training village, and supporting the congress with chairing sessions. Attended the Emergency General Surgery (EGS) Meeting in Birmingham (November 2025), contributing to discussions on consultant-delivered EGS models, laparotomy pathway optimisation, and workforce sustainability. Key learning has been disseminated regionally to support alignment with national priorities. Participated in the Annual Meeting of the American Hernia Society in Nashville, including attendance at a specialist cadaveric abdominal wall reconstruction course, enhancing advanced technical exposure and international best practice exchange. Represented the British Hernia Society (BHS), Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland (ASGBI), and the American Hernia Society (AHS) at the Deep Impact Abdominal Wall Reconstruction (AWR) Meeting in Chennai (March 2025), contributing to cross-continental dialogue on complex abdominal wall reconstruction, mesh strategies, and component separation techniques. These engagements strengthened international collaboration and facilitated bidirectional knowledge exchange benefiting practice within the East of England. Abstracts review for ASGBI and EAES. Reviewed applications for new candidates for the Young Task Force for EAES, and mentoring 2 groups for projects related to human factors in surgery (MISSTEP and IRON Surgeon). Application Review for DEI Grands for the AHS.
Publications / Guidelines	Reviewed updated achalasia guidance from the European Association for Endoscopic Surgery, supporting harmonisation of benign upper GI practice and evidence-based management across regional units.
Significant Events	ASGBI Annual Meeting – Training Village – Anastomosis workshop – 12–14 May 2025 15–16 May 2025 – BHS – MIS groin Hernia Hands on Workshop, Doncaster Regional Surgical Hubs for Foundation Resident doctors 13 February 2025, 9 September 2025.



	AHS Annual Meeting Nashville 3–6 September 2025 + Cadaveric workshop – 7 September – e-TEP, TAR.
Meetings Held	
Key Relationships	European Association of Endoscopic Surgery European Hernia Society British Hernia Society American Hernia Society
Acknowledgements	European Association of Endoscopic Surgery European Hernia Society British Hernia Society American Hernia Society
Aims and Objectives for next period	Continuing to strengthen the relationships and projects in the AHS, EAES Young Task Force, EHS. Contribute as faculty to the Advanced Hernia Techniques workshop at the EHS Annual Meeting in Porto 1–4 June 2026. Contribute as faculty to the AHS – chairing sessions, presentations and as faculty for advanced AWR reconstruction techniques.

