



# BAPO 2019 CONFERENCE

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## CHARLIE MCLAUGHLIN'S RESEARCH FORUM

This year, BAPO have been approached with a great opportunity to support young clinicians becoming involved in clinical practice research which has led to changes to this year's Speakeasy. This session will now run as Charlie McLaughlin's Research Forum. We are looking for a student or recent graduate who has been involved in clinical practice research to present at BAPO Conference 2019 where the winning presenter will receive the Charlie McLaughlin Memorial Award and a prize of £500. This initiative has been made possible by the Charlie McLaughlin Memorial Fund, set up in memory of Charlie who sadly passed away in 2017.

Charlie was a well-respected member of the orthotic profession who's passion and commitment to improving patient's lives shone through. He spent a great deal of his career working in the field of diabetes. He was directly involved in the development of the preventative/protective strategy for classifying and managing at-risk feet with the Blackburn team which is now a worldwide accepted protocol for Screening the Foot in Diabetes. Charlie loved nothing more than sharing his knowledge and driving through high standards of care with students and new graduates.

The money will be awarded in memory of Charlie to an enthusiastic student/recent graduate with a passion for further research in the field of prosthetics and orthotics.

We are inviting current final year students and graduates from the last 3 years to enter submissions by Friday 1st February. Successful shortlisted applicants will then be invited to present at BAPO Conference 2019.

### CRITERIA FOR ENTRY INCLUDE:

- **Research in the field of prosthetics and orthotics**
- **Experimental research only will be considered, no literature reviews**
- **Current final year students or graduates between 2016-2018**

**To enter, please send a 250-300 word abstract to [conference@bapo.com](mailto:conference@bapo.com)**

From all entries 4 people will be shortlisted. Those selected will then have 15 minutes to present their research topic followed by 2 minutes of questions.

**We look forward to receiving your entry and seeing you at BAPO Conference 2019.**