Long ago in 1737 at a local tavern, six Edinburgh medical students who wished to further their knowledge by gathering to share their own medical experiences and research founded the RMS. Upon its creation, a body for dissection was purchased and fortnightly meetings were held to discuss their individual findings. They then agreed to continue this tradition by presenting dissertations from areas of their own medical research. The society was granted its royal charter in 1778, the only students’ medical society in the UK to be awarded the accolade to this day.

Over the years the Society has attracted some of the most famous names in medicine: Cullen, Syme, Simpson, Lister and Darwin as examples. Other past members include Joseph Bell, the man Sir Arthur Conan Doyle based Sherlock Holmes upon. The RMS rooms in Potterow house a computer suite, a medical library, a clinical skills room, a kitchen, and a lounge area, which are all accessible to members 24 hours a day. These are great facilities and tools for studying and relaxing in between classes.

Most Tuesdays the RMS will hold either a talk or tutorial provided by a wide range of medical professionals. Closer to exams, the older members of the RMS will even give specific tutorials to help you pass. There is something for everyone here as the RMS also has many social events throughout the year including the White Coat Pub-Crawl, the Annual Dinner and Burns Supper, which are not to be missed. With the opportunity for travel and study funding awarded to members to do research and electives, RMS membership is invaluable when studying medicine at the University of Edinburgh!

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Syllabus

All meetings at 8pm unless otherwise advertised

13th September
WHITE COAT PUB CRAWL

20th September
FRESHERS’ ADDRESS - Professor Simon Maxwell

27th September
INAUGURAL ADDRESS – Professor Roy Taylor

4th October
SURGICAL SKILLS TUTORIAL

11th October
RMS PUB QUIZ

12th October
INTERCALATION WORKSHOP TUTORIAL

18th October
PLASTERING TUTORIAL

25th October
50 PLUS YEARS OF ALTITUDE RESEARCH - Dr. Jim Milledge

1st November
TRANSLATIONAL TRAINING AND RESEARCH WITH THIEL - Professor Tracey Wilkinson

8th November
PRE-HOSPITAL ACUTE CARE TUTORIAL

12th November
RMS ANNUAL DINNER

15th November
CONCUSSION – THE 21st CENTURY ICEBERG - Dr. Alastair Nicol

Week beginning on 21st November
EXAM TUTORIALS

Winter Holiday

15th January
TRAVEL AND STUDY FUND DEADLINE - Elective

17th January
Dr. Neil Grubb (TITLE TBC)

24th January
RMS BURNS SUPPER

31st January
RMS PUB QUIZ

7th February
VENEPUNCTURE TUTORIAL

14th February
TREATING TB - THEN, NOW, AND THE FUTURE - Dr. Tony Butler

21st February
OSCE TUTORIAL

28th February
IN AND OUT – Dr. Mark Dunn

7th March
LIFE IN PAEDIATRICS – THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY - Dr. Ben Reynolds

14th March
MEDICAL EDUCATION TUTORIAL

19th March
TRAVEL AND STUDY FUND DEADLINE – Other Medical Projects

21st March
“DON’T PANIC!” - THE WITCH CRAZE IN 16th AND 17th CENTURY SCOTLAND - Ms. Christine Short

Spring Holiday

Week beginning on 18th April
EXAM TUTORIALS