

## **Presidential Nomination Manifesto**

### **Professor Allen Goodship**

I have a very long standing association with BORS, from presenting my early research as a PhD student through invited keynote lectures to co-hosting the annual meeting at Stanmore. My research interests are in the pathobiology of the musculoskeletal system, functional adaptation and translational research. I consider that we have a unique Society providing a stimulating platform to encourage young researchers from both clinical and basic science backgrounds with an ethos for taking science from bench to bedside. In addition we maintain awareness of cutting edge developments in science and their application to musculoskeletal pathobiology.

I believe we are well placed to take forward the Society to retain the encouragement and support of young researchers while enhancing the profile of the Society at National and International levels. I fully endorse the consolidation to a single annual meeting and the association for this with other relevant Societies, in particular the Bone Research Society. I also support the Travelling Fellowship Scheme and should like to build on the North American BORS-ORS Travelling Research Fellowships. I believe the strengthening of links with the BOA should be a key activity together with contributing to enhanced political awareness of musculoskeletal disease in general and the key themes addresses in the Bone and Joint Decade research strategy. As we approach the end of the BJD we need to highlight the major advances and prepare a strategic plan to progress this research and its clinical translation for the future.

The Society is well placed to address the issues associated with population demographics and current needs to base research and its outcomes on an evidence basis. I should like to focus on the role of the Society in developing further advances in these key areas.

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