

Please see below for a list of clinicians at Ataxia UK Accredited Ataxia Centres of Excellence which are centres with expertise in the care of people with ataxia and ataxia research. If attending one of these centres is not a feasible option for you, we have created a list of neurologists with an interest in ataxias to help signpost you and/or your doctor to the nearest neurologist with an interest in ataxia. Please speak to your GP or neurologist to discuss whether a referral is appropriate.*

(*All specialists listed are neurologists unless stated otherwise)

(†Leaflets for the Accredited Ataxia Centres are available from the office and include information about ataxia specialist nurses)

List of clinicians at Ataxia UK Accredited Ataxia Centres of Excellence

To read more about these centres click [here](#).

Adult specialists:

Prof Paola Giunti, Dr Michael Parkinson and Dr Rajith de Silva

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

National Hospital for Neurology & Neurosurgery

Queen Square

London WC1N 3BG

Tel: 0203 448 3100

NHS (private if available – please check)

Prof Marios Hadjivassiliou

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

Royal Hallamshire Hospital

Glossop Road

Sheffield S10 2JF

Tel: 0114 271 2502

NHS only

Dr Priya Darshni Shanmugarajah

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

Department of Neurology

Royal Hallamshire Hospital

Glossop Road

Sheffield S10 2JF

Tel: 0114 271 3708

NHS only

Prof Andrea Nemeth (Clinical Geneticist), Prof George Tofaris and Prof Carlo Rinaldi

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

John Radcliffe Hospital

Oxford OX3 9DU

Tel Prof Nemeth: 01865 220624, option 5

Tel Prof Tofaris: 01865 231295

Tel Prof Rinaldi: 01865 272148

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Paediatric specialists:

Prof Paola Giunti at the Accredited Ataxia Centre at the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery has a Paediatric clinic with Dr Shpresa Pula

Referrals to:

Prof Paola Giunti

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

National Hospital for Neurology & Neurosurgery

Queen Square, London WC1N 3BG

Tel: 0203 448 3100

NHS only

Dr Santosh R Mordekar

Consultant Paediatric Neurologist

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust

Ryegate Children's Centre

Tapton Crescent

Sheffield S10 5DD

Tel: 0114 2260675

Fax: 0114 2678296

(Works closely with the adult Sheffield Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence – see above)

NHS only

Dr Martin Smith (Paediatric Neurologist) and Prof Andrea Nemeth (Clinical Geneticist)

Accredited Ataxia Centre of Excellence[†]

Department of Clinical Genetics, Churchill Hospital, Oxford, OX3 7LJ

Tel Dr Smith: 01865 221579

(Prof Nemeth also runs a joint adult ataxia clinic with the neurologist Prof Tofaris – see above)

NHS only

List of clinicians with an interest in ataxia

Dr Shakya Bhattacharjee FRCP(UK)

Consultant Neurologist and Movement disorders

Department of Neurology

Queen Elizabeth Hospital

University Hospital Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust

Mindelsohn Way

Birmingham B15 2GW

Tel (secretary) 01216272000

NHS only

Dr Anke Hensiek

Consultant Neurologist

Department of Clinical Neurosciences, University of Cambridge

Box 165, Addenbrookes Hospital

Cambridge CB2 2QQ

Tel (NHS secretary): 01223 217603

NHS and private

Prof Rita Horvath MD, PhD

Professor of Neurogenetics

Department of Clinical Neurosciences, University of Cambridge

Box 165, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge Biomedical Campus

Cambridge CB2 0QQ

Tel: 01223 331165

NHS only

Dr Paul Worth

Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge (NHS)

NHS secretary 01223216760

The Spire, Cambridge Lee Hospital (Private)

Private secretary: 01954202111

Appointments: 01223266990

The Spire South Bank, Worcester (Private)

Appointments: 01905 350003

Email: Worcester_Neurology@proton.me

Circle Droitwich Spa Hospital (Private)

Appointments: 01905 885769

Email: Worcester_Neurology@proton.me

Dr Rajith de Silva

Ataxia/Neurogenetics Clinic

Essex Neurosciences Centre

Queen's Hospital

Rom Valley Way

Romford

Essex RM7 0AG

Referrals (NHS): via ERS (open to GPs)

Enquiries: 01708 435 000 #2786

Private and NHS

Dr Michael Bonello

The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust

Lower Lane

Fazakerley

Liverpool L9 7LJ

Tel: 0151 525 3611

NHS only

Prof Henry Houlden

Institute of Neurology

Queen Square

London WC1N 3BG

Tel: 02034483141 or 02034484249

NHS only

Also weekly MSA and complex ataxia clinic

Prof Nicholas Wood

Institute of Neurology

Queen Square

London WC1N 3BG
Tel: 0203 448 4255
NHS and private

Dr Yi Shiau Ng

Directorate of Neurosciences
Royal Victoria Infirmary
Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Newcastle NE1 4LP
Tel (secretary for neurogenetics): 0191 2823111
NHS only

Accepts referrals from Cumbria, North East England and North Yorkshire

Dr Boyd Ghosh and Dr Luke Massey

Wessex Neurological centre
Southampton General Hospital
Tremona Road
Southampton SO16 6DY
Tel (secretary) 02381206007
NHS only

GP referrals would have to go through eRS at Southampton, consultant to consultant referrals are by letter directly

Dr John McKinley and Dr Seamus Kearney

Level 6 out-patients
Royal Victoria Hospital
Grosvenor Road
Belfast BT12 6BA
Tel: 02890 633475
NHS only

Dr Richard Davenport

Department of Clinical Neurosciences
Western General Hospital
Crewe Road South
Edinburgh EH4 2XU
Tel (secretary): 0131 537 2072
Fax: 0131 537 1132

Private and NHS: Accepts referrals for specialist input at diagnosis. For ongoing management would recommend a local referral to a movement disorder specialist.

Prof Neil Robertson

Dept. of Neurology, C4 Neurology
University Hospital Wales
Heath Park
Cardiff CF14 4XN
Tel: 029 20 74 5403
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Dr Mark Wardle

Department of Neurology
University Hospital Wales

Heath Park
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NHS only