

- **Eastern Region: School of Anaesthesia**
- **The Norwich Research Fellow in Anaesthesia**
12 months from February 2026

The Post

The NNUH Research Fellow in Anaesthesia is a one year post at the NNUH Department of Anaesthetics and the Norwich Medical School, University of East Anglia. It is open to all Eastern Region, post-fellowship trainees at an appropriate stage of their training, with selection by competition. Successful candidates will participate fully in the trainee on call out of hours rota and will undertake the equivalent of one half day list per week. The lists can be organised so that specific clinical training modules are completed. The post mirrors the well-established UDA Academic Trainee post in Cambridge and is part of the Eastern Region School of Anaesthesia Rotation. As such, standard annual, study and professional leave arrangements will apply.

Both full-time and LTFT trainees are encouraged to apply. The time spent in the post counts towards CCT. Shortlisting will be based on a submission from the trainee, with or without support from a mentor. During the post, the successful candidate will be supervised by senior scientists at the University of East Anglia and their clinical research supervisor will be the research lead for anaesthesia at NNUH (presently Dr Melanie Maxwell).

The purpose of this attachment is:

- To complete a significant piece of research
- To acquire research skills relevant to the project
- To present the data at national or international meetings, and achieve membership of the Anaesthetic Research Society
- To publish in a peer reviewed journal
- Where appropriate, to obtain adequate pilot data to apply for research funding (from the MRC, Wellcome Trust, RCoA, NIAA, etc.) to fund studies towards a higher degree
- Where appropriate, to arrange for collaborative research with other groups in the region, in order to provide research opportunities that are currently unavailable to the specialty.

There are several areas of research which could be supported including health economics, analysis of large datasets and research into education using simulation/ virtual reality. However, candidates with research interests outside these themes are also encouraged to apply. Potential candidates are advised to contact Dr Melanie Maxwell (melanie.maxwell@nnuh.nhs.uk) for an informal discussion before submitting their application.

Applications for Shortlisting

Candidates should submit a Curriculum vitae and a short abstract (300 words) outlining a proposed research area. It would be appropriate to discuss this with a project mentor who might be a consultant or academic scientist.

Interviews

The interviews for shortlisted candidates will be held towards the end Oct/Beg Nov. Candidates will be asked to give a brief (10 minute) presentation of their proposed research question.

The closing date for applications is 5pm on Friday 24th October 2025.