

## Research and innovation seminar series:



# Sight-loss as a consequence of traumatic brain injury and mental health implications

Life beyond sight loss  
St Dunstan's since 1915

23 May 2018 | University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

### Time:

12.15 – 13.00 **Registration and light buffet lunch**

13.00 – 13.10 **Welcome to The University of Manchester** – Professor Stuart Allan, Research Domain Director, Neuroscience & Mental Health, Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health, The University of Manchester, UK.

13.10 – 13.20 **Blind Veterans UK Welcome** – Major General (Ret. Army Air Corps) Nick Caplin CB, Chief Executive, Blind Veterans UK.

13.20 – 13.40 **The Blind Veteran's Perspective** – Lance Corporal (Ret. UK Army King's Royal Hussars) Chris Nowell, Blind Veterans UK and Sergeant First Class (Ret. US Army Combat Medic) Scott Carruthers, Blinded Veterans Association, USA

13.40 – 14.10 **Dementia and Military Veterans – what's the score?** – Dr. Karla Greenberg, Clinical Director of March on Stress and King's Centre for Military Health Research, King's College London, UK.

14.10 – 14.40 **Concussion in Sport** – Dr. Michael J. Grey, Reader in Rehabilitation Neuroscience, Acquired Brain Injury Rehabilitation Alliance, University of East Anglia, UK.

14.40 – 15.10 **Non Penetrating Ocular Trauma** – Colonel (Ret. US Army) Dr. Robert A. Mazzoli MC, Director of Education, Training, Simulation at the DoD-V.A. Vision Centre of Excellence Washington DC, USA.

15.10 – 15.40 **Coffee break**

15.40 – 16.10 **Ocular Biomarkers of Traumatic Brain Injury** – Professor Randy Kardon, Director of Neuro-ophthalmology, Director of Iowa City VA Center for Prevention and Treatment of Visual Loss, Department of Veterans Affairs Hospital, USA.

**16.10 – 16.40 Age-related macular degeneration: eye disease; immunology; and treatments** – Dr. Simon J. Clark, MRC Career Development Fellow, Division of Evolution and Genomic Sciences, The University of Manchester, UK.

**16.40 – 17.30 Panel discussion –How to tackle traumatic brain injury and associated implications?**

**Chair:** Dr. Renata Gomes, Blind Veterans UK.

**Panel Members:** Major General (Ret.) Nick Caplin, Professor Stuart Allan, Major (Ret.) Dr. Thomas Zampieri, Colonel (Ret.) Dr. Robert A. Mazzoli, Sgt. First Class (Ret.) Scott Carruthers, Dr. Simon J. Clark, Dr. Michael J. Grey.

**17.30 – 17.40 Closing remarks** – Dr. Renata Gomes, Head of Research and Innovation, Blind Veterans UK.

**17.40 – 18.00 Networking**

**If you have not yet done so, please book a seat as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.**

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