

**CURRICULUM VITAE**

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Oxford University 1991-1994  
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MBBS (London University) 2000  
FRCA 2007  
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**NHS practice:** Consultant in Pain Medicine  
Pain Relief Unit, Churchill Hospital,  
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## **DR SIMON LAW**

Specialist in Pain Management and Expert Witness

### **Qualifications**

- MA (Hons), University of Oxford
- MBBS, University of London
- MRCP Pt. 1, Royal College of Physicians
- FRCA, Royal College of Anaesthetists
- FFPMRCA, Faculty of Pain Medicine, Royal College of Anaesthetists
- LLM, Cardiff University (second year student)

### **Memberships**

- Faculty of Pain Medicine, Royal college of Anaesthetists
- Royal College of Anaesthetists
- Oxford Medicolegal Society
- Medical Protection Society
- General Medical Council

### **Medicolegal Experience**

- Faculty of Pain Medicine, Medicolegal Day, 2015
- Bond Solon Expert Report Writers Course, 2015
- Premex Clinical Negligence Seminar, 2015
- Peterhouse Medicolegal Society Annual Meeting, 2013-2015

- Premex Medical Report Writers Course, 2014
- Bond Solon Expert Report Writers Course, 2013
- CPR 35 proficient
- Listed on the UK Register of Expert Witnesses
- Experienced in joint statements and teleconferences with council
- Member of Medicolegal Google Groups for Pain Consultants; an on-line discussion forum for Pain Consultants
- Reports have been vetted by legal experts
- Dr Law produces regular reports relating to personal injury, whiplash, work related injury and post- surgical injury. He is experienced in report writing to provide assessment of capacity to work, ability to function and to achieve pain relief
- Dr Law has a proven track record and currently assesses over 40 patients and performs approximately 20 pain-relieving procedures a week in his NHS practice. He has particular experience in spinal injections for painful conditions of the neck and spine

### **Current Post**

- Consultant in Pain Medicine
- Dr Law is a qualified educational and clinical supervisor and is responsible for delivering education to medical students, allied healthcare professionals and trainees in his clinical field

## Professional Experience

- A large component of his work is assessing pain and making judgments on causality, clinical course and likely prognosis of painful conditions. He works to help patients achieve pain relief and specifically assesses their capacity to do this. This is often achieved through interdisciplinary collaboration.
- He is a first author of a number of high quality scientific papers, the most recent of which are:

Law S, Derry S, Moore RA. *Sumatriptan plus Naproxen for Acute Migraine*. Cochrane Database Syst Rev **2013**; Oct 21;10:CD008541,

Law S, Derry S, Moore RA. *Naproxen for Acute Migraine*. Cochrane Database Syst Rev **2013**; Oct 20: CD009455.pub2

*This paper on Sumatriptan and Naproxen was singled out for excellence and published in a peer review journal, The Journal Club*

- During his career he has developed strong research links with the professorial Pain Relief Unit in Oxford and is adept at assimilating and appraising the literature and prides himself on an up-to-date, evidence based approach. He is the invited author for several chapters in text books, for example:

Law S, Cashman J. *Achieving Post Operative Pain Control*. Current Concepts in Anaesthesia **2013**; Oxford University Press: Editors Cook & Smythe.

- His research into cluster headaches and migraine gained a national prize from the Faculty of Pain Medicine and has been presented on the national stage. It informs national guidelines on acute headaches in the Emergency Department:

Law S, Derry S, Moore A. *Triptans for Cluster Headache*. Cochrane Database Syst

Rev **2013**; Jul 17;7:CD00804

- He is the invited author for several chapters in text books, for example:

McCormick T, Law S. *Assessment of Chronic Pain*. Submitted to *Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine*, Dec **2015**

- Dr Law keeps up to date and has regular appraisal. Dr Law's medical training is of a high level. He was an undergraduate and post graduate in Oxford. He gained particular expertise of paediatric, cancer and adult pain at Great Ormond Street, St Christopher's Hospice and Guys and St Thomas' Hospital by advanced training placements in London.

### **Professional Awards**

- Dr Law has been awarded the Faculty of Pain Medicine Prize from his medical college and the Colin Blogg Pain Prize from the University of Oxford for his work in Pain Medicine.

### **Teaching and Education**

- He teaches regularly and receives positive feedback. His most recent teaching session was on "The Sharp End of Pain Medicine Course" which is an annual national meeting of Pain Consultants. He attends regular educational meetings the most recent of which was The British Pain Society Annual Scientific Meeting.

### **Areas of Expertise**

Dr Law is experienced in the impact of trauma, surgery and work related accidents and in particular:

- Diagnosis of painful conditions
- Treatment of painful conditions
- Prognosis for recovery from painful conditions
- Effects of injury on ability to work
- Physical symptoms following trauma or accidents
- Recommendations for treatment to enable rehabilitation
- Regular clinics for difficult neuropathic pain including Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)
- Particularly skilled in opiate use and management and runs a clinic for opiate management