

**Whither ophthalmic pathology in the UK:
why not wither and whemmie?**

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Correction to: *Eye* (2001) 15, 565–567.

In this editorial, I stated incorrectly that the 'full-time specialist ophthalmic pathologist post' in Glasgow had been 'abolished entirely'. On the retirement of the Professor of Ophthalmic Pathology in Glasgow, the post vacated was advertised as a Senior Lecturer position, supported by Greater Glasgow Health Board (GGHB) and the University of Glasgow's Department of Ophthalmology, but there were no applicants. The funding of the post was ring-fenced while negotiations took place with the North Glasgow Trust and Greater Glasgow Health Board, to reconfigure the post with the intention to make it more attractive. The post

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was advertised as an NHS position, but with a sessional commitment that was equivalent to an academic position, to protect sessions for research. The new post has been filled, and the successful candidate has excellent academic credentials, and has both general pathology and ophthalmic pathology commitments.

I am delighted to find that the Ophthalmic Pathology post in Glasgow has always had 100% support from the University, the North Glasgow Trust and Greater Glasgow Health Board. Professor Lee has the most worthy successor, and we wish her well for the future. I am pleased for the future of ophthalmic pathology in Glasgow that I was wrong, and I am happy to apologise to the parties and Institutions involved for the error caused by my misunderstanding of the situation.