

Vitae Researcher Development International Conference

9 - 10 September 2014 The Midland, Manchester



Administrative details

Registration

Registration will take place in The Midland foyer from 09.00 on Tuesday 9 September. You will be issued with a participant pack and name badge. Please wear your name badge at all times during the conference.

Conference app

This year to embrace a more 'green' option we are condensing the hard copy conference guide and introducing a conference 'app' for the majority of you who use a smart device. The app will enable participants to network amongst each other, select workshops prior to the conference, view the latest conference information such as the programme and plenaries and see workshop outlines and presenter details. If you are attending the dinner on the evening of the 9 September, the app will also allow you to take part in voting for the 3MT 'people's choice' winner.

For those who will not be using a smart device and wish to be involved, there will be a limited number of ipads available from Vitae. Please contact: events@vitae.ac.uk if you wish to reserve an ipad for this purpose. Devices will be provided on a first come first served basis. Workshops can be selected via the conference website as normal until 5 September.

Meals and refreshments

Breakfast

For residents of The Midland, this is served in the hotel restaurant from 06:00.

Lunch

Buffet lunch will be served in the Octagon Lounge and the Trafford Room at the times indicated on the programme.

Drinks reception sponsored by Elsevier and conference dinner, Tuesday 9 September

There will be a drinks reception in the Octagon Lounge and Trafford Room from 19.00 followed by the final of the 3MT competition at 19.50 and conference dinner at 20.20 in the Alexandra Suite. The dress code for the conference dinner is smart.

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Special diets

Dietary requirements will be catered for during the conference. **Please note that the vegetarian menu must be pre-ordered and any special dietary requirements must be communicated in advance to the Vitae events team (01223 448527) unless already stated on your booking form.** Please find below the dinner menu:

Standard menu

Course Chicken Terrine, Golden Raisin Purée

Roast Loin of Yorkshire Pork, Apricot and Rosemary Stuffing, Parmentier Potatoes, Cider Jus

Chocolate Orange Truffle

Vegetarian menu

Chestnut Mushroom and Tarragon Velouté

Root Vegetable Gratin, Asparagus, Saffron Sauce

Chocolate Orange Truffle

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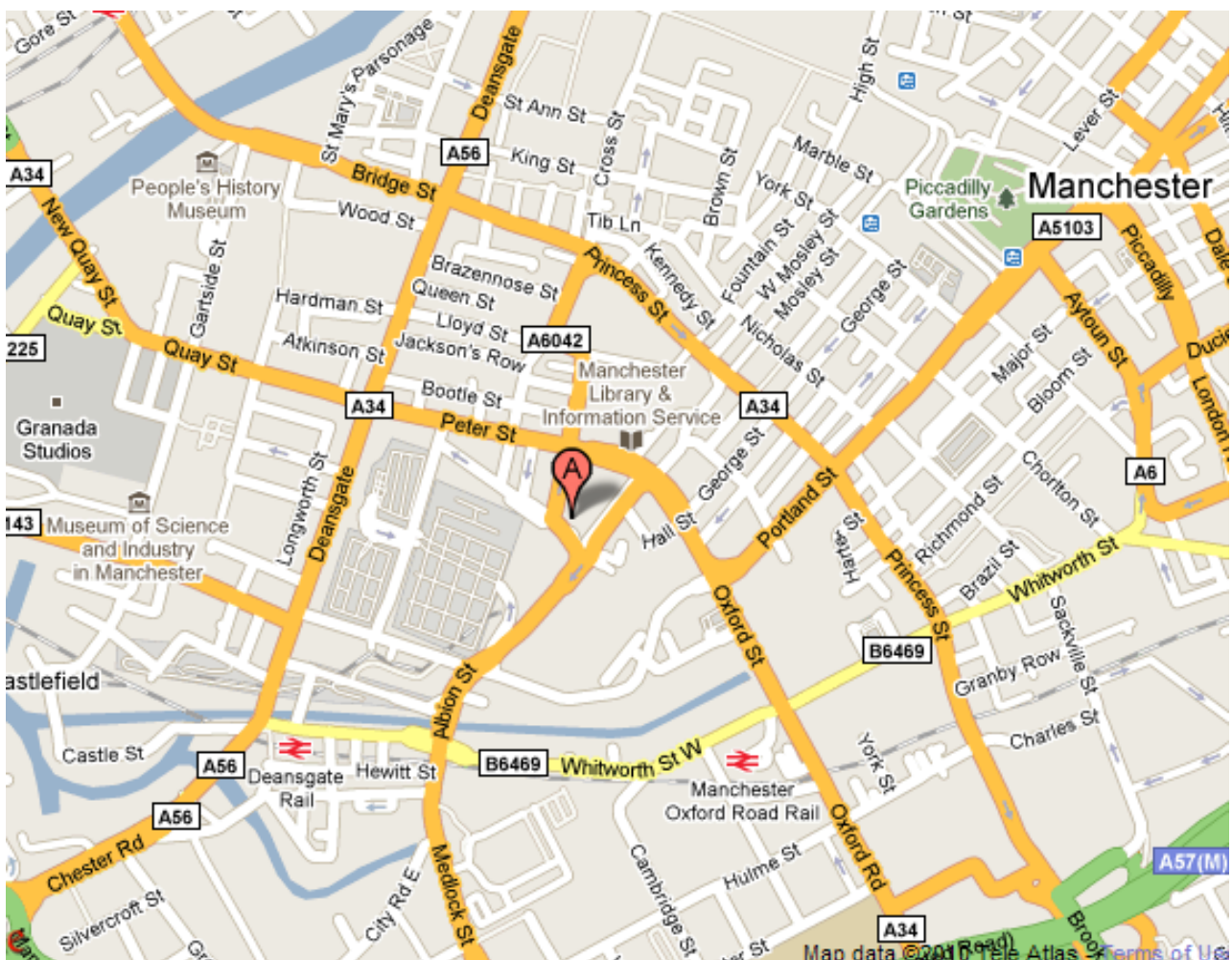
As a Vitae participant you get exclusive access to two issues of the International Journal of Researcher Development for the month of September. Details on how to access these issues will be sent at the beginning of September.

Travel

The Midland is located in the centre of Manchester and is easily accessible via public transport.

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Manchester
M60 2DS

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Rail: The nearest stations are Manchester Oxford Road and Manchester Piccadilly which are approximately 10 minutes from the venue by taxi.

Information on all rail routes can be found at [National Rail Enquiries](#)

Air: Manchester International Airport is the nearest airport to the venue. Up to 9 trains per hour link the airport with Manchester Piccadilly Station.

Car:

From the south

From the M6 Junction 19 join the M56. Follow signs for the city centre (A5103). Then follow signs for the Manchester Central Convention Complex/Bridgewater Hall onto Medlock Street. Go through the lights onto Lower Mosley Street. Pass Bridgewater Hall on your right and the hotel is facing you.

From the north

From the M6, join the M61 at Preston. Follow signs for M60 south and west towards the Trafford Centre. Follow signs for the city centre and Manchester Central Convention Complex (A57). Turn left into Water Street and left onto the A56 Deansgate. Turn right onto Peter Street and the hotel is 300 metres on the right hand side.

The hotel does not have its own car park but parking is available at the NCP Manchester Central to the rear of the hotel. At the time of going to press prices were as follows:

2 hours =	£6.10
2 - 4 hours =	£9.50
4 - 6 hours =	£10.50
6 - 12 hours =	£14.50
12 - 24 hours =	£18.40

Facilities

Assistance

If you need any assistance concerning your arrival or booking immediately before or during the conference please call Rachel Kerr on 07545 204685 or Sarah Nalden on 07590 961358.

Leisure facilities

All Midland residential guests have use of the leisure facilities

Internet access

All bedrooms and public areas have wifi access. This is free of charge for all conference participants.

Accommodation

All bedrooms are en-suite and are supplied with desk area, TV with Sky channels, tea and coffee making facilities, hairdryer, towels and toiletries

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Room keys

Rooms will be available from 14.00, and rooms must be vacated by 11.00 on your day of departure.

Luggage storage

Luggage storage is available at concierge. Bags left with concierge will be taken directly to your room, you will not have to collect your bags after checking in.

Cloakroom facilities

Coats can be stored at concierge.

Please note that CRAC, Vitae and The Midland are unable to accept responsibility for loss of or damage to personal property.