Welcome to Be Curious 2018 at the University of Leeds.
Thank you for coming along and wanting to find out what we do.
We teach students and we also do a lot of research. Today we want to give you a glimpse of the research that is taking place here.

We have lots of exciting activities happening in the Parkinson and Michael Sadler Buildings and in the School of Music throughout the day.

Finding hidden treasures – treasure hunt for our younger guests
If you are between 5 and 12 years’ old you can pick up a treasure hunt booklet from the stall outside Treasures of the Brotherton gallery. Collect all the other coin stickers from stalls in different buildings. Upon completion go back to the stall in Parkinson court and collect a free memento* of the event (*while stocks last).

Children-aimed activities
Stalls or activities that are specifically aimed at 5–12 years old will display Curio, the curious fish.

How to use this programme
The programme has a map and a guide of the activities taking place in the Parkinson Building, Michael Sadler building and the School of Music along with the lecture timetable, performance information and details of what you can see in the galleries surrounding Parkinson Court.


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Dealing with waste is an international challenge. What if we could use it to generate energy? We can use sewage and food waste into an anaerobic digestion plant, which generates biogas (methane) using bacteria - like a cow’s stomach. Come and get ‘hands-on’ with our demonstration cow!

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Global surgery identifies and tackles the global challenges in delivering safe and effective surgical care to all people, focusing on working in low and middle-income countries. Our activity explores how our global group in Leeds is improving the delivery of surgical care in our collaborating countries.

**Radiotherapy: personalised, precise and globally relevant**
Come to learn about radiotherapy and hear how radiotherapy is helping patients across the world! Radiotherapy is high energy X-ray treatment and is used in the treatment of cancer. See our fun and interactive demonstration about the principles of radiotherapy, suitable for all ages. You can try on a radiotherapy mask and have a shot at treating Barbie on our model radiotherapy machine. Learn how research and clinical trials in radiotherapy can help patients across the globe and find out how many countries are involved in the production of a radiotherapy machine.

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Visit our international grocery store to do your weekly shop and learn how we can use information on shopping habits to identify links between lifestyle and health and disease.

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Many vegetables that are part of our everyday diet weren’t originally from here. Join us on a tour of the Sustainable Garden as we explore how and where different vegetables originate from and how international our gardens and diet are.

**Air quality in Leeds: a global challenge at local scale**
Find out where Leeds ranks amongst the world’s most polluted cities and what the University is doing to monitor air quality on campus. Help us find ways to reduce the amount of pollution that staff, students and members of the public are exposed to whilst travelling to or through the University campus.

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PARKINSON BUILDING – BASEMENT

B09
A picture is worth a thousand words

‘A picture is worth a thousand words’ demonstrates the role of medical photography. There will be the opportunity to take digital photographs and video to document the structure of the human face.

B10
Engineering your body

A range of hands-on activities to demonstrate concepts of tissue engineering and imaging including a ‘cell-sorter’, 3D printed bone scaffolds and touch-screens to demonstrate imaging. We’ll use a skeleton to show you where in the body tissue engineering is applied.

BAINES WING

Leeds University Business School mini-lecture series

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ii) how individuals can make better decisions on matters such as finance, health risk and driving routines, and how the world of business is changing and what it will be like in the future, focusing on: Chinese business investment in the UK (in the light of Brexit), diversity and inclusion at work, how robotics will change our cities, and locally how to sell a service abroad.

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MICHAEL SADLER BUILDING

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30 minute performances between 11am and 3pm. Free tickets are available from the information desk in Parkinson Court entrance.

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Take on fun games and challenges to explore how researchers bring together the stories of cancer patients across the UK, to find ways to improve care and diagnosis of gut cancer. Bowel cancer is the 3rd most common cancer worldwide, and research using UK data might help patients everywhere.

**Dr. Digital: algorithms for health**

An algorithm is a series of steps we use to solve a problem. People and computers use them every day. At Leeds we are developing algorithms to detect when cancer comes back after treatment. Come and have a go at some algorithms and maybe your own algorithm can help others too.

**The fight you can’t see: invisible illnesses in young people**

There are about 1.8 billion young people aged 10 to 24 around the world. At least a quarter of those young people live with an invisible illness, such as arthritis. In this activity, you’ll learn more about arthritis in young people, and why everything isn’t always as it seems.

**LG 19**

**Seeing is believing: cool microscopy at Leeds**

The University of Leeds is home to two of the most powerful electron microscopes in the world for studying proteins and cells. While the microscopes themselves are huge, more than 4m high, they allow us to look at microscopic proteins and viruses with enough detail to see their individual building blocks. Come and see for yourself through the power of virtual reality and tours down to the microscopes how this world class equipment is helping us tackle some of the biggest challenges of our time, including antibiotic resistance, cancer, dementia and more.

**Design a cycle-friendly city**

This activity will put you in control of a city’s investment in cycling infrastructure up to 2050. For Leeds or elsewhere you will decide what is built and where. In the process you’ll learn how evidence can help prioritise international investment for a ‘zero carbon’ future.

**Unusual and exciting fluids!**

Not all fluids flow like water. Non-Newtonian fluids like magma and custard are found all over the world and behave in an entirely different way. Find out about the weird and interesting properties they possess by watching our demonstrations and getting involved with the interactive models.

**Tackling plant blindness**

Come and learn about native and non-native plants, where they have come from and what challenges they pose. We will have a game to test your plant knowledge and see if you can guess the origin of our non-native plants.

**How our body uses glucose**

We will travel through the body to understand how glucose and nutrients we eat are absorbed and metabolised in the different organs. We will look at the effect that high glucose diet can have in your body and how high glucose can trigger the development of diabetes.

**Trains, planes and automobiles – all tribology games!**

Have you ever wondered about the propeller on an aeroplane? Or a slow train because of “leaves on the line”? We are researching some of the key ways trains, planes and cars work and want to invite you to see how our research effects people around the world.

**FOYER**

**Say hello to the piano**

In 2018 the city of Leeds will once again welcome the finals of the Leeds International Piano Competition, a triennial global music event. We want to open up the understanding and enjoyment of the piano to everyone in Leeds.

**Performance and ‘in conversation’ with Opera North**

15 minute performances followed by conversation at 12 noon, 1pm and 2pm. No tickets required.

Come and experience bite-sized opera from across Europe with Opera North bass Ross McInroy and pianist Philip Voldman and join them in conversation about the music and their careers.

**CONCERT HALL**

**Steinway experience**

Please register for a 5 minute slot in the School of Music on the day.

Do you play or are learning to play the piano? Today you have the chance to experience what it’s like to play as a professional! Bring your music and play a short piece (up to 5 minutes) on a Steinway concert grand in the University concert hall (without audience).

**UNIVERSITY GALLERIES**

The **Stanley & Audrey Burton Gallery** is an oasis of calm, inspiration and art, just off Parkinson Court. The Gallery offers innovative temporary exhibitions and displays treasures from the University Art Collection. The collection includes stunning examples of European and British painting, drawings and prints, dating from the 17th century up to the present day.

The **Treasures of the Brotherton Gallery** is the public face of the world renowned Special Collections held at the Leeds University Library. The permanent display contains many highlights including Shakespeare’s First Folio, original material written by the Brontës, stunning illuminated medieval manuscripts and rare books from across the globe.
**Safety**

Adults bringing children under the age of 18 are reminded that they must stay with them throughout the event.

We are not expecting a fire alarm test today, therefore if you hear the alarm, please follow either the student guides (in red T-shirts) or members of staff out of the building via the nearest fire exit and do not return to the building until instructed to do so.

If you require first aid assistance at any time throughout the event, please inform a student guide (in red T-shirts) or a member of staff and they will assist you. If this is not possible, please phone University Security on 0113 3432222 and explain where you are and they will assist you.

The main information point is located in the centre of Parkinson Court. Should you need any assistance, additional student helpers can be found in Michael Sadler building and Baines Wing. Student guides are on hand throughout the day, you can identify them by their red T-shirts with a University of Leeds logo. We are keen to hear what you think of Be Curious 2018 today and you can let us know on your return to the feedback desk in Parkinson Foyer.

**Disabled access – lifts/trails**

There is lift access to all our venues throughout the campus. If you have access issues, please raise this with a student guide (in red T-shirts) and they will help and show you the disabled access route.

**Toilets and baby changing facilities**

There are toilets located across campus, which are highlighted in each venue. The main toilets in Parkinson Court are on the lower ground floor and can be accessed by the stairs or lift on either end of the court. Baby changing facilities are located in the toilets in Parkinson Court and Baines Wing.

**Café**

There is a café in the Baines Wing corridor between the Parkinson and Michael Sadler buildings where you may purchase drinks and snacks during the event.

**Parking on campus**

If you have parked your car on campus you need to pay the required fee at the payment machine on level 1 of the multi storey car park before you exit. This must be paid by debit/credit card. If you fail to pay, you will receive a fine through the post as registration plate recognition cameras are active on all car park exits.

**Thank you**

Thank you to the Wellcome Trust, RCUK, and other collaborators across the city and region for kindly supporting this event and to all the staff and students involved in coordinating and delivering the event together.

Don’t forget to follow us on Twitter #becurious18 and take a look at our website www.leeds.ac.uk/becurious