

Supported Treatment for the Armed Forces - we have a special programme which provides fertility preservation to members of the British Armed Forces at supported rates – our social conscience at work.

Donor Insemination - we believe in patient choice and have always treated single women and same sex couples, subject to the 'Welfare of the Child' - see www.bridge-iui.com

Open Evenings - our Open Evening programme covers a wide variety of topics and is immensely helpful to people who are uncertain or need face-to-face assistance and reassurance.

NHS Funding - we are treating an increasing number of patients who are receiving NHS funding and choosing Bridge. We assist with funding applications.

Acupuncture - is available for all patients and there are indications of greater efficacy in older patients. We are beginning a scientific study.

Find out more from these Bridge websites:-

www.thebridgecentre.co.uk

- www.bridge-eggdonor.com
- www.bridge-eggrecipient.com
- www.bridge-eggsharer.com
- www.pgd-pgs.com
- www.bridge-malefertility.com
- www.bridge-iui.com
- www.bridgemind-body.co.uk

Finally, some views from the people who really count...



"Words cannot express our emotions at the moment – we are now very proud parents of two lovely girls. At times we thought it would never work but, through our determination and your excellent care, we have made it."

"We are truly in the debt of those of you who practise assisted reproductive technology and hope that continued progress will enable others to experience the joy that we have. We may well be back to try again so that W might have a brother or sister, but in the meantime we are truly thankful that we have the most wonderful baby son."

"Just to say a real huge thank you for all your kindness and support in helping us achieve this dream with the new arrival of little baby Cameron...weighing in at 7lb 6 ounces. A wonderful Christmas present as he was born on 23/12."

"The work that is done at your centre is miracle work. Laura is our miracle and we thank all at Bridge for her. All of the staff, from the reception team to the lab staff are to be thanked. We hope that there are many more Bridge babies in the future."

"I am very happy for the gift of my daughter. Now I can say that I have something to live and work for. She is a great joy to me, relatives and friends. I am planning to have more children because of the fulfilment, contentment and happiness I am getting."

"We were sorry you were unable to attend Alexander's christening. It was a lovely service and afterwards 33 guests joined us for a big celebration. The sun shone and Alexander was a very good boy. He now has three teeth, is starting to walk and is absolutely gorgeous."



Putting Patients First

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THE LONDON BRIDGE FERTILITY,
GYNAECOLOGY AND GENETICS CENTRE

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Bridge has implemented a programme of continuous improvement designed to deliver the most comprehensive range of assisted conception services at one location anywhere in the United Kingdom.

We have monitored and assessed innovation and progress from all over the world and have also introduced groundbreaking developments of our own – with more to come.

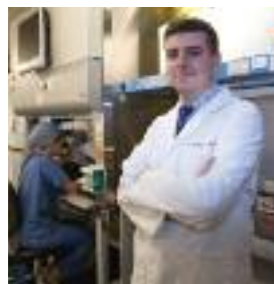
Our Scientific and Medical team is now firmly in place and here, first of all, are some of the key people who are responsible for treatment and patient care: -



Board Member
Professor Alan Handyside MA PhD

Director and Medical Director
Mohamed Menabawey MBBCH, FRCOG

Deputy Medical Director
Ms Nataly Atalla MRCOG PhD MSc



Scientific Director
Alan Thornhill PhD, HCLD

Genetic Counsellor



Charlotte Bancroft BScH, MS
- a UK first!

Nursing Team



Katharine Hagues RN, ENB, DipHE
in Nursing Studies
Fertility Nurse Manager



Annette Moloney RN, DipHE
Fertility Nurse Manager

Treatment and Services

There is no room for 'not invented here' in assisted conception. We are open-minded and receptive to new ideas but careful and thorough in investigating results and clinical validation. Here is some of the progress we have made: -

Karyomapping - Bridge leads the world with a revolutionary breakthrough which, with full 24 chromosome analysis, addresses all hereditary diseases in a single test. Clinical trials are now underway and full-scale patient tests are planned for as early as mid-2009.

Care Teams - our new Care Team structure is being implemented. Based on the proven Boston IVF model, this will deliver a closer connection with each patient.

Blastocyst - our Blastocyst transfer programme is delivering a 67% clinical pregnancy rate – and is being steadily expanded.

Ovarian Reserve Test - this important new test was developed by ReproSource in association with Boston IVF. We are launching it in the UK and predict it will soon be an 'industry standard'.

Genetic Counselling - Charlotte Bancroft BScH, MS is the first full-time Genetic Counsellor at a fertility centre in the UK, providing invaluable support to patients in this complex field.

Egg Freezing - we launched egg freezing in October 2007 and the programme has been incredibly popular and very successful. We use the new vitrification method – survival rates of 96% and high subsequent success rates are being reported.

Freeze and Share - this is a unique Bridge initiative which addresses two key issues – bringing fertility preservation within reach of many more women and increasing UK egg donation.

PGS - we believe the case in favour is strong and clear for appropriate cases – and Single Embryo Transfer (which is coming) will make PGS even more important in the future. Patient costs will inevitably come down as this technique is more widely used.

Sperm Bank - we have one of the largest sperm banks in the UK, have recruited vigorously and successfully (including Asian donors) and can meet the needs of our patients.

Mind/Body - our Mind/Body programme is producing incredible results – 9 out of 11 patients from a recent 10 week course are now pregnant - see www.bridgemind-body.co.uk

Scanning - we have the very latest 3/4D scanning technology – and have launched a full range of competitively-priced pregnancy scanning services.

PESA/TESE - our regular clinics are achieving wonderful results for men who never expected to be able to father their own children.

Egg Donation - our UK and overseas programmes continue to meet the needs of our older patients – and our leading overseas donation programme is now achieving live birth rate results in excess of 50% per patient treated - see www.bridge-eggrecipient.com

Reproductive Health Checks - we are developing new services to give both male and female patients a clear and objective view of their reproductive health.