



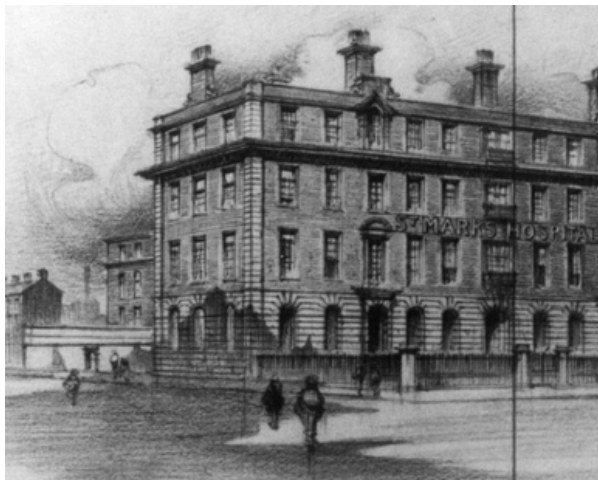
St Mark's Hospital Foundation

CASE FOR SUPPORT

Who We Are

St Mark's Hospital Foundation is the only charity to support ground-breaking research, education, and innovation at St Mark's, the UK's specialist national bowel hospital.

The projects we fund enhance disease understanding, unlock cutting-edge treatment options, and drive clinical improvements for patients living with complex, and rare, bowel diseases.



St Mark's Hospital

has 200 years of unrivalled expertise in the treatment and management of bowel disease and is the only hospital in the world to specialise entirely in colorectal and intestinal disease. St Mark's cares for over 50,000 patients annually, 60% of whom have been referred from other UK hospitals to receive specialist care.

Why Our Work is Important

Bowel disease continues to be a significant issue across the UK and throughout the world.

Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, the two main forms of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), are painful, debilitating, and life-long conditions that currently have no cure. The number of people with IBD is expected to increase to more than 700,000 in the UK by 2030.

Bowel cancer is the second highest cause of cancer fatalities in the UK, claiming more than 17,700 lives every year. Over the last 40 years, early-onset bowel cancer diagnoses in individuals under the age of 50 have increased significantly.

St Mark's Hospital Foundation remains dedicated to achieving our vision of a future free from the fear of bowel disease.

Our Impact

St Mark's Hospital Foundation has helped enable significant advancements in the field of gastroenterology and colorectal surgery.

With the help of our donors, we have supported our clinical colleagues to develop and adopt advanced techniques in colorectal surgery, create a national, standardised training programme for practitioners reporting on a common scan for bowel cancer and develop a new genetic test to predict bowel cancer risk in Inflammatory Bowel Disease patients.



“I was cared for by so many brilliant teams in hospitals all across London during my treatment, but the specialist research carried out by St Mark's ultimately held the keys to unlock an effective course of treatment for me.”

- Charlie, St Mark's Patient

How Your Support Makes a Difference

RESEARCH

Help us support the cost of up to 30 St Mark's Research Fellows every year and maintain the research infrastructure at St Mark's Hospital.



EDUCATION

Help us deliver an annual programme of education to disseminate the best practice developed at St Mark's across the UK and the world.



INNOVATION

Help us invest in multidisciplinary projects that improve efficiencies in the NHS and push the boundaries of what is possible for patients.



As diagnoses of complex bowel conditions increase, more individuals will be referred to St Mark's to receive specialist care. By supporting St Mark's Hospital Foundation, you allow St Mark's Hospital to continue creating a healthier future for people with complex, and rare, bowel diseases.

We are incredibly grateful to our supporters who make it possible for us to fund this life-changing work.