

# stratum

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Cutting Edge Dermatology Provided by Consultant Dermatologists in Oxford

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## Who are we?

Dr Neil Walker was a Senior Lecturer at the Institute of Dermatology, London before moving to Oxford in 1994. He was one of the UK pioneers of Dermatological surgery and laser treatments.

Dr Janet Angus is a Consultant Dermatologist with a special interest in skin cancer and psychodermatology. She is Skin Cancer Lead at Nottingham University Hospital Trust.



## What we offer

Skin cancer diagnosis and treatment including

- Micrographic (Mohs') surgery
- Photodynamic therapy

Diagnosis and management of general dermatology conditions

- Paediatric dermatology

Access to latest laser technology for treatment of

- Acne or acne scarring
- Rosacea
- Pigmentation problems
- Birthmarks
- Laser hair removal

Treatment of Psychological impact of skin disease

Paediatric Allergy Service

## What we do

- Provide care only under the direct supervision of fully accredited specialists.
- Centre the practice around the patients
- Offer clear and constructive advice on personalised treatment options



## Skin Cancer Treatment

Three fully equipped surgical theatres.

We have an on site laboratory with facilities to prepare frozen sections so we can offer micrographic (Mohs') surgery, a specialised microscopic surgical mapping technique. This allows us to ensure we have removed large or infiltrative cancers but only taking the minimum of normal tissue.

We also offer non-surgical cancer treatments like photodynamic therapy. A photosensitising cream is applied and a light source shone on the affected area. This can be used to treat some types of superficial skin cancers, pre-cancerous growths, areas of sun-damaged skin and acne.

In appropriate patients, excellent cosmetic outcomes can be achieved without the need for surgery.

# General Dermatology

We offer the full range of treatments available for specific skin conditions some of which may not be available at an NHS hospital.

For example a patient with acne could be treated with conventional options such as topical preparations, oral antibiotics, or isotretinoin but if they could not tolerate these medications for some reason or had been left with significant acne carrying we can offer them a range of alternatives.

Laser hair reduction can be also used for the treatment of some medical conditions. Troublesome folliculitis of the back, beard area or in groin and even hidradenitis suppurativa can be helped with laser hair removal.

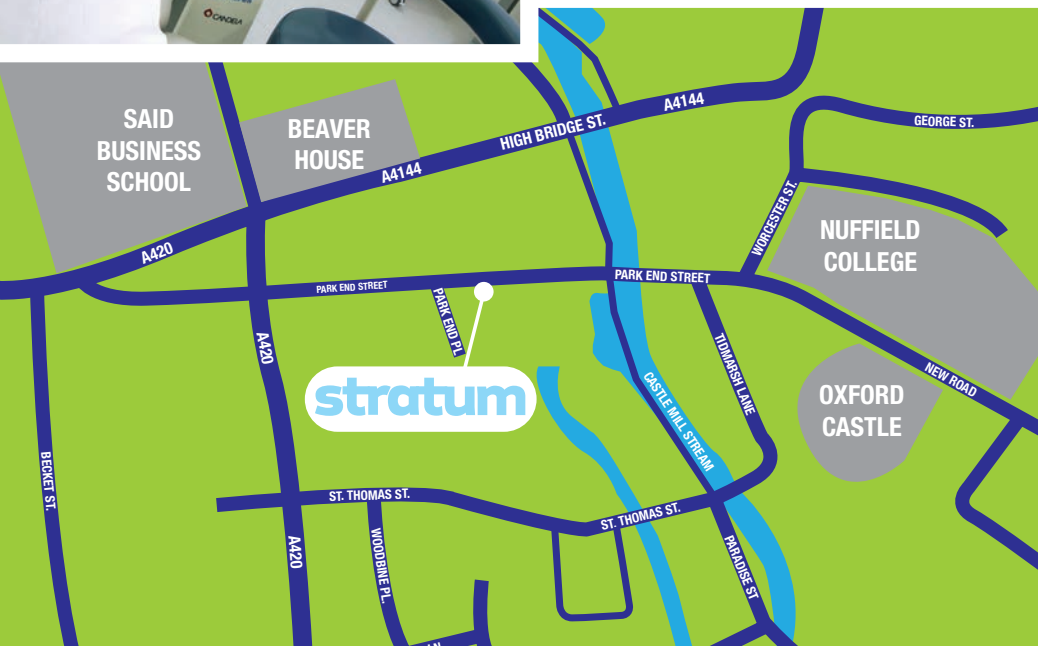


## Do your patients just want to look a little better?

Stratum offers a full range of aesthetic treatments, which includes botulinum toxin, injectable fillers, and microsclerotherapy. There is also a "state of the art" radiofrequency/magnetic pulsed machine.

For hair removal we use the highly effective combination of alexandrite and neodymium-YAG laser, including a new Q-switched laser with higher peak powers.

This enables us to achieve good results in all skin types including racially pigmented skin. This is a group significantly troubled by unwanted hair growth.



## How we can help Psychologically?

Most patients with skin disease of any severity suffer from some kind of psychological discomfort but in some their skin condition can have a very severe psychological impact.

In some their skin condition can be significantly worsened by a compulsive picking disorder in which they are trapped in an addictive cycle of picking their skin which obviously only exacerbates the original skin complaint.

There is also the more widely recognised and discussed condition called body dysmorphic (BDD) syndrome. Patients with BDD become consumed by an obsessive and abnormal focus on a small or modest imperfection. This condition can have devastating consequences. It is especially important to be aware of this condition in a setting offering aesthetic treatments.



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