

# Cross-Party Group on Life Sciences

**Tuesday 28<sup>TH</sup> May 2019, Committee Room 5  
Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh  
5.40pm – 7.00pm**

- 5.40pm**      **Arrival of MSP's, participants and observers**
- 5.45pm**      **Opening, Welcome and Introductions, Vice Convener, Graham Simpson MSP**
- 5.50pm**      **Minutes of the previous meeting (6<sup>th</sup> February 2019)**
- 5.55pm**      **Sir Harry Burns, Professor of Global Public Health, University of Strathclyde**  
*Sir Harry Burns will join us to present and discuss his present work on artificial intelligence and Life Sciences.*  
**Q & A**
- 6.25pm**      **5 Minute Interval**
- 6.30pm**      **Dr Holly Butler, Research Director, ClinSpec Diagnostics**  
*Dr Holly Butler is a former research scientist at the University of Strathclyde, part of the team developing the world's first cost effective blood test for the early detection of brain cancer. The technology has resulted in the formation of ClinSpec Diagnostics, the company spearheading the uptake of the test into the health services to improve patient survival and quality of life. As Research Director, Holly is spanning the research and commercial sides of the business, aiming to have the test available to GPs by 2021.*  
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- 7.00pm**      **Close**