

British Thoracic Society Summer Meeting 2026

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Manchester Central Convention Complex

Exchange Hall, The Exchange Suite, MCCC, Petersfield, Manchester, M2 3QX

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