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This new call will be formally launched at an event on the Friday 14 November 2014 from 10.30am – 12.30pm.

Please [register your interest](#) to attend the launch event.

Full call details will be published on the Medical Sciences Division website shortly and questions should be directed to [Leila Whitworth](#).

Sign up [here](#) to receive a weekly digest of all events/seminars/talks/workshops taking place across the Division

In the recent [Consultation on Seminar Communications](#) 91% of respondents said they would like to receive a weekly digest of events taking place across the division. Over the past few months, we have been working with departmental communication colleagues and event organisers, to ensure, where possible, that all events are added to a central event calendar (Oxford Talks), which in turn allows us to more easily create a digest of events. We are now in the position to offer staff and students a weekly digest, which will be delivered via email every Friday, listing the events for the following week. To receive the digest, please sign up [here](#). (This will open up a new email in your email client – just hit send and it will automatically subscribe you at that email address. Alternatively, go to https://web.maillist.ox.ac.uk/ox/info/msd_events. You will be asked to log in and can then subscribe to the list by clicking the subscribe button on the left.)

Oxford Talks is currently being rebuilt and there are plans for the new version to allow for personalised digests (e.g. talks filtered by subject area). We hope to be able to offer this solution in due course. More detailed information and timescales are available on the Oxford Talks website and project site (<http://talks.ox.ac.uk> | <https://sharepoint.nexus.ox.ac.uk/oxfordtalks>).

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From Professor Alastair Buchan, Dean of Medicine and Head of Division

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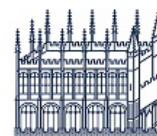
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Important Updates

Presentations and discussions of the MSD culture change survey results

Wellcome Trust New and Senior Investigator Awards: Letter of Support All applicants should inform Leila Whitworth by Friday 24 October

Old Road Campus Developments and Updates New divisional intranet pages launched to help keep you up to date with ORC developments

Receive a weekly digest of all MSD events

Lay Research Ethics Committee member sought

Open Access Week Events for MSD staff

New version of research data management induction resources available

Bringing Isis Innovation closer to researchers Isis Innovation is pleased to announce the opening of five new hot-desks in Oxford University departments

Oxford University Hospitals wants you! Did you know that staff working for the University of Oxford in a department within the Medical Sciences Division can apply to become a member of the staff constituency?

New bus service to Headington sites The Oxford Bus Company recently launched the city600 bus service, which links the Pear Tree Park and Ride site with the South Parks science area and the John Radcliffe hospital

Funding Opportunities

OUCAGS funding to support Clinical Lecturers with caring responsibilities: 2014-15 scheme now open!

Fellowship Opportunities

AXA Junior Research Fellowship (aka Post-doctoral Fellowship) Applications Process 2015 Expression of Interest deadline 30th October 2014

Canadian Rhodes Scholars' Foundation Scholarship For post graduate study at a Canadian University from September 2015

JSPS London Pre/Postdoctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers (Short Term) Application Deadline: Monday, 1 December 2014 Fellowships must start between 1 May 2015 to 31 March 2016

Engagement Opportunities

Oxford Sparks Public Engagement Training Oxford Sparks (www.oxfordsparks.net) is running further training courses and networking events in public engagement and science communication during Michaelmas Term 2014.

Public Engagement Troubleshooting and Advice Sessions 45 minute one-to-one session available to try and tackle some of your tricky issues in public engagement

Ada Lovelace - Wikipedia Editathon Tuesday 14 October

BBSRC Knit-a-bug: The Great British Bioscience Knitting Competition

Do you have a TV documentary idea? Media engagement opportunities for Oxford academics

Volunteer Opportunities

Healthy volunteers and depressed individuals required for brain scanning study

Brain study on anxiety and depression seeks volunteers

Clinical Vaccine Trials The Jenner Institute are developing vaccines against major global diseases and want healthy volunteers aged 18 to 55 to take part in trials of them.

OxWATCH study now recruiting! We are looking for women between the ages of 18 and 40 who are hoping to become pregnant with their first child, and have an Oxfordshire home address

Other Items of Interest

Oxford Genomics Centre Winter Forum Thu 6 Nov 2014. Registration now open!! High Resolution Genomics: Current and Future Opportunities in Oxford

Mental Health Conference: A Global Focus and the Lancet Psychiatry Poster Prize Saturday 1 November 2014, Green Templeton College, Oxford

Researchfish Demonstrations Friday 17 October

Women in Academic Science: Role Models of Success at Oxford 6 November 2014, 5.30 pm - 7.45 pm, Maths Institute Lecture Theatre 2

Frith Photography Prize 2014 Win £100/£80/£50 and have your photo displayed at our exhibition in November

Continuing Education Open Day Tuesday 4 November

Careers Events for Research Staff Michaelmas Term New Career Seminars in the Science Area, Careers workshops for research staff, Academic Application and Interview Skills for Researchers, MBTI workshop for Researchers, One to one appointments

Oxford Martin School Michaelmas Term Seminar Series Health in the 21st Century: what's new?

Your feedback on Oxford Academic Health Sciences Network sought

Bioscience Technology Insight Day Wednesday 12 November 2014

OneStart competition - Your chance to win £100k to realise your life science business idea

AND FINALLY...GET INVOLVED IN PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: TRAINING AND TROUBLESHOOTING SESSIONS OFFERED TO ALL MSD STAFF



Do you want to get involved in public engagement, but not sure where to start? Do you want to learn how to move away from PowerPoint and make your talks more engaging? Or perhaps you want to find out how to use Twitter to communicate your research?

Join us at one of our free [training courses or networking events](#), or [book a 45 minute one-to-one session](#) with a public engagement expert. Events, courses and 1:1 sessions are offered on all three MSD campuses (John Radcliffe, Old Road and South Park Road).

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Medical Sciences Division Heads of Department and Board members met for the Annual MSD Away Day on the 11 September 2014 at Rycote Park. This year, the Away Day focussed on forging a sense of common Divisional purpose in three science areas: Genomics, Cellular Science and Dementia. Discussions coalesced around strategies to increase and to better support collaborative working across MSD and Oxford.

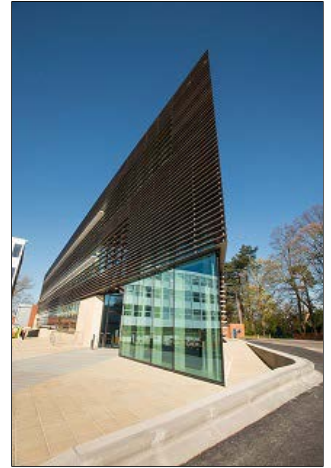
During the summer, the Medical Sciences Division, alongside a number of other MSD units, pledged its support to the All Trials campaign. The campaign advocates for all clinical trials to be registered, and their results reported. We feel it is essential that all clinical trials and their outputs are open and transparent, in order to improve public health and healthcare policy, and are pleased to support this campaign. To find out more about the campaign, please see <http://www.alltrials.net/find-out-more/videos/>.

Finally, I would like to thank all staff and students who baked, bought and consumed cakes at the recent World's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Together, we raised over £330 for the charity – quite an achievement in just an hour and half. We may well have a future Bake Off star in the Divisional Office!

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What constitutes a Capital Project?

In the University context, a Capital Project will normally have a value in excess of £100,000.

And can you tell us more about the Old Road Campus developments.

Major construction works are planned on the Old Road Campus. These are in line with the building plots identified in the outline planning permission for the combined Old Road Campus and Park Hospital master plan. The Big Data Institute and Nuffield Department of Population Health building will be constructed in between the existing Kennedy Institute and new NDM Research Building.

There will be a series of temporary accommodations placed on the Park Hospital site, as well as work in the Henry Wellcome Centre for Human Genetics and Richard Doll Building, to allow for the relocation of staff currently housed in the New Richards and Rosemary Rue Buildings. These buildings are to be temporarily relocated in the case of the New Richards and demolition is scheduled for the Rosemary Rue Building.

In 2015, work is planned to start on the Amenities facility and it is anticipated that there will be the opening of a new nursery on the site in the Triangle building.

The combination of all these construction activities will impact staff on the site, and we understand that this may cause some inconvenience. We will provide updates on the development work throughout the period on our new dedicated [webpages](#). We appreciate everyone's assistance and accommodation of the building work during the next year or two. Old Road Campus houses one of the largest concentrations of biomedical expertise in the world, and these new developments will only help strengthen what is already a very diverse and exciting research community.

Related links:

[Old Road Campus Developments and Updates](#) (Divisional intranet, University network only)

[Capital Projects](#)

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Affective neuroscience has tended to focus on vulnerabilities with much less research on resilience and mental wellbeing. We continue to investigate vulnerability but a major focus of our lab also concerns the question of "What is a Healthy Mind"? In particular we are interested in investigating the cognitive, neural and genetic markers of resilience and optimal mental health.



There's been a lot of talk recently about "cognitive bias." Can you explain it in terms of your research?

Cognitive models of information processing suggest that selectivity in how we notice, interpret and remember information from our everyday lives can have a real impact on our wellbeing. For instance, people who are prone to anxiety are more likely to allocate their attention to threat-related information and more likely to interpret ambiguous social situations in a highly negative way. These "cognitive biases" generally operate outside our conscious awareness and play a role in the development of psychological problems as well as playing a role in maintaining anxiety and depression. Our lab investigates a range of cognitive training techniques designed to modify potentially "toxic" biases and improve emotional regulation in order to provide people with the cognitive tools to better withstand stressful situations.



What's one of the more interesting things we are investigating?

There is increasing interest in identifying the cognitive, neural and genetic markers of emotional vulnerability and resilience, but until recently these lines of research have been fairly independent. A large literature investigates the role of cognitive biases, while an equally large literature investigates the influence of certain genetic variants – called 'single nucleotide polymorphisms' (SNPs) on mental wellbeing and reactivity to stress. Attempting to bring these two fields together to understand how certain SNPs might interact with certain cognitive biases to influence the development of vulnerability and resilience brings many challenges. We recently combined a cognitive approach intended to modify emotion-related biases in attention, with differential "susceptibility" genotypes on the serotonin transporter gene, a gene thought to play an important role in the development of emotional vulnerability. Those with the so-called "risky" version of this gene developed a stronger negative attentional bias when trained

to orient towards threat, relative to those with the putative "protective" variant as expected. Of more surprise, when trained to selectively process *positive* material, it was also this same group who developed a stronger positive bias. In other words, those with the risky genotype were more sensitive to learning environments in general, whether positive or negative, providing a cognitive mechanism through which genes may confer differential sensitivity to the environment.

Our current work will assess several genotypes in tandem rather than single genes. This is because previous research has been limited by examining just a single gene when it's likely that multiple genes and gene-gene interactions are involved in sensitizing the brain systems that underlie emotional learning. Identifying which particular genes are important is not trivial, of course, and this is one of the real challenges for our research. Another issue is that research on the cognitive and genetic aspects of resilience and human flourishing is in its infancy and our research aims to take this forward so that we can ultimately understand as much about what makes us flourish as we know about what makes us flounder.

Why is this work important?

The current approach affords an exciting opportunity to investigate the implications of how genes and environments interact and interleave to influence the cognitive processing styles and biases that underpin emotional vulnerability and resilience. This approach brings the prospect of developing truly individual and personalized therapies and interventions. We use a multi-disciplinary approach – cutting across cognitive psychology, molecular genetics, and cognitive neuroscience – and anticipate that the project will build a strong basis of translational research in order to develop new cognitive interventions to reduce emotional vulnerability and to enhance resilience at an

individual level.

What are the bigger questions in your field?

There are three big questions in our field. First, how do we identify people who are prone to serious psychological problems such as anxiety, depression and addiction? Second, can we develop novel and easy to implement treatments to help prevent the development of affective problems? Third, how do we boost mental wellbeing and help people to truly flourish?

In order to answer these questions, I believe that we need truly interdisciplinary research that takes into account the social, genetic and cognitive factors that tip people towards vulnerability or resilience. A major challenge is to translate the results of basic psychological science into new interventions to help improve peoples' lives. Being based in Oxford presents wonderful opportunities to harness new developments in genetics, cognitive neuroscience and psychology to enhance our understanding of fundamental mechanisms so that we can develop more tailor-made cognitive interventions to help boost mental wellbeing.

Who is in the lab?

The OCEAN is a new group founded in 2013. It is currently a small but growing mixture of experimental and clinical psychologists who bring a diverse range of skills to the lab. Full details about our group can be found on our [website](#).

Links:

[Oxford Centre for Emotions and Affective Neuroscience\(OCEAN\)](#)

[Department of Experimental Psychology](#)

[Prof Fox's *Rainy Brain*, *Sunny Brain* book website](#)

[CogBIAS Project](#)

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Images:

Top: Professor Elaine Fox

Middle: Some of Prof Fox's lab group: (from left to right) Anne-Wil Kruijt, Lauren Heathcote, Charlotte Booth, Desiree Spronk, Elaine Fox

Would you like your lab/centre/unit to feature in a future issue of Lab Talk? For further information, please contact communications@medsci.ox.ac.uk.

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Visit by Prof Paul Walton (Department of Chemistry, University of York)



On October 3rd Professor Paul Walton visited Oxford to share some of his experiences in achieving and retaining a Gold Athena SWAN award for the Department of Chemistry at the University of York, the first department to receive this level of award. Prof Walton has been a champion for gender equality since the early 2000s and emphasises that his goal is “not just to help women but to attract, retain and support the very best talent”.

During the morning Prof Walton met with Head of MSD, Prof Alastair Buchan, Head of MPLS, Prof Alex Halliday and Pro Vice Chancellor (Personnel and Equality) Stephen Goss along with several Heads of Departments from MSD and MPLS. Prof Walton shared successful examples of the work he has led at York, including the promotion of part-time working for academic staff and switching from quantity to quality based measures. During the afternoon Prof Walton met with departmental Athena SWAN champions and administrators to discuss good practice and the challenges of implementing Athena SWAN action plans.

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Talks and Events

Women in Academic Science: Role Models of Success at Oxford

The Alumni Office and the Equality and Diversity Unit are organising a panel discussion with several of Oxford's leading female scientists. The panellists will discuss their experiences, give advice for navigating career paths in academic science and share what they wish they had known as junior scientists. The discussion will be followed by drinks and an opportunity for networking.

Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Personnel and Equality, Sally Mapstone, will chair the panel which is comprised of:

Fran Ashcroft – Professor of Physiology

Katherine Blundell – Professor of Astrophysics

Sadie Creese – Professor of Cybersecurity

Dame Frances Kirwan DBE – Professor of Mathematics

Susan Lea – Professor of Chemical Pathology; Microbiology

Kia Nobre – Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience

Irene Tracy – Professor of Anaesthetic Science

For any questions, please contact maya.evans@alumni.ox.ac.uk. Details on how to book can be found here:

<https://www.alumniweb.ox.ac.uk/alumni-/events/alumni-events/womeninsciencemain>

Date: Thursday 6 November

Time: 5.30pm–7.45pm

Location: Lecture Theatre 2, Maths Institute

Cost: Free of charge, but registration required

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Women in Science in South Parks Road

This seminar series has been designed to highlight the lives and work done by individuals across the South Parks Science Area. The seminars will look at how people at different stages in their careers combine their working and personal lives.

In the next seminar of the series Prof Dame Kay Davies FRS (DPAG) will talk about her life as a woman in science. Hosted by Professor Jane Mellor (Department of Biochemistry) there will be the opportunity for questions, followed by networking over coffee and tea.

Date: Tuesday 18 November

Time: 11am–12pm

Location: Main Seminar Room, New Biochemistry Building, South Parks

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Articles and Resources

Hertford College celebrates 40 years of co-education

To [celebrate 40 years of co-education](#), Hertford College have replaced the all male Hall portraits with those of 21 female students and fellows connected to Hertford, including our own Prof Kay Davies and Prof Alison Woollard. Each woman was chosen after nominations by staff, students and alumni. Each woman included a short note about their experiences. The portraits will remain on display for the next academic year.

Gender balance among Royal Society University Research Fellowships

The Royal Society recently announced their University Research Fellowships for 2014. Out of 43 awards, only 2 were awarded to women with a success rate of just 2.7%, compared with a male success rate of 12.8%. In 2013 the success rates for men and women were 12.9% and 10.6%, respectively. The percentage of female applications in 2014 was in line with previous years and this dramatic decrease in success rates has prompted the President of the Royal Society, Paul Nurse, [to ask for an investigation](#).

The University of Cambridge's Gender Equality Champion Prof Athene Donald discusses the issue in her [blog](#) and makes several recommendations to improve the situation in years to come. These include asking the Royal Society to review the application form and guidance notes along with unconscious bias training for the panels.

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New MSD IT Services website



The new Medical Sciences Division IT Services website was launched on Monday 6 October 2014, at:

<http://www.imsu.ox.ac.uk>

New content and other developments are planned for the site over the coming weeks and months. Please visit our new website regularly, bookmark it, and report any problems to help@imsu.ox.ac.uk

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New IT Services websites



We are delighted to announce the launch of our new IT Services websites: www.it.ox.ac.uk and <http://help.it.ox.ac.uk>. These websites mark the final phase of the integration of the former three IT departments into the single IT Services which was formed in 2012.

- www.it.ox.ac.uk is the department's promotional site, making it clear what we do, demonstrating value and excellence, and highlighting our services and projects. Content has been rationalised and is more dynamic, focused on user needs, engagement and discovery.
- <http://help.it.ox.ac.uk> is a new help and support repository aimed at users of our services, including what to do when things aren't working and how to request services and products that we offer. The focus is on enabling self-help by providing users with clear and searchable information and tools that are applicable to the services they use. In time local IT support staff and the wider University will be able to engage with IT Services by commenting on and/or contributing content to allow a more flexible, organic conversation with IT Services.

One of the most significant changes is that the old OUCS, BSP and ICTST sites have been replaced as a result of the project. This means that all URLs beginning

- <http://www.oucs.ox.ac.uk/>
- <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/bsp/>

are no longer publicly available, and <http://www.ict.ox.ac.uk/> will be withdrawn in due course. We have applied redirects to relevant content within the new help.it.ox.ac.uk or www.it.ox.ac.uk to minimise the impact of the change. If you currently link to any information on the old OUCS, BSP and ICTST sites please check for broken links. If you have any issues or if redirects are not appropriate for any reasons please contact webmaster@it.ox.ac.uk.

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The Online Research Database Service (ORDS)



The Online Research Database Service (ORDS) is now live. The ORDS has been developed by IT Services staff and will now become part of the IT Services service portfolio.

The ORDS is a free, centrally-supported, online service where researchers can create, edit, search and share their research data. The service is open to all research staff and postgraduate research students at the University of Oxford, plus their collaborators. Users can upload existing databases and spreadsheets into the ORDS, or create new databases from scratch. Different project members can be assigned different levels of permission, to ensure that only those people who ought to be able to edit the data can do so, whilst others can see and query the data that is already there. Data can be exported from the ORDS into almost all popular data analysis software. The ORDS comes with its own online viewing, editing, and querying interfaces, but the data in ORDS can also be accessed via custom-built websites or popular database management software. All data is hosted within the

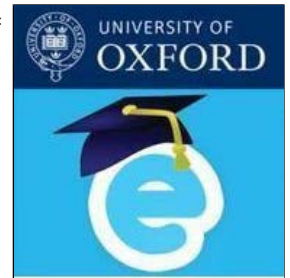
University. Further information about the ORDS Service, plus the link to the ORDS registration and log-in page, can be found on the [ORDS website](#). Questions relating to the ORDS should be addressed to ords@it.ox.ac.uk.

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Engage: Social Media Michaelmas

For the third year running [IT Services](#) are organising a series of talks and presentations for [Engage: Social Media Michaelmas](#). The [Engage \(#Oxengage\) programme](#) offers a full term of events (lunchtime seminars, courses, workshops etc.) to explore different social media strategies and digital tools for use in an academic setting. Through hearing the experiences of others, the sessions aim to inspire researchers, staff and postgraduates to consider using social media and digital technology to develop their online presence for impact, outreach and public engagement. Alongside these events attendees are encouraged to participate in the self-directed online programme [23 Things for Research](#).



One particular highlight of this year's Engage programme is the annual [Ada Lovelace editathon](#) event which will be held on 14th October. To celebrate female achievements in the sciences, come join us (and a trainer from Wikipedia) in editing and updating relevant entries for key women who have made significant contributions to world knowledge and understanding.

Don't miss out on this exciting series which runs between 14th October and 27th November! Follow the Engage [blog](#) and [Facebook page](#) to hear all the latest updates.

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[Things to do with Data – a series of lunchtime talks](#)



The '[Things to do with Data](#)' series of Wednesday lunchtime talks is back! Aimed at researchers from all disciplines who generate, gather, or delicately prise out pearls of data, this series looks at software, services, and techniques to help you make the most of that data. Covering aspects of data management from planning to re-use, these talks are intended to inspire whilst also considering the practical requirements of research funders and issues surrounding data sharing.

Last term we covered data security in the cloud, resources for research data managers, tools to help describe and share data in the life sciences, supercomputing data, and lab data management environments amongst other things. This term we have talks lined up on data visualization, network analysis, systems for managing medical data, and data as intellectual property, along with introductions to tools and services that might just help you look after your data more effectively. Featuring a mixture of IT staff and researchers from Oxford and beyond, 'Things to do with Data' will be making Wednesdays better between weeks 2 and 7.

Slides and recordings of last term's talk are available from <http://blogs.it.ox.ac.uk/acit-rs-team/events/rdmcourses/datatalks2014trinity/>

This term's programme is as follows:

22nd October, 2014 – [An introduction to research data management](#) (Dr Meriel Patrick, IT Services)

29th October, 2014 – [The Online Research Database Service \(ORDS\)](#) (Dr James A J Wilson, IT Services)

5th November, 2014 – [Computer analysis of texts and interviews](#) (Justin Lane, Institute of Cognitive & Evolutionary Anthropology)

12th November, 2014 – [Biomedical research databases & data publishing](#) (Dr Jonathan Tedds, Director of Health And Research Data Informatics, University of Leicester)

19th November, 2014 – [Four levels of data visualization](#) (Prof. Min Chen, Oxford e-Research Centre)

26th November, 2014 – [Data ownership, IPR, and the Cloud](#) (Rowan Wilson, IT Services)

The talks will be hosted by the Research Support team and the IT Learning Programme, and will be held at IT Services in the 13 Banbury Road building.

All talks begin at 12:30 and conclude at 1:30.

We hope to see lots of you there!

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Welcome to new Research Students in the Medical Sciences Division

We're here to support you in a number of ways:

- Online Journals, Books & Databases – Access to thousands of online journals, ebooks, databases and other online resources from anywhere on the Internet using your Oxford Single Sign-On.
- Group & One-to-One Training – Training or advice sessions from our Outreach and Subject Librarians – at a time to suit you in your department or in our libraries.
- Help with Searching & Keeping Up-to-Date – Your Outreach or Subject Librarian is an expert searcher and can help you develop your literature searches in support of activities such as systematic reviews, research bids or project bids.
- Modern & Comfortable Spaces – Our libraries provide access to a wide range of IT facilities and software packages (24/7 at the Cairns), well-equipped group study and training rooms, and quiet study spaces with easy access to large collections of books and journals, WiFi, and breakout spaces.
- Support for Writing Articles & Theses – We can help you find relevant journals to publish in, help you run your literature search and help you manage your references. We can also provide advice on topics such as impact factors, altmetrics, how best to comply with funding bodies' open access policies and how to get funding for article processing charges (APCs).



Please contact us for help and advice :

- Clinical Medicine www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/medicine
- Non-Clinical Medicine www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/science
- LibGuide MSD Research Resources ox.libguides.com/medsci

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Key Resource – BMJ Case Reports

We are delighted to announce that we have renewed our subscription to this online journal for both the University and the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust. BMJ Case Reports has become the largest single online repository of medical cases, with submissions from more than 70 countries. To submit a paper to BMJ Case Reports free of charge please contact us for the Institutional 'Fellowship Code' at hcl-enquiries@bodleian.ox.ac.uk

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Farewell to Anne Gerrish

Anne Gerrish, Cataloguing and Acquisitions Librarian at the Bodleian Health Care Libraries, is retiring at the end of September. Anne has worked in BHCL since 1994, and her colleagues will miss her enthusiasm, support and friendship. We'd like to thank Anne for her hard work, wish her all the best and hope she enjoys a long and happy retirement.

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Staff news

Karine Barker has been appointed Life Sciences and Medicine Librarian on a temporary secondment until March 2015. Karine is the new contact Librarian for users of the departments of Biochemistry, Pathology, Pharmacology and users in non-clinical medicine. She retains her role as Subject Librarian for the departments of Experimental Psychology (EP) and Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics (DPAG). During this secondment period she will be assisted by Karen Langdon. Karen's time will be divided between her responsibility as Document Supply Supervisor and her new role as Subject Librarian for EP and DPAG.

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Book at <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TZ006>

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Tuesday 21st October 2014, 12–1pm

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How Can the Wellcome Trust Help You With Open Access?

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Drop-in session with tea

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Sarah Barkla and Jason Partridge (Bodleian Libraries)

Thursday 23rd October 2014, 10–11am

Manor Road Building (Seminar Room C)

Book at <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TZF9>

The Charity Open Access Fund: What Researchers Need to Know

Margaret Hurley (Wellcome Trust)

Friday 24th October 2014, 11.30am–12.30pm

Cairns Library, John Radcliffe Hospital

Book at <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TZ008>

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Engagement Opportunities

Oxford Sparks Public Engagement Training Oxford Sparks (www.oxfordsparks.net) is running further training courses and networking events in public engagement and science communication during Michaelmas Term 2014.

Public Engagement Troubleshooting and Advice Sessions 45 minute one-to-one session available to try and tackle some of your tricky issues in public engagement

Ada Lovelace – Wikipedia Editathon Tuesday 14 October

BBSRC Knit-a-bug: The Great British Bioscience Knitting Competition

Do you have a TV documentary idea? Media engagement opportunities for Oxford academics

Volunteer Opportunities

Healthy volunteers and depressed individuals required for brain scanning study

Brain study on anxiety and depression seeks volunteers

Clinical Vaccine Trials The Jenner Institute are developing vaccines against major global diseases and want healthy volunteers aged 18 to 55 to take part in trials of them.

OxWATCH study now recruiting! We are looking for women between the ages of 18 and 40 who are hoping to become pregnant with their first child, and have an Oxfordshire home address

Other Items of Interest

Oxford Genomics Centre Winter Forum Thu 6 Nov 2014. Registration now open!! High Resolution Genomics: Current and Future Opportunities in Oxford

Mental Health Conference: A Global Focus and the Lancet Psychiatry Poster Prize Saturday 1 November 2014, Green Templeton College, Oxford

Researchfish Demonstrations Friday 17 October

Women in Academic Science: Role Models of Success at Oxford 6 November 2014, 5.30 pm – 7.45 pm, Maths Institute Lecture Theatre 2

Frith Photography Prize 2014 Win £100/£80/£50 and have your photo displayed at our exhibition in November

Continuing Education Open Day Tuesday 4 November

Careers Events for Research Staff Michaelmas Term New Career Seminars in the Science Area, Careers workshops for research staff, Academic Application and Interview Skills for Researchers, MBTI workshop for Researchers, One to one appointments

Oxford Martin School Michaelmas Term Seminar Series Health in the 21st Century: what's new?

Your feedback on Oxford Academic Health Sciences Network sought

Bioscience Technology Insight Day Wednesday 12 November 2014

OneStart competition - Your chance to win £100k to realise your life science business idea

And Finally...

Get Involved in Public Engagement: Training and Troubleshooting Sessions offered to all MSD staff

Do you want to get involved in public engagement, but not sure where to start? Do you want to learn how to move away from PowerPoint and make your talks more engaging? Or perhaps you want to find out how to use Twitter to communicate your research?



Join us at one of our free [training courses](#) or [networking events](#), or [book a 45 minute one-to-one session](#) with a public engagement expert. Events, courses and 1:1 sessions are offered on all three MSD campuses (John Radcliffe, Old Road and South Park Road).

Presentations and discussions of the MSD culture change survey results



In Hilary Term, 2407 (63%) MSD faculty and staff members participated in the C-Change survey. This in-depth assessment of the current culture will compare Oxford to the leading US institutions in terms of faculty and staff engagement vitality, institutional/personal values alignment, gender and minority equity, leadership aspirations, ethical/moral distress, work-life integration, career self-efficacy, institutional support and mentoring. The results will help us understand how to create a more supportive, inclusive, and engaging culture for all academic/research faculty and administrative/support staff.

Dr Linda Pololi, MBBS, FRCP, Director of the US National Initiative on Gender, Culture, and Leadership in Medicine, Brandeis University, will come to Oxford to deliver the results in person. There will be three presentations in November on the JR, Old Road, and South Parks Road campuses. The presentations are designed to be interactive, and reactions and opinions to the results will be encouraged as well as suggestions for actions in relation to the findings. The presentations are open to all, although booking will be required for catering and health and safety purposes.

Details of the presentations are as follows:

Wed 12 November – Lecture Theatre 1, John Radcliffe Hospital

9.30 until 11.00am

Tea/coffee and pastries will be offered from 9am

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12.30 until 2pm

A sandwich lunch will be offered from 12pm

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Please select the date and site that are most convenient for you and book your place here:

<https://bookwhen.com/c-change>

Oxford Sparks Public Engagement Training

Oxford Sparks (www.oxfordsparks.net) is running further training courses and networking events in public engagement and science communication during Michaelmas Term 2014.

Introduction to Public Engagement and Science Communication

1130–1330, Friday 17 October 2014

1400–1600, Friday 24 October 2014



A whistle stop tour which will get you considering the needs of different audiences, meeting researchers who actively engage with the public and thinking about how you might share your research with the public.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40104>

Social Media for Communicating Science

1400–1600, Tuesday 4 November 2014

1400–1600, Tuesday 3 February 2015

A practical introduction to using social media tools to develop and maintain an online presence, and how to start defining your audience and developing strategies for engagement.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40110>

Narrative Skills

0930 –1700, Monday 17 November 2014 – Banbury Road.

0930 –1700, Monday 23 February 2015 – – John Radcliffe Hospital.

Using your own research and interests, learn the essential ingredients of a compelling narrative, how to draw an audience into a story and keep them involved, and how to turn your story into an effective 'pitch'.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40106>

Networking Event: Seven Secrets of Great Videos

1230–1330, Thursday 30 October 2014

Making videos? Getting other people to make videos? Regardless of what you're planning, this fun, gently interactive talk will show what separates good video from great.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D004D100894>

These courses are available to all graduate students and research staff, and are part of a wider range of researcher training opportunities: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/portal/hierarchy/grad/>

Further information on training opportunities in public engagement and science communication, at Oxford and further afield, can be found on the Oxford Sparks website: www.oxfordsparks.net/training

Public Engagement Troubleshooting and Advice Sessions

45 minute one-to-one session available to try and tackle some of your tricky issues in public engagement

- Have a grant application closing soon and not sure what to put in the public engagement section?
- Got a blog, but you're not getting many visitors?
- Want to get involved in public engagement, but not sure where to start? (... and you've looked at <http://www.oxfordsparks.net/getting-started-public-engagement>)



We can help with a 45 minute one-to-one session to try and tackle some of your tricky issues in public engagement.

A small number of slots are available during October 2014:

Wed 8 October: 1400-1445; 1500-1545 - Science Area

Fri 10 October: 1000-1045; 1100-1145; 1400-1445; 1500-1545 - John Radcliffe Hospital

Wed 15 October: 1400-1445; 1500-1545 - Science Area

Fri 17 October: 1000-1045; 1100-1145; 1400-1445; 1500-1545 - John Radcliffe Hospital

Wed 22 October: 1400-1445; 1500-1545 - Science Area

Fri 24 October: 1000-1045; 1100-1145; 1400-1445; 1500-1545 - John Radcliffe Hospital

To book, send an email to:

annabel.cook@mpls.ox.ac.uk

In your email, clearly state your first and second choice of date and time. We will do our best to accommodate you.

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Wellcome Trust New and Senior Investigator Awards: Letter of Support

All applicants should inform Leila Whitworth by Friday 24 October

The next Wellcome Trust new and senior investigator awards deadline is on the Friday 14 November. **If you are planning to submit an application you must inform Leila Whitworth (leila.whitworth@medsci.ox.ac.uk) no later than the Friday 24 October to arrange the letter of support, which will be provided by the Divisional Office.**

It is in your interest to let us know as soon as possible about your application as additional guidance documents, which have been prepared in consultation with Wellcome Trust panel members, are available to help you prepare your application. Please also be reminded that the Research Services submission deadline is 5 working days before the sponsor deadline.

Old Road Campus Developments and Updates

New divisional intranet pages launched to help keep you up to date with ORC developments

Construction activities on Old Road Campus may well impact staff on the site, and we understand that this may cause some inconvenience. We will provide updates on the development work throughout the period on our new dedicated webpages (on Divisional intranet, university network only).

Find out more in this month's Sixty Second interview with [Dr Eveline James, Divisional Manager \(Capital Projects and Estates\)](#).

Receive a weekly digest of all MSD events

In the recent [Consultation on Seminar Communications](#) 91% of respondents said they would like to receive a weekly digest of events taking place across the division. Over the past few months, we have been working with departmental communication colleagues and event organisers, to ensure, where possible, that all events are added to a central event calendar (Oxford Talks), which in turn allows us to more easily create a digest of events. We are now in the position to offer staff and students a weekly digest, which will be delivered via email every Friday, listing the events for the following week. **To receive the digest, please sign up [here](#). (This will open up a new email in your email client – just hit send and it will automatically subscribe you at that email address. Alternatively, go to https://web.maillist.ox.ac.uk/ox/info/msd_events. You will be asked to log in and can then subscribe to the list by clicking the subscribe button on the left.)**

Oxford Talks is currently being rebuilt and there are plans for the new version to allow for personalised digests (e.g. talks filtered by subject area). We hope to be able to offer this solution in due course. More detailed information and timescales are available on the Oxford Talks website and project site (<http://talks.ox.ac.uk> | <https://sharepoint.nexus.ox.ac.uk/oxfordtalks>).

Lay Research Ethics Committee member sought

A volunteer external member is being sought by Oxford University's Medical Sciences Inter-Divisional Research Ethics Committees, to serve on the committee considering the ethics of the University's research studies with human participants in the medical sciences. Applicants should not be engaged or connected to research with human participants. The committee meets twice termly in Oxford (reasonable travel expenses are refundable), and reviews matters by correspondence between meetings.

For further details, please contact Mrs Gill Halstead: 01865 616577, gill.halstead@admin.ox.ac.uk, from whom further particulars are available.

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Book at <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TZ006>

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Book at <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TZF9>

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Margaret Hurley (Wellcome Trust)

Friday 24th October 2014, 11.30am–12.30pm

Cairns Library, John Radcliffe Hospital

Book at <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TZ008>

New version of research data management induction resources available

The IT Services [Research Support team](#) is pleased to announce the release of a new version of their research data management induction resources.

The resources consist of short PowerPoint presentations (with comprehensive presenter's notes), plus a hand-out. They are designed for use with new researchers (including postgraduate research students), to give a quick overview of key issues, and to provide pointers to further information.



The resources can be found at

<http://research.it.ox.ac.uk/rdm-induction-resources>

Please feel free to circulate this URL to anyone who might find this useful. If you would like any further information, please email researchsupport@it.ox.ac.uk.

Bringing Isis Innovation closer to researchers

Isis Innovation is pleased to announce the opening of five new hot-desks in Oxford University departments

These hot-desks will serve as easy access points for Oxford researchers, students and support staff to talk to Isis about intellectual property, technology transfer or academic consultancy.

The creation of the Isis hot-desks has been achieved in collaboration with the hosting departments and all are now fully operational. It is hoped that the presence of Isis staff at the hot-desks will make it easier for staff from both hosting and nearby departments to access Isis expertise and advice.



For further information, please see <http://www.isis-innovation.com/researchers/Departments/Spokes.html>

The departments currently hosting new Isis hot-desks are as follows:

DPAG (Le Gros Clark building basement):

- Every Monday 9am–5pm
- Hot-desk co-ordinator weng.wong@isis.ox.ac.uk
- Tel no. during hot-desk hours: 01865 (2)82349 and (2)82348

The Kennedy Institute (room 10.40):

- Every Friday 9am–5pm
- Hot-desk co-ordinator Nikolaos.chalkias@isis.ox.ac.uk
- Tel no. during hot-desk hours: 01865 (6)12661

Research Services at Worcester Street (ground floor in KEIT office):

- Every Friday 9am–12 noon
- Hot-desk co-ordinator Mairi.gibbs@isis.ox.ac.uk
- Tel no. during hot-desk hours: 01865 616580

Begbroke Science Park (Begbroke farm house):

- Every Monday 12 noon–5pm
- Hot-desk co-ordinator Richard.holliday@isis.ox.ac.uk
- Tel no. during hot-desk hours: 01865 (2)83786

SBS Launchpad:

- Every Friday 9am–12 noon
- Hot-desk co-ordinator Roy.azoulay@isis.ox.ac.uk
- No phone number – please email or ask James Murray, the Launchpad Curator

Plant Sciences (room 200):

- Every Thursday 9.30am–4.30pm
- Hot-desk co-ordinator angela.calvert@isis.ox.ac.uk

- Tel no. 01865 280870

These hot-desks complement the usual weekly drop-in sessions that Isis already runs in Chemistry, Engineering, Physics, the WIMM and bi-monthly in Maths. Isis will continue to explore the opportunity to establish others in locations such as the John Radcliffe hospital.

Current drop-in sessions in other departments:

Engineering

- Every Wednesday morning in the Holder Building Café
- Contact Andy Robertson [✉andy.robertson@isis.ox.ac.uk](mailto:andy.robertson@isis.ox.ac.uk)

Chemistry

- Every Friday morning 9–12 at Angela Russell's office, 2nd floor CRL
- Contact Andrew Bowen [✉andrew.bowen@isis.ox.ac.uk](mailto:andrew.bowen@isis.ox.ac.uk)

Physics

- Every Thursday morning 9–12 in the Denys Wilkinson Café West with occasional alternating visits in the Clarendon Lab Café East
- Contact Jon Carr [✉jon.carr@isis.ox.ac.uk](mailto:jon.carr@isis.ox.ac.uk)

WIMM

- Every Thursday morning 10–12, Central café in the WIMM: watch for announcements on the flat screen
- Contact Matt Carpenter [✉matthew.carpenter@isis.ox.ac.uk](mailto:matthew.carpenter@isis.ox.ac.uk)

Maths

- Bi-monthly, New Common Room in the Andrew Wiles Building
- Contact Andy Robertson [✉andy.robertson@isis.ox.ac.uk](mailto:andy.robertson@isis.ox.ac.uk)

If you have any questions about the hot-desks please contact Isis's University Relationship Manager, Dr Fiona Story, on [✉Fiona.story@isis.ox.ac.uk](mailto:Fiona.story@isis.ox.ac.uk). If you would like to book an appointment at a hot-desk please email the relevant co-ordinator or call the hot-desk number during its opening hours.

We are keen that we optimise the use of these hot-desks and welcome feedback from researchers on all aspects of their operation. If you are interested in establishing an Isis hot-desk in your department please contact Fiona Story – we would be pleased to hear from you.

About Isis Innovation

Isis manages the University's intellectual property portfolio, working with University researchers on identifying, protecting and marketing technologies through licensing, spin-out company formation, consulting and material sales. Isis funds patent applications and legal costs, negotiates exploitation and spin-out company agreements, and identifies and manages consultancy opportunities. Isis works on projects from all areas of the University's research activities: life sciences, physical sciences, social sciences and humanities. Isis provides access to Oxford's expertise and provides researchers with advice on commercialisation.

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Isis helps Oxford University researchers to commercialise intellectual property arising from their research: patenting, licensing, spin-out companies.

Isis manages [Oxford University Consulting](#) which helps Oxford University researchers to identify and manage consulting opportunities and helps clients access experts from Oxford's world-class, interdisciplinary research base.

<http://www.isis-innovation.com>

Oxford University Hospitals wants you!

Did you know that staff working for the University of Oxford in a department within the Medical Sciences Division can apply to become a member of the staff constituency?



Staff who work for the MSD are not automatically members even if they work on a Trust site – you need to sign up.

We hope that many MSD staff will want to become members and have a say in our future. Members are able to **vote** or **stand for election** to

the Council of Governors and are sent regular **newsletters** about updates on what is happening at the Trust as well as **invitations** to events. Staff can become members, either by completing a form, or by applying on-line at www.ouh.nhs.uk/ft.

New bus service to Headington sites

The Oxford Bus Company recently launched the city600 bus service, which links the Pear Tree Park and Ride site with the South Parks science area and the John Radcliffe hospital



This is a trial service and will run every 30 minutes from 9.50am until 3.20pm. However, if the service proves popular then the timetable may be extended.

The route taken by the 600 service from Pear Tree to the JR will be via Woodstock Road, Moreton Road, Banbury Road, Parks Road, South Parks Road, St Cross Road, Longwall Street, High Street, St Clement's, Headington Road and Headley Way.

For more information, timetable and route map see the Oxford Bus Company [website](#). If you have used the service please consider completing the short online survey, which is available on the [city600 page](#) of the Oxford Bus Company website.

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OUCAGS

Oxford University Clinical Academic Graduate School

Link to guidelines: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/T0mNFH>

Horizon 2020 ERC Starting and Consolidator grant application Workshops

The Research Services European Team will be running two workshops on Wednesday 15th October and Monday 3rd November for Oxford University ERC Starting and Consolidator grant applicants.

The ERC submission deadline for the 2015 Starting Grant call is 3 February (the call opens this week)

The ERC submission deadline for the 2015 Consolidator Grant call is 12 March (the call opens 13 November)

The workshops will be identical and will cover both schemes. Content will include the application process and proposal writing hints and tips for prospective applicants. There will be plenty of opportunity for questions. Both workshops are open to attendees of all disciplines, and may also be of interest to research facilitators/administrators.

The workshop dates and venues are:

Wednesday, 15 October (1.30–4.30pm) in the Sherrington Large Lecture Theatre, Department of Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics in the Parks Road Science Area: [map](#)

Monday 3 November (1.30–4.30pm) in the Welcome Trust Centre for Human Genetics on the Old Road Campus, Headington: [map](#)

Please register here for the event you would like to attend: [doodle poll](#)

Fellowship Opportunities

AXA Junior Research Fellowship (aka Post-doctoral Fellowship) Applications Process 2015

Expression of Interest deadline 30th October 2014

The AXA Group has resolved to award an additional 100 million Euros over five years for the period 2013 to 2018 to finance innovative research. There are a range of schemes/programs. Calls/invitations are sent to the designated program official in 'registered institutions' (Oxford is registered). AXA intends to award a number of two-year postdoctoral fellowships worth €60,000/per annum. As in previous years, Oxford is likely to be approved by the AXA Scientific Board to propose one candidate for this scheme. Interested candidates are asked to complete a brief [Expression of Interest\(EOI\)/Nomination Form – 2015](#) (94kb) and return it to their selected Department/Faculty no later than **30th October 2014**. Due to the fact that the AXA Scientific Board is likely to approve Oxford to propose only **one (1) candidate** for this round, Departments and Divisions are asked to select only **one candidate each** to go forward for final selection (please see updated process below).

Internal Oxford timetable and process:

- 6th October 2014:** Oxford call for expressions of interest opens.
- 30th October 2014:** [Expression of Interest\(EOI\)/Nomination Form – 2015](#) (94kb) due with University Departments/Faculties. Nominations must be made on the internal Oxford form (see 'Further Information' below). (Note: When filling in the internal nomination forms please keep the length of each section to under 150 words. Proposals do not go to AXA at this stage.)
- 6th November 2014:** Departments/Faculties each nominate a maximum of **one (1) candidate**, to the person below:
 - Humanities – to [Nick Ollivere](#), Humanities Divisional Office
 - Social Sciences – to [Sharron Pleydell-Pearce](#), Social Sciences Divisional Office
 - MPLS – to [Martin Edmunds](#), Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Office
 - MSD – to [Leila Whitworth](#), MedSci Divisional Office
- 13th November 2014:** Each Academic Division (where applicable) recommends to the PVC(R) (care of Ken Bedding, ken.bedding@admin.ox.ac.uk) 1 (one) candidate, to go forward for final selection.
- 14th – 21st November 2014 :** PVC(R) considers the candidates put forward by the divisions and selects 1 (one) applicant to be submitted to AXA.
- 24th November 2014:** Research Services shall lodge the name and email of the nominee with AXA.

AXA will then contact the nominee directly, who will have until the **15th December 2014** to submit their Outline proposal on the AXA application platform. Applicants who are successful through the outline stage will be notified by AXA and invited to submit a full-stage application by **19th March 2015**.

Further details of the full process are available from the [AXA Research Fund](#) website. Please note these expressions of interest are not lodged through or administered by RS Divisional Teams. Nor are (X5) costings required at this stage.

Research Services Contact:

[Ken Bedding](#), Research Funding Manager, 01865 (2)89896

Further Information:

- [Expression of Interest\(EOI\)/Nomination Form – 2015](#) (94kb)
- [AXA – Post-Doctoral Applications Guidelines](#) (PDF)
- [AXA Post Doctoral Applications 2015 – FAQs for eligibility criteria](#)

Canadian Rhodes Scholars' Foundation Scholarship

For post graduate study at a Canadian University from September 2015

One scholarship is offered through the generosity of the Canadian Rhodes Scholars' Foundation and provides allowance of C\$16,000 per year plus tuition fees and travel allowances.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic excellence and extra-curricular activities.

Would you like two years in Canada, and are you:

- An Oxford graduate who took Finals in June 2014
- An Oxford undergraduate who will take finals in June 2015
- A UK national

If so, we would like to hear from you.

Please contact sheila.partridge@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk for further details

Closing date for applications 21 November 2014

JSPS London Pre/Postdoctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers (Short Term) Application

Deadline: Monday, 1 December 2014 Fellowships must start between 1 May 2015 to 31 March 2016



Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) is the leading research funding agency in Japan, established by the Japanese Government for the purpose of contributing to the advancement of science. Our Pre/Postdoctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers (Short Term) provides the opportunity for researchers based outside of Japan to conduct collaborative research activities with leading research groups at Japanese Universities and Research Institutions for visits of between 1 to 12 months. Eligible applicants need to be either within 2 years of finishing their PhD at the time of applying to start their fellowship in Japan or have obtained their PhD after 2 April 2009. Eligible research fields are not limited.

Please visit the JSPS London website here for further information:

<http://www.jspso.org/funding/2014/10/the-jspso-london-call-for-the-prepost-doctoral-fellowship-for-foreign-researchers-short-term.html>

Engagement Opportunities

Oxford Sparks Public Engagement Training

Oxford Sparks (www.oxfordsparks.net) is running further training courses and networking events in public engagement and science communication during Michaelmas Term 2014.

Introduction to Public Engagement and Science Communication

1130–1330, Friday 17 October 2014

1400–1600, Friday 24 October 2014

A whistle stop tour which will get you considering the needs of different audiences, meeting researchers who actively engage with the public and thinking about how you might share your research with the public.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40104>



Social Media for Communicating Science

1400–1600, Tuesday 4 November 2014

1400–1600, Tuesday 3 February 2015

A practical introduction to using social media tools to develop and maintain an online presence, and how to start defining your audience and developing strategies for engagement.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40110>

Narrative Skills

0930 –1700, Monday 17 November 2014 – Banbury Road.

0930 –1700, Monday 23 February 2015 – John Radcliffe Hospital.

Using your own research and interests, learn the essential ingredients of a compelling narrative, how to draw an audience into a story and keep them involved, and how to turn your story into an effective 'pitch'.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D00D40106>

Networking Event: Seven Secrets of Great Videos

1230–1330, Thursday 30 October 2014

Making videos? Getting other people to make videos? Regardless of what you're planning, this fun, gently interactive talk will show what separates good video from great.

For further details and to register: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/course-signup/rest/course/4D004D100894>

These courses are available to all graduate students and research staff, and are part of a wider range of researcher training opportunities: <https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/portal/hierarchy/grad/>

Further information on training opportunities in public engagement and science communication, at Oxford and further afield, can be found on the Oxford Sparks website: www.oxfordsparks.net/training

Public Engagement Troubleshooting and Advice Sessions

45 minute one-to-one session available to try and tackle some of your tricky issues in public engagement

- **Have a grant application closing soon and not sure what to put in the public engagement section?**
- **Got a blog, but you're not getting many visitors?**
- **Want to get involved in public engagement, but not sure where to start? (... and you've looked at <http://www.oxfordsparks.net/getting-started-public-engagement>)**



We can help with a 45 minute one-to-one session to try and tackle some of your tricky issues in public engagement.

A small number of slots are available during October 2014:

Wed 8 October: 1400–1445; 1500–1545 – Science Area

Fri 10 October: 1000–1045; 1100–1145; 1400–1445; 1500–1545 – John Radcliffe Hospital

Wed 15 October: 1400–1445; 1500–1545 – Science Area

Fri 17 October: 1000–1045; 1100–1145; 1400–1445; 1500–1545 – John Radcliffe Hospital

Wed 22 October: 1400–1445; 1500–1545 – Science Area

Fri 24 October: 1000–1045; 1100–1145; 1400–1445; 1500–1545 – John Radcliffe Hospital

To book, send an email to:

annabel.cook@mpls.ox.ac.uk

In your email, clearly state your first and second choice of date and time. We will do our best to accommodate you.

Ada Lovelace – Wikipedia Editathon

Tuesday 14 October

The University of Oxford's IT Services, Bodleian Libraries and [Wikimedia UK](#) are organising an editathon focused on women in science to celebrate [Ada Lovelace Day](#) on 14 October 2014. The editathon will take place at IT Services, 13 Banbury Road, Oxford from 2–5pm, and will include some basic training by a trainer from Wikimedia UK. This exciting event aims to contribute to a greater understanding of the role of women in science by developing the existing online coverage of this important area.



The event is open to anyone; no Wiki editing experience is necessary, though experienced editors are very welcome; tutorials will be provided for Wikipedia newcomers. Female editors are particularly encouraged to attend.

[Ada Lovelace](#) is widely held to have been the first computer programmer, and [Ada Lovelace Day](#) aims to raise the profile of women in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) by encouraging people around the world to talk about the women whose work they admire. This international day of celebration helps people learn about the achievements of women in STEM, inspiring others and creating new role models for young and old alike.

So come along to learn about how Wikipedia works and contribute a greater understanding of the role of women in science!

- **Date:** 2–5pm, Tuesday 14 October 2014 (If you can't be there the whole time? No problem. Join us for as little or as long as you like.)
- **Venue:** IT Services, University of Oxford
- **Booking Link:** <http://courses.it.ox.ac.uk/detail/TWOE>
- **Cost:** Free!

BBSRC Knit-a-bug: The Great British Bioscience Knitting Competition

As part of the [Great British Bioscience Festival](#), BBSRC is running Knit-a-Bug: The Great British Bioscience Knitting Competition. BBSRC invites knitters from across the UK to get creative with bioscience by knitting bacteria and viruses that can impact human and animal health.



Send in pictures of your knitted nasties for a chance to win a [luxury knitter's hamper](#) and a subscription to [Simply Knitting Magazine](#). Your bug will be judged by an expert team of scientists and knitters who will look for creativity and flair.

To enter, send pictures of your knitted bugs to competition@bbsrc.ac.uk by 24 October 2014. Patterns for various bacteria and viruses are available to download below or you can create your own.

For more details, please see <http://bbsrc.ac.uk/news/events/1410-knit-a-bug.aspx>

Do you have a TV documentary idea?

Media engagement opportunities for Oxford academics

[Oxford Digital Media](#) would like to meet Oxford University academics interested in finding public platforms for their research, and who would like to work with a production company dedicated to making quality TV programmes with academic integrity.

We are a television and video production company based in the heart of Oxford. We develop and make broadcast TV documentaries, including BBC, Channel 4, National Geographic and Discovery Channel. We already work with many University departments to provide quality video content, and so understand the growing need for academics to provide evidence of public engagement and impact.

Our in-house executive and development producers can work with you to shape your research into a visual format for a popular audience and will use their knowledge and experience of television commissioning to produce a proposal to pitch to broadcasters.

With our own purpose-built television studio in central Oxford we also have the tools to help you develop your on-camera delivery skills and interview technique.

Anyone interested should contact hannah.veale@oxforddigitalmedia.co.uk

Volunteer Opportunities

Healthy volunteers and depressed individuals required for brain scanning study

The Department of Psychiatry are looking for both healthy volunteers and depressed individuals aged 18–50 to take part in a brain scanning study. The study compares brain activity in people who are depressed, and in people who are not depressed and investigates how an antidepressant medication (bupropion) affects information processing. The study involves two brain scans using magnetic imaging (MRI) which are completed before and after taking bupropion. Please note that healthy volunteers will NOT take the bupropion.

Currently, we are particularly looking for healthy volunteers in their late 30's and above who would be able to attend the two MRI scans at The Oxford Centre for Magnetic Resonance Imaging during normal working hours.

For information in confidence, with no obligation to participate, please contact:

Annabel Walsh

bupropion.study@psych.ox.ac.uk

01865 226464

Participants will be reimbursed for their time and expenses



REC Number: 13/SC/0569

Brain study on anxiety and depression seeks volunteers

Do you worry all the time?

Or

Do you feel down most of the time?

Or

Are you scared of particular animals/ situations?

Are you between 18 and 55 years old? We are running several brain imaging studies investigating how anxiety and depression can influence the brain and would like to invite you to take part.

You will be paid up to £100 plus any travel expenses.

Interested?

Contact the CAN (Cognitive Affective Neuroscience) team

can@fmrib.ox.ac.uk

01865 222581

facebook.com/BrainStudyOnAnxietyAndDepression

Clinical Vaccine Trials

The Jenner Institute are developing vaccines against major global diseases and want healthy volunteers aged 18 to 55 to take part in trials of them.

Participants will be paid compensation for expenses and time put aside to take part. Each study will require short visits to an outpatient clinic over 4–12 months. To find out more and register, visit the [Jenner Institute website](#).



OxWATCH study now recruiting!

We are looking for women between the ages of 18 and 40 who are hoping to become pregnant with their first child, and have an Oxfordshire home address

The **OxWATCH Study** – a unique collaboration between the NHS and three departments of the University of Oxford: the Nuffield Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, the Department of Primary Care Health Sciences and the Cardiovascular Clinical Research Facility at the John Radcliffe Hospital – is the first of its kind

to research the wellbeing and lifestyle of women planning a pregnancy in order to understand the likelihood of different diseases in later life. To build a full and detailed picture, thousands of young Oxfordshire women who have not yet started their families are invited to join the pioneering project.

Some women develop conditions such as diabetes, pre-eclampsia and depression during pregnancy. These women are more at risk of associated complications later in life. To better understand which women might develop these conditions, we are measuring cardiovascular, metabolic and psychological health throughout the pregnancy and comparing them to those noted before.

Study participants will be asked to complete a wellbeing and lifestyle questionnaire and will have simple and easy measurements taken including a blood pressure, a blood test and a heart scan. The research team will then follow the women through any subsequent pregnancy and beyond.

The team hopes this will lead to better preparation for pregnancy, improved methods of preventing complications and earlier detection of problems when they do arise.

The OxWATCH team wants to recruit 300 women in the first pilot-phase and then expand the numbers to 12,000 women in Oxfordshire and other national centres.

For more information on taking part in the OxWATCH study please visit www.osprea.ox.ac.uk/oxwatch and fill out the contact form, or call **01865 572259**



Other Items of Interest

Oxford Genomics Centre Winter Forum Thu 6 Nov 2014. Registration now open!!

High Resolution Genomics: Current and Future Opportunities in Oxford

Oxford Genomics Centre

The Wellcome Trust Centre for Human Genetics



Oxford Genomics Centre are pleased to announce the **launch of the Oxford Consortium for Single Cell Biology on 6th November 2014** during the Oxford Genomics Centre Winter Forum: *'High Resolution Genomics: current and future opportunities in Oxford'*.

The event will consist of short presentations on real-life single-cell projects from Oxford, UK and international researchers and will be divided into the following sessions:

1. Technologies and modelling
2. Diseases and applications
3. The near future

Sessions will be three 20 minute presentations, each followed by what we hope will be a lively panel discussion where you will get a chance to ask all those important questions you might have during the 'Q&A panel' straight after each session.

REGISTER NOW and view detailed agenda using the link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ogc-autumn-forum-6th-november-2014-registration-12542714597> .

PLEASE NOTE: Spaces are limited so make sure you register NOW or you might miss out on your chance to share this day with us.

Don't forget to **follow us on Twitter** [@OxfordGenomics](https://twitter.com/OxfordGenomics) for latest news and updates about the event, and for your chance to be actively involved with the live Twitter feed during the day. We look forward to seeing you on the 6th November.

Mental Health Conference: A Global Focus and the Lancet Psychiatry Poster Prize

Saturday 1 November 2014, Green Templeton College, Oxford

A free, one day conference, kindly funded by Green Templeton College.

Open to all interested in psychiatry and global health.

The conference will address psychiatry and mental health from a global viewpoint, through lectures and workshops. It aims to broaden knowledge, inspire interest, and assist with the practicalities of gaining experience abroad. The inaugural Lancet Psychiatry Poster Prize will also be awarded at the conference. Please see the attached programme and poster guideline for more information. A full buffet lunch at Green Templeton College is provided free of charge.

To ensure accurate numbers we require a **£10 deposit** which will be **returned in full** on the day of the conference, at registration. Please register using **eventbrite** first: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-a-global-focus-tickets-13094296393> , and then transfer money to **Osler House**, Account Number: **20704563**, Sort Code: **20-65-18**. Please include a payee reference in the format of: **Firstname Lastname**.

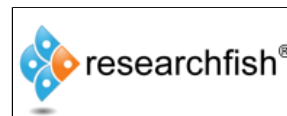
Any questions, please email richarddoll society@gmail.com.

Researchfish Demonstrations

Friday 17 October

As many of you will know, the UK Research Councils are currently in the process of rolling out the

Researchfish system to collect the outputs of the research that they fund. Whilst MRC and STFC have used the system for a number of years, the other Research Councils (AHRC, BBSRC, EPSRC, ESRC and NERC) are rolling the system out for the first time, and this is bringing on board more than 1500 new users of the system at Oxford. The UK Research Council outputs collection will be open 16 October – 14 November 2014. (PIs will be contacted directly about this.)



Representatives from Researchfish are coming to Oxford to give two workshops on the Researchfish system, specifically the interface that PIs and their delegates will be using when they complete their outputs reporting. As Researchfish is also being used for outputs reporting by other research funders, including NIHR, CRUK and a range of smaller medical charities, the sessions will also be relevant to PIs with funding from these areas. We would be grateful if you could publicise the sessions in your Departments.

One session has been arranged in Zoology and the other at the JR. (Details below.)

The sessions will cover how to add research outputs to a record, how to use the benefits of the system and how to submit data. Followed by a short Q&A session. The sessions are primarily aimed at PIs and their delegates who may be entering information directly onto the system, but Administrators who would like to find out more about the system are also very welcome to attend.

Places at each session are limited by room size, so those who intend to go are requested to register at the relevant doodle poll below.

If you can't make the date of the sessions there is a good range of information available on the web about the Researchfish system and the RCUK 2014 collection. See:

1. The Researchfish site: <https://www.researchfish.com/>
2. Pages from RCUK about their outputs collection policy and implementation of Researchfish: <http://www.rcuk.ac.uk/research/researchoutcomes/>
3. Further background information about the collections available on the RS web pages: <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/sponsors/researchfish>

And if you have any queries about the collection, or about the system more generally, please get in touch with [✉ Elizabeth Beckett](mailto:elizabeth.beckett@rcuk.ac.uk).

Session 1

Zoology:

Demonstration of the Researchfish Principal Investigator Interface

Date: Friday 17th October, 2014

Time: 12.15 – 13.15

Venue: Lecture Theatre C, Department of Zoology

Demonstration of the interface that will be used by PIs and their delegates in the forthcoming research outputs collections rounds for those who hold research grants from the UK research councils, and a range of other funders including CRUK and NIHR.

The session will cover how to add research outputs to your record, how to use the benefits of the system and how to submit data. Followed by a Q&A session.

Please register your participation at: <http://doodle.com/wz94zppgzisbgwfz>

Session 2

John Radcliffe Hospital:

Demonstration of the Researchfish Principal Investigator Interface

Date: Friday 17th October, 2014

Time: 15.00 – 16.00

Venue: Lecture Room, George Pickering Education Centre, Level 3, John Radcliffe Hospital

Demonstration of the interface that will be used by PIs and their delegates in the forthcoming research outputs collections rounds for those who hold research grants from the UK research councils, and a range of other funders including CRUK and NIHR.

The session will cover how to add research outputs to your record, how to use the benefits of the system and how to submit data. Followed by a Q&A session.

Please register your participation at <http://doodle.com/myg3xnd86rx3qxgp>

Women in Academic Science: Role Models of Success at Oxford

6 November 2014, 5.30 pm – 7.45 pm, Maths Institute Lecture Theatre 2

Cost: Free of charge, but registration required

Invitees: Current undergraduates, postgraduates, researchers, lecturers, Fellows, early career women in science and interested alumni.

The Alumni Office and the Equality and Diversity Unit invite you to join us for an unmissable and important networking event in 4th week exploring how women can successfully navigate career paths in academic science.

Our star panel representing some of Oxford's leading female scientists will discuss their experiences and share their advice. The discussion will be followed by drinks and networking. The event is funded by the Vice Chancellor's Diversity Fund and supported by Mathematics Institute.

Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Sally Mapstone, will chair the panel which is comprised of:

Fran Ashcroft – Professor of Physiology Katherine Blundell – Professor of Astrophysics Sadie Creese – Professor of Cybersecurity Dame Frances Kirwan DBE – Professor of Mathematics Susan Lea – Professor of Chemical Pathology; Microbiology Kia Nobre – Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience Irene Tracy – Professor of Anaesthetic Science

For any questions, please contact maya.evans@alumni.ox.ac.uk

Details on how to book can be found here:

<https://www.alumniweb.ox.ac.uk/alumni-/events/alumni-events/womeninsciencemain>

Frith Photography Prize 2014

Win £100/£80/£50 and have your photo displayed at our exhibition in November

Theme: 'Signs' (medical or otherwise...)

- Send your entry to us at: frithprize@omsg-online.com
- Deadline for submissions: **31st October**
- Download an entry form and find terms and conditions at www.omsg-online.com



Continuing Education Open Day

Tuesday 4 November

Announcing the third annual Continuing Education Open Day, which will take place on **Tuesday 4 November 2014, from 10am–6pm, at Rewley House in Wellington Square.**

It's a full day of short lectures, workshops, walking tours, information, Q&A and more. There are over 40 events to choose from, and you can dip in for an hour or stay as long as you like.

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Highlights include:

- 'Delusion and spiritual experience: brain imaging, neuroscience and human values' – *Professor Bill Fulford*
- 'Back to Downton Abbey? Is the rise in inequality sustainable?' – *Professor Jonathan Michie* Walking tour: 'Ecology in the city' – *Dr Jocelyne Hughes*
- 'Art, Design and World War' – *Dr Claire O'Mahony*
- Creative Writing workshop: 'Fiction reader, fiction writer' – *Frank Egerton*
- 'Create a bespoke course' – *Hosted by academic and administrative staff of the Department*

The day serves as a taster of the 1,000+ courses and programmes we offer each year for part-time adult learners, and will be of interest to academic and admin staff, University undergraduates and post-graduates, as well as the general public. (There will be sessions of particular interest to those who are interested in our part-time post-graduate and professional development programmes.)

Registration is highly recommended, as events do fill!

Please see <https://www.conted.ox.ac.uk/openday> for full information on all events, and to register.

Questions? Email: events@conted.ox.ac.uk

Careers Events for Research Staff Michaelmas Term

New Career Seminars in the Science Area, Careers workshops for research staff, Academic Application and Interview Skills for Researchers, MBTI workshop for Researchers, One to one appointments

Please find below our exciting events for researchers programme and one-to-one appointments

for Michaelmas Term. To avoid disappointment please book as soon as possible through [CareerConnect](#), where you can find events through the search function or on the calendar. If you have any queries about the events please email courses@careers.ox.ac.uk If you do not have a Career Connect account please email reception@careers.ox.ac.uk to have one set up.



New Career Seminars in the Science Area

Monthly lunchtime career seminars open to all science DPhil students and research staff covering careers within and beyond academia. The first seminar is on Wednesday 1st October at 1–2pm in Biochemistry and will be a panel event on ‘How to progress in academia’. Future seminars will be at the same time and in the same location – details to follow. No need to book – just turn up!

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Careers workshops for research staff

Career Management

An interactive mix of short individual exercises and small informal group discussions will help you to build a clearer picture of the key factors relating to your career and personal circumstances and to explore career pathways.

7 October 1.30–5.00pm

Book through [Oxford Learning Institute](#)

Job Search and CV Skills

Interactive workshop enabling you to more effectively search for and apply for jobs. Includes networking, CV and cover letter skills.

27 October 9.30–12.00pm

Book through [Oxford Learning Institute](#)

Interview Skills

Interactive workshop enabling you to more effectively prepare for and perform at interview.

28 November 9.30–12.00pm

Book through [Oxford Learning Institute](#)

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Other events

Science Careers for Researchers in the Civil Service

October 16, 6:00 PM

The Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road

Dr Rupert Wilmouth, who works for the Government Chief Scientific Advisor, will be talking about his career to date, from his postgraduate studies at Oxford to his present role in the civil service. He will discuss the diverse roles that scientists and engineers play in the civil service and the range of career options that are available, with a particular focus on the revised Science & Engineering Fast Stream which is now aimed at postgraduates with doctorates or master’s degrees.

Academic Application and Interview Skills for Researchers

Interactive workshop covering skills required for academic applications – CVs, cover letters and research and teaching statements – and for effective preparation at academic interview.

18 November 9.30–12.30pm

MBTI workshop for Researchers

This workshop will give you an insight into your own personality using the Myers Briggs Type Indicator. This framework can help you to gain a better understanding of your natural preferences which can help you to identify the types of work and working environments that you may enjoy.

19 November 9.30–12.30pm

One to one appointments

One-to-one 30 minute appointments are available at The Careers Service, science area, WIMM (JR) Old Road Campus and Churchill sites. Call reception on 01865 274646 to book or book online through Career Connect for 15 minute appointments (only at Careers Service).

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Oxford Martin School Michaelmas Term Seminar Series

Health in the 21st Century: what's new?

Our Michaelmas Term seminar series will examine the frontiers of technology and ideas in healthcare in the 21st century. Health and wellbeing concerns us all, but how is medical care changing and how does it affect us? What new ideas and technology are out there to take better care of us? Does where you live matter? And what can we do to extend the quality and length of our lives?

Time and Date: Thursdays, 16 Oct – 4 Dec, 3.30pm – 5pm

Venue: Oxford Martin School, Corner of Catte and Holywell Street, Oxford

Further details & registration

- **16 Oct:** *Challenges in global health: the long term view*
Speaker: Professor Peter Piot, Director, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
- **23 Oct:** *Impact of childhood vaccination: what's next?*
Speaker: Professor Andrew Pollard, Co-Director, Oxford Martin Programme on Vaccines
- **30 Oct:** *Oxford and the next generation of mobile health*
Speaker: Dr David Clifton, Royal Academy of Engineering University Fellow, University of Oxford
- **6 Nov:** *Well fed? The health and environmental implications of our food choices*
Speakers: Professor Susan Jebb, Professor of Diet and Population Health, University of Oxford; Dr Mike Rayner and Dr Tara Garnett, Principal Investigators, Oxford Martin Programme on the Future of Food
- **13 Nov:** *New strategies for disease prevention and management, from infancy to old age*
Speakers: Professor Terry Dwyer, Executive Director & Dr Kazem Rahimi, Deputy Director, The George Institute for Global Health
- **20 Nov:** *Eradicating Hepatitis C and HIV: progress and challenges for the next 10 years*
Speakers: Dr John Frater and Dr Ellie Barnes, Principal Investigators, Institute for Emerging Infections
- **27 Nov:** *Why do we need to reconstruct drug discovery?*
Speakers: Professor Chas Bountra, Professor of Translational Medicine, Nuffield Department of Clinical Medicine & Dr Javier Lezaun, Deputy Director, Institute for Innovation, Science and Society
- **4 Dec:** *Strategies for vaccines for the 21st century*
Speakers: Professor Susan Lea and Professor Christoph Tang, Co-Directors, Oxford Martin Programme on Vaccines; Professor Jeffrey Almond, Former Vice President and Head of Discovery Research and External R&D at Sanofi Pasteur and Dr Ian Feavers, Head of the Division of Bacteriology, National Institute for Biological Standards and Control (NIBSC)

Each seminar will be streamed live on the web, so tune in here if you can't attend: www.youtube.com/user/21school

Your feedback on Oxford Academic Health Sciences Network sought



One of the four license objectives for the Oxford AHSN is to develop and build a **culture of partnership and collaboration** – this has been a key focus of our work over the last year with events and meetings including the joint meeting of the clinical networks working in mental and physical health, the inaugural Partnership Council in June this year, a number of successful clinical network launches across the geography, innovation focused meetings – Map the App, and also a series of events aimed at bringing partners together in research, academia, innovation, local enterprise and industry, as well as a whole series of smaller meetings with core team members.

We now looking for some feedback and we would very much appreciate it if you were able to spend just a few minutes to complete the short survey available through this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DX37GMB>

We are looking to include a short report on this in our October Newsletter but also to include in our Q2 Report to NHS England **SO if you were able to respond by no later than Tuesday 21 October**, we would be most grateful. Your responses will make sure that we meeting your needs and expectations and – if we are not – we will endeavour to do so.

Bioscience Technology Insight Day

Wednesday 12 November 2014

The University of York will be hosting our annual Insight lecture day into Bioscience Technology on **Wednesday 12 November 2014** and would like to invite you to attend. The Insight Day will cover the following topics with in-house experts providing overview lectures on how the latest techniques work and are utilised along with some of the latest advances in the field.

- Imaging and Flow Cytometry;
- Genomics and bioinformatics;
- Proteomics;
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- Protein overexpression, fermentation and purification;
- Protein properties and interactions;
- Computing systems for biologists.

The day provides a general overview of many the key technology platforms and is suitable for academics, technical staff, post-doctoral researchers and students alike. The day is aimed at a focused group of delegates who wish to refresh and update their understanding of a breadth of technologies. Certificates of attendance can be provided for your own CPD records.

The programme will begin at 10am and conclude at 5.30pm following guided tours of the Bioscience Technology Facility laboratories. Lunch and refreshments will be provided as part of the registration fee which is £99 for students and technical staff and £130 for academic staff.

For more information please see our leaflet below or visit: <http://www.york.ac.uk/biology/technology-facility/insight-day/> and to register please email Rachel Cullivan at: btf-enquiries@york.ac.uk

As space to the Insight Day is limited please reply by 20 October 2014 if you would take part.

OneStart competition – Your chance to win £100k to realise your life science business idea



Do you have an idea for a new therapeutic, novel cell culture method, health IT solution or a clever device to advance healthcare? Or maybe you do not have your own idea, but have the scientific or business know-how to help someone else realise their business? If so, apply to **OneStart Europe competition.**

Who should apply?

- science/medical students and researchers interested in spinning out their research or commercialising their great ideas
- business students keen to get actively involved with the science community
- IT specialists and engineers – are you a keen coder? Are you able to help someone constructing their device?
- anyone interested in entrepreneurship.

Applications are open from 1st October until 1st December 2014. You can apply as an individual or with a team. Ideas at **all stages of development** are welcome. All semi-finalists will be directly mentored by experienced industry professionals, connected with venture capital, pharmaceutical, and biotech executives and invited to attend a Business Bootcamp in London with workshops from our global sponsors, including SR One, Johnson & Johnson Innovation, Takeda Ventures, Roche, McKinsey, and others. OneStart will be open to applicants under the age of 36 (as of 31st December 2014).

Find more information at: <http://www.oxbridgebiotech.com/onestart/>.