



Being a Science Council Employer Champion

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- Brief introduction to the Medical Research Council (MRC)
- Support for Scientific & Technical Support staff – how did we get here
- Professional Registration with the Science Council and being an Employer Champion
- Practicalities

The logo for the Medical Research Council (MRC) is located in the top left corner. It consists of a dark brown rectangular box. On the left side of the box, the letters 'MRC' are written in a large, white, sans-serif font. To the right of 'MRC', a vertical white line separates the text from the words 'Medical', 'Research', and 'Council', which are stacked vertically in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.

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The Medical Research Council

Mission

The heart of our mission is to improve human health through world-class medical research. To achieve this, we support research across the biomedical spectrum, from fundamental lab-based science to clinical trials, and in all major disease areas. We work closely with the NHS and the UK Health Departments to deliver our mission, and give a high priority to research that is likely to make a real difference to clinical practice and the health of the population.

Mission statement

The MRC's mission, as set out in our Royal Charter is to:
Encourage and support research to improve human health.

Produce skilled researchers.

Advance and disseminate knowledge and technology to improve the quality of life and economic competitiveness of the UK.

Promote dialogue with the public about medical research.

How did we get here?

- Recognition that we needed to do more for certain groups of staff
- Steering group & working groups
- Recommendations:
 - Professional registration
 - Membership of HEATED for networking & specialist training
 - Review of internal processes and stipends

Professional Registration & being an Employer Champ

- Benefits to staff
- Benefit to the organisation
- We are doing it – so may as well make that known
- Sign the pledge, gives it more support and ‘gets things done’

Practicalities

- For staff – very easy, one point of contact (i.e. Science Council), easy websites and support to choose, option for interview or work based assessment
- For organisation – really supportive, willingness to come along and think with us
- For me – more of a partner

Questions

- How do you currently recognise / support your technical staff?
- What would you like to do / where do you want to get to?
- How could you (your technical staff / institution) benefit from the Employer Champion programme & professional registration?