

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE SUPPORT STAFF CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT



REACH YOUR POTENTIAL WITH THE INSTITUTE OF
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE QUALIFICATIONS FOR
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE SUPPORT STAFF

We understand the pressures and challenges you face every day. That's why we've designed our qualifications to be affordable, adaptable and achievable.

These qualifications are highly flexible and can be used to support your training and development in a range of biomedical science environments - not solely pathology laboratories.

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WHAT'S ON OFFER?

We are offering two levels of qualifications, so there is something for everyone:

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PART I - OPEN TO MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS

Perfect for new learners with little experience of studying. It has been designed to help you develop your study skills and build your confidence.

Core and Optional modules include:

- Professional roles and responsibilities
- Communication skills
- Team working
- Health & safety
- Sample handling
- Performing standard tests

Once you've successfully completed the portfolio you will be eligible to apply to the IBMS to become a Registered Science Technician (RSciTech), provided you have joined the IBMS as an Associate member.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PART II - MEMBER ONLY

This qualification has been designed for those with more responsibility. In addition to the core modules you can choose from a range of optional modules, tailoring the qualification to your needs.

In addition to the key areas in Part I, modules in Part II include:

- Developing others
- Planning and monitoring work
- Investigating specimens at a microscopic level
- Use of automated analyser
- Staining specimens
- Point-of-care testing

Once you've successfully completed the portfolio you will be eligible to apply to the IBMS for registration as a Registered Scientist (RSci).

Study materials

Biomedical science support staff have been involved in the writing and testing of all IBMS Certificate of Achievement materials, so we are confident they meet the current service requirements.

The course materials are written in clear, simple language and are based on our highly successful Registration and Specialist portfolio format.

Assessment

The qualifications are assessed in the work place; there are no formal exams to sit.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PART I & II

Fees

These qualifications offer great value for money. There are no hidden costs; one fee covers all your learning materials. What's more, you can continue to earn while you learn and you don't need to worry about additional travel costs.

For Part I and Part II cost can be found on the application form. Payment can be made by cheque or postal order made payable to IBMS.

Where you choose to raise an invoice a purchase order must be attached to the portfolio order form.

These qualifications aim to demonstrate the knowledge and skills applicable to the role of biomedical support staff within laboratories.

Who can apply?

Part I - This is available to all individuals and there are no academic entry requirements. It is designed for people who do not have qualifications at the level traditionally required for university entry. You do not need to be an IBMS member to apply.

Part II – You must be a member of the Institute of Biomedical Science working in a support role to access Part II. And either have Part I or another comparable qualification such as an NVQ/SVQ 3.

***Note:** Applicants for Part II must have completed Part I or provide evidence of relevant Level 3 (Scotland Level 5) qualifications e.g. Biology 'A' Level certificate and a statement outlining scope of practice for evaluation.*