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Title: Biomedical scientists make list of Top 100 scientists

IBMS members, Sandra Richards MSc CSci MIBMS and Diane Anderson MIBMS have been voted on to the Science Council's list of 100 leading UK practising scientists.

The list features 100 leading examples of practising scientists, highlighting the many different ways in which scientists make a valuable contribution to society and the economy in the UK. The Science Council's list identifies individual scientists who have shown integrity, professional skill and judgement in their work and have contributed to their profession and the future of their subject through their leadership.

Sandra was nominated by the Institute of Biomedical Science for her exceptional public engagement and outreach work around cervical screening. Diane was nominated by the Institute of Biomedical Science for her excellent work in mentoring and training all grades of staff.

Sandra was placed in the Service Provider/Operational category, which recognises those providing scientific services in a wide range of ways. Sandra was recognised for her development of cellular pathology screening for cervical cancer. Diane was placed in the Teacher Scientist category, which recognises scientists who share their knowledge and enthusiasm with the next generation. Diane has been recognised for combining her knowledge and commitment of science with a commitment to pedagogical excellence and leadership.

The judging panel included; Science Council President Sir Tom Blundell; Joanne Hodges, Head of Science and Society Team at the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) and journalist and broadcaster, Nick Ross.

IBMS Chief Executive, Jill Rodney, said: "I am delighted that Sandra and Diane's valuable contribution to society, through their work in public engagement and education, has been recognised by the Science Council. Both are fantastic ambassadors for the profession and deserve recognition for their leadership, commitment and skills."

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Editor's notes:

The Institute of Biomedical Science is the professional body for biomedical scientists in the United Kingdom. With over 20,000 members it aims to promote and develop the role of biomedical science within healthcare to deliver the best possible service for patient care and safety. www.ibms.org

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