

# **WORK INSPIRATION – Biomedical Science**

Biomedical Science is one of the broadest areas of modern science and underpins much of modern medicine. Basically, a biomedical scientist fights diseases and protects health.

### **General Careers Resources/Information**

- Great Ormond Street Hospital For those interested in a career in Biomedical Science, meet some of the team who are working there
- Institute of Biomedical Sciences has:
  - Useful careers resources for students
  - A selection of career profiles
  - Also an article on "What is biomedical science?" as this field is one of the broadest areas of modern science
- NHS Healthcare Careers website has a section on <u>Biomedical Science</u>
- Royal College of Pathologists Discover more about the <u>career</u> of a Clinical Scientist and <u>meet</u> some of the people in these roles

- **National Careers Service** has information on becoming a <u>Biomedical Scientist</u>
- Indeed Career Guide has an article on How To Become a Biomedical Scientist
- Step Into the NHS has a section on <u>becoming</u> a Biomedical Scientist
- Prospects, find out all about the <u>role of</u>
   <u>Biomedical Scientist</u> and explore some jobs that
   are related to a degree in Biomedical Sciences:
  - Career as an Analytical Chemist
  - Career as a Clinical Scientist Genomics
  - Career as a <u>Clinical Scientist Immunology</u>
  - Career as a Medicinal Chemist
  - Career as a Toxicologist
  - Career as a Crime Scene Investigator
  - Career as a Medical Sales Representative

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- Career as a <u>Nanotechnologist</u>
- Career as a <u>Neuroscientist</u>
- Career as a <u>Research Scientist (Medical)</u>
- BBC Bitesize Careers How to Become a Biomedical Scientist – Hannah's Story
- The Department for the Economy NI has a useful Careers and Occupational Unit Bulletin (published in October 2020) that looks at <u>Life</u> <u>Sciences</u> and profiles some people working in industry, and has input from QUB and Ulster University.
- The <u>Institute of Biomedical Scientists</u> has a careers section for students and teachers. Have a look at this link to find out how to prepare for an interview
- Have a read of this article from The Royal
   Wolverhampton NHS Trust detailing one of their <u>Biomedical trainees career journey so far</u>

#### **Almac**

 The <u>Almac Work Experience Hub</u> provides you with a virtual environment to learn about the day-to-day life of working at Almac. Once registered you have a <u>full library of resources</u> at your disposal related to your area of interest.

#### **Local Focus**

- Western Health and Social Care Trust have a section on Biomedical Science careers
- South Eastern Health and Social Care
   Trust has an Ulster Hospital <u>Laboratory tour</u>
- Belfast Health and Social Care Trust resources to allow you to explore the career:
  - An animated <u>tour</u> created by the lead Biomedical Scientist in the Haematology Unit, explains what happens when the children go to the clinic to give a blood sample
  - Meet Kelly who works in the Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics

- (H&I) Laboratory. Her team's work is related to renal transplants, but they also cover bone marrow transplants and genetics testing
- Meet Claire a Senior Biomedical Scientist in Cytopathology/Cellular Pathology. She gives us a quick summary of her role and explains why it's of such vital importance in the diagnosis and treatment of disease.
- Alan McCandless is a <u>Biomedical Scientist</u> in the Institute of Pathology in the Royal Victoria Hospital
- <u>Karen Goodall</u> is a **Biomedical Scientist** <u>Immunology</u> in the Royal Hospital
- <u>Violet Linton</u> a **Biomedical Scientist** –
   **Microbiology** in the Royal Hospital
- The **BHSCT** has over 700+ lab staff have a look at the vast array of services they provide and offer here.
- Have a read of Belfast Live's visit to
   Antrim Area Hospital Pathology Department

   during National Pathology Week which takes place during the period 1 7
   November 2021.
- Meet the team at the <u>Antrim Area Hospital</u> <u>Labs</u> in this video to celebrate the vital work that they undertake.
- Did you know that over 70% of all diagnosis made in the Northern Health and Social Care Trust are provided by the Pathology Service? Clinical Biochemists process over 300 samples daily. Find out more about this vital work here

# **University Information**

 Complete University Guide <u>reviews courses</u> with feedback from students, prospectuses and details of open days



- Queen's University Belfast Find out all you need to know about studying <u>Biomedical Science</u>
- Ulster University Have a look at what courses are available at the School of Biomedical Sciences which offers a complete range of healthcare, scientific and technical professions in both undergraduate and post graduate programmes
- Generation Medics a <u>complete list</u> of where you can study at degree in Biomedical Science
- What Uni? Compares the 103 universities that offer a Biomedical Degree, with the UCAS points needed, along with their ranking

 Have a read of this UCAS guide on the career path of <u>Biological Science</u> and the broad area of specialisms that it encompasses

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