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CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Chris Ward. IBMS Head of Examinations, celebrates some of the achievements of members who have obtained Institute qualifications in the last year.

he names shown on the opposite page are candidates who have passed our higher qualifications, but we also want to take this opportunity to send our congratulations to anybody who successfully passed an IBMS qualification during 2018. This includes over 300 who passed the Specialist Portfolio in their chosen discipline and the more than 150 who passed the Certificate of Expert Practice in Leadership and Management, Quality Management, Molecular Pathology or Training.

Candidates and managers alike recognise that Institute qualifications aid professional and career development opportunities and, in these times of financial constraint, are an affordable, flexible way of supporting staff, especially in comparison to academic qualifications.

This is reflected by the fact that last year saw an increase in uptake across our wide-ranging portfolio of qualifications that are suitable for practising biomedical scientists who are at differing stages in their careers, from those who are just starting out, to those who are (or are endeavouring to be) advanced and consultant practitioners.

Our qualifications encourage critical thinking, questioning attitude, reflective practice and the development of greater autonomy and are both developed and assessed by IBMS expert practitioners and



academics in collaboration with, where appropriate, colleagues from the Royal College of Pathologists.

They represent a considerable commitment of both time and effort and demonstrate that those who have successfully passed have a comprehensive understanding of complex scientific, technical and managerial subjects.

Those who undertook them will recognise that achievement of an Institute professional qualification provides peer and as well as wider professional recognition.

It demonstrates that they can apply their knowledge, competence and personal autonomy, as well as transferable skills and qualities in

their chosen discipline that may not be easily demonstrated through an academic qualification.

Successful achievement of the Specialist Diploma allows individuals to upgrade to Member (MIBMS) status. Success in the Higher Specialist Diploma, the Advanced Specialist Diploma (ASD) in Histopathology Reporting or the ASD in Specimen Dissection or Non-Gynaecological Cytology, along with the pre-requisite Diploma of Expert Practice (DEP) qualification, provides eligibility for upgrade to the highest level of Institute membership, Fellowship (FIBMS) status.

Those who are successful in these qualifications represent the future leaders of the biomedical science profession. Several individuals who have gained the prestigious FIBMS status through the achievement of the HSD are now members of one of the eight Institute advisory panels which, as was described in last months' edition of the The Biomedical Scientist, play an invaluable role in supporting the work of the Institute.

Congratulations to all those who passed an Institute qualification in the last 12 months.

If you want more information on any IBMS qualifications, visit ibms.org. For information about upgrading your membership, contact mc@ibms.org

EXAMINATION PASS LIST 2018

The following members were successful in Institute examinations during 2018:

Higher Specialist Diploma

Cellular Pathology

Aneela Arshad - Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead Louise Greenhalgh - Lincoln County Hospital Catherine McNulty Wythenshawe Hospital, Manchester Matthew Wickens - North West London Pathology.

Clinical Chemistry

Andrew Connor - Diana Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby

Haematology

Sheetal Karunanandarajah - NEQAS Haematology (Watford)

Immunology

Sarah Gibbs - St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey Emma Sarhani - South of Tyne and Wear Pathology

Leadership and Management

Olivia Geling - Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford Katie Kitchman - Hull Royal Gordon Marr - Western General

Hospital, Edinburgh

Medical Microbiology

Kelly Olliver - Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton Helen Penycate - Royal **Gwent Hospital**

Craig Pownall - Noble's Hospital, Isle of Man Owain Dafvdd Thomas. University Dental Hospital, Cardiff

Transfusion Science

Emily Brock - Wythenshawe Hospital, Manchester Karen Fitzpatrick - Antrim Area Hospital Helen Owens - NHSBT Newcastle Ola Yahava - University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Trust

Certificate of **Expert Practice**

Medical Microbiology -Mycology

Rebecca Jones - Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth

Diploma of Expert **Practice**

Histological Dissection Cassandra Cretney - Whiston Hospital

Sarah De-Vaux Balbirnie - Ipswich Hospital Catherine Dunning - Singleton and Morriston Hospitals,

Fiona Hedley - University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust Marta Jamroziak - St Mary's Hospital, Paddington

Joanne Keating - Great Ormond Street Hospital

Sarah Lee - St George's Hospital, Tooting

Swansea

Danielle McCluskey Manchester Royal Infirmary Marianne McInotosh - Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Glasgow Norma McKay - University

Hospital, Crosshouse Claire Pace - Maidstone Hospital Syed Rassool - Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge

Gillian Robson - Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy Nicholas Southgate - West Herts NHS Trust, Hemel Hempstead

Immunocytochemistry

Sharon Anderson - The Royal London Hospital Simon Heath - Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton

Non-Gynaecological Cytology

David Cook - Epsom and St Helier Hospital NHS Trust, Carshalton

Leonie Glinski - Royal Cornwall Hospital, Truro Kavitha Knight - Queen's Hospital, Romford

Tendai Mangoma - John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford Sarah O'Flaherty - Cheltenham General Hospital

Dhaval Pandya - Independent Pathology Partnership, Basildon Claire Plank - Watford General Hospital

Sarah Reeves - William Harvey Hospital, Ashford Sara Shakes - Dewsbury District

Hospital Winnie Tang - Watford General Hospital



Karen Williams - Worcester Royal Hospital

Diploma of **Specialist Practice**

Annabelle Pope - Chaucer Hospital, Canterbury

Advanced Specialist Diploma

Cervical Cytology

Karen Patterson - Antrim Hospital Chris Teather - Leeds Teaching Hospital

Antonia Tweed - Leeds Teaching Hospital

Specimen Dissection - Lower GI Pathology

Rhian Bowden - ABMU Health Board Maalaviya Kumanan - Queen's Hospital, Romford

Histopathology Reporting

Sarah Gibson - Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle Upon Tyne Kathryn Kay - Sheffield Teaching Hospitals Preeti Kothari - Colchester Hospital