

IBMS COVID-19 RESOURCES

The IBMS has created an area in the resources section of its website that houses all materials and information relating to **COVID-19**. It includes guidance, formal statements and discipline-specific content.



Guidance

Guidance from organisations including the UK Government, Public Health England, the Royal College of Pathologists and UKAS, among others. This page contains dozens of links to the latest guidance. Content ranges from standard operating procedures for COVID-19 testing in NHS laboratories, to guidance on care of the deceased.



News and general information

The latest relevant news and general information for laboratory staff in relation to COVID-19. Sources for the information include the IBMS, NHS Digital, the Health and Care Professions Council and *The British Medical Journal*.



Statements and responses

Official statements, responses, comments and letters from professional bodies and organisations. This includes



government bodies, the Science Council and the IBMS. Content ranges from an IBMS letter that can be given to schools and nurseries to explain that biomedical scientists are key workers, to a statement from UK Chief Allied Health Professions Officers and the Health and Care Professions Council regarding returnees to the Register to respond to coronavirus demand.



Research articles and documents


Relevant research articles and documents that may be useful for laboratory staff members. Publications featured include *Nature*, *The Lancet*, *JAMA* and *the American Journal of Haematology*, among others.



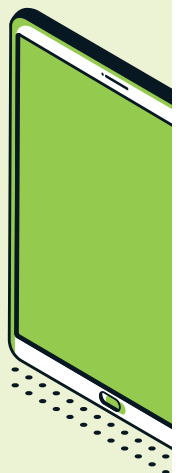
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For parents

For all IBMS members with children, this page includes a variety of resources to help stay active and motivated. Content ranges from a Q&A on COVID-19 and pregnancy, childbirth and breastfeeding, to home-schooling sessions from celebrities including Professor Brian Cox (science), Carol Vorderman (maths) and David Walliams (English). 

All these pages are updated as soon as new information becomes available. Any members who wish to suggest content, or who have resources they would like to share, are asked to contact the communications team at communications@ibms.org



Haematology

This is one of the smaller areas of the website and contains a link to the British Society of Haematology's COVID-19 updates.



Health and wellness

A variety of sources dedicated to maintaining health and wellbeing during the pandemic. The page is broken up into the following

topics: exercise, sleep-well tips, coping with self-isolation/social distancing, money-saving tips, music and mentoring opportunities. Resources range from links to free online opera and ballet performances to guidance on maintaining good mental health.



In the press

Link to all mentions of the IBMS in the news coverage.