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Training Newsletter  
December 2019

The Royal Society of Biology is celebrating its 10th year anniversary, and 40 years of being granted royal charter. The RSB has seen many changes in this period, including the provision of more training and development opportunities for scientists.

If you're interested in developing your skills, want to maintain your professional registration or simply looking for a refresher course, please do take a look at our [website](#) and [online learning platform](#) where we hope you will find something of value.

## RSB INDUSTRY SKILLS CERTIFICATE

***Don't miss out on the following industry skills courses this month:***

- [\*\*\*Introduction to Reproducible Analyses in R\*\*\*](#)

The Royal Society of Biology has developed an [Industry Skills Certificate](#). This new initiative is designed to support the employability of scientists in industry. With extensive research and input from our [Employer Advisory Group \(EAG\)](#), we have created a bespoke set of online and in-person training courses that are aimed to enhance the experience, skill set and knowledge of scientists. This certificate also supports competency development for our Registered Scientist (RSci) professional recognition award.

If you are an organisation and would like to register staff in bulk for this certificate, or require any further information please visit our [web page](#) or email [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## IN-HOUSE TRAINING

The RSB can organise training at your premises or nearby for your staff, in a range of areas within the biosciences. To enquire please contact us on [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

Previously organised in-house training includes:

- Persuasive Scientific Writing - *Ledbury*

- Train the Trainer - *Northern Ireland*

## ONLINE TRAINING COURSES

### **New: Core Business Skills for Biologists** ([ISC course](#))

This unique course aims to provide participants with a better understanding and knowledge of business in the bioscience sector.

### **New: Personal Skills for Leadership** ([ISC course](#))

This online course will help participants recognise and develop personal skills needed to be a more effective leader.

### **Introduction to Project Management** ([ISC course](#))

Throughout this online course participants will learn the skills and planning tools they need to successfully complete a project and how to anticipate and resolve the issues they are likely to encounter as a project manager.

### **Unconscious Bias** ([ISC course](#))

This half day awareness building course aims to educate staff and managers so that they can lead by example in the quest to change mind-sets and create a more diverse and inclusive workplace.

### **Gopher Science Lab**

This online course has been written and reviewed by teachers, for teachers. The following lessons are designed to give teachers clear guidance on how to carry out the Gopher Science Lab activities so that they can feel confident in leading or supervising the activities during a lab day or classroom session.

### **Introduction to Trusteeship and Governance**

The aim of this course is to support and provide new trustees with knowledge on the responsibilities of a trustee and how to carry these out, in accordance with the rules and regulations in place.

### **New: Persuasive Scientific Writing**

This course is for those of you who write technical, scientific and other related articles and reports, including students, who wish to improve their report and general document writing skills.

For further details and to register onto any of the above online training courses, please visit our online learning platform - [myLearning](#) or email [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## IN-PERSON TRAINING COURSES

### **Introduction to reproducible analyses in R** ([ISC course](#))

**Date:** 9th December 2019

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £55 + VAT | Non-member - £95 + VAT

**For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)**

### **Copyright Awareness for Researchers [\(ISC course\)](#)**

**Date:** 22nd January 2020

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £100 + VAT | Non-member - £200 + VAT

**For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)**

### **Quality Management [\(ISC course\)](#)**

**Date:** 31st January 2020

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £120 + VAT | Non-member - £240 + VAT

**For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)**

### **An Introduction to Pharmacokinetics in Drug Development [\(ISC course\)](#)**

**Date:** 6th February 2020

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £120 + VAT | Non-member - £240 + VAT

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### **Media Communication Training [\(ISC course\)](#)**

**Date:** 10th March 2020

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £120 + VAT | Non-member - £240 + VAT

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### **Leadership in a Laboratory Environment [\(ISC course\)](#)**

**Date:** 20th March 2020

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £90 + VAT | Non-member - £180 + VAT

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### **Navigating the Patent System for Biologists [\(ISC course\)](#)**

**Date:** 3rd April 2020

**Location:** London

**Level:** Industry Skills Certificate courses are designed for anybody wanting to gain industry specific skills, such as PhD students, early career researchers and postdoctoral researchers. It is also relevant to those currently working in industry.

**Fees:** Member - £85 + VAT | Non-member - £170 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)

## **HUBS Research and Teaching Workshop**

A workshop event from the [Heads of University Biosciences \(HUBS\)](#) and the Royal Society of Biology for newcomers and relative newcomers to a university research and teaching career.

This one-day workshop event is designed to cater for the specific needs of bioscience colleagues who have reached a career stage in which they are called on to develop their own research programme while providing lectures and other university teaching but who are yet to (or have only recently been) appointed to substantive academic posts.

The workshop is **free** and only open to attendees from HUBS members UK universities. For more information and to register, please visit [mySociety](#)

## **RSB Anniversary Gala Dinner**

Join us for the Royal Society of Biology's pinnacle 10 year anniversary event on **3rd March 2020 at the Science Museum, London** with special guest of honour **Sir David Attenborough FRS Hon FRSB**.

Tickets are now on sale for this special dinner and reception in celebration of the biosciences. RSB members and non-members are welcome to book with a limited number of corporate tables also available: [rsb.org.uk/gala](http://rsb.org.uk/gala)

## POTENTIAL NEW TRAINING COURSES

We are inviting expressions of interest for potential new training courses:

- Artificial Intelligence and Biology
- Fermentation
- Laboratory Health and Safety (including COSHH)

If you are interested in attending the potential courses listed above or can deliver training in these areas, please [register your interest](#)

## TRAINERS NEEDED

We are seeking trainers in the following areas:

- **Artificial Intelligence**
- **Fermentation**
- **COSHH**

Please do get in touch if you can help by emailing [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## PROFESSIONAL REGISTERS

Advance your career by applying for one of our industry recognised professional registers, open to members of the RSB. Submit your application now to be considered in our next quarterly election.



## MEMBER ORGANISATION EVENTS

### Pharmacology 2019

**Date:** 15.12.19

A British Pharmacological Society event  
*Edinburgh, UK*

### Pleasure, pain and the agony of Christmas

**Date:** 16.12.19

A British Neuroscience Association event  
*Bush House, 30 Aldwych, London WC2B 4BG*

### Future Physiology 2019

**Date:** 17.12.19 - 18.12.19

A Physiological Society event  
*James Parsons Building, Liverpool John Moores University, 3 Byrom St, Liverpool L3 3AF*

### BIA Gala Dinner 2020

### International Advances in Pesticide Application

### AST 2020 Animal Science and Technology Conference

**Date:** 23.01.20

A BioIndustry Association  
(BIA)

*The Brewery, 52 Chiswell  
Street, London EC1Y 4SD*

**Date:** 28.01.20 - 30.01.20

An Association of Applied  
Biologists Conference

*Mercure Brighton Seafront Hotel,  
149 Kings Road, Brighton BN1  
2PP*

**Date:** 24.03.20 - 26.03.20

A joint LASA/LAVA/IAT  
Conference



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