Bioscience: Useful Careers Resources

General

- [www.surrey.ac.uk/careers](http://www.surrey.ac.uk/careers) (University of Surrey Employability and Careers Centre: information on careers events and on-line graduate vacancies)
- [www.prospects.ac.uk](http://www.prospects.ac.uk) (The UK’s official graduate website)
- [www.prospects.ac.uk/links/occupations](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/links/occupations) (Information on many graduate occupations)
- [www.prospects.ac.uk/employer-profiles](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/employer-profiles) (Directory of many major graduate recruiters)
- [www.biosciencecareers.org](http://www.biosciencecareers.org) (Useful platform for information on careers, recruiters, placements, postgraduate research and study)
- [https://www.sebiology.org/docs/default-source/career-resources/-next-steps-booklet.pdf?sfvrsn=4](https://www.sebiology.org/docs/default-source/career-resources/-next-steps-booklet.pdf?sfvrsn=4) (Very useful guide to options after a bioscience degree, produced by a number of learned societies)
- [http://sciencecareers.sciencemag.org/](http://sciencecareers.sciencemag.org/) (Careers information from the journal ‘Science’)

Professional bodies

- Academy of Medical Sciences - [www.acmedsci.ac.uk](http://www.acmedsci.ac.uk) (Useful section on academic careers in biomedical sciences)
- Association for Clinical Biochemistry and Laboratory Medicine - [www.acb.org.uk/home.aspx](http://www.acb.org.uk/home.aspx)
- Biochemical Society - [www.biochemistry.org](http://www.biochemistry.org) (Helpful careers section)
- British Society for Cell Biology - [www.bscb.org](http://www.bscb.org)
- British Veterinary Association - [www.bva.co.uk/](http://www.bva.co.uk/)
- Institute of Biomedical Science - [www.ibms.org/](http://www.ibms.org/) (Good careers section)
- Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons - [www.rcvs.org.uk/home/](http://www.rcvs.org.uk/home/)
- Society for Applied Microbiology - [www.sfam.org.uk](http://www.sfam.org.uk)
• Society for Experimental Biology - [www.sebiology.org/](http://www.sebiology.org/)
• Society for General Microbiology - [www.sgm.ac.uk](http://www.sgm.ac.uk) (Useful careers section)
• UK Bioindustry Association - [www.bioindustry.org](http://www.bioindustry.org)

**Postgraduate study**

• [www.prospects.ac.uk/postgraduate_study.htm](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/postgraduate_study.htm) (General information and database of programmes)
• [www.postgrad.com](http://www.postgrad.com)
• [www.findamasters.com](http://www.findamasters.com) / [www.findaphd.com](http://www.findaphd.com)
• [www.mrc.ac.uk](http://www.mrc.ac.uk) (Medical Research Council)
• [www.jobs.ac.uk](http://www.jobs.ac.uk)
• [www.postgraduatestudentships.co.uk/](http://www.postgraduatestudentships.co.uk/)
• [www.idp.com/](http://www.idp.com/) (Postgraduate study in USA/Canada/Australia/New Zealand)
• [www.fullbright.org.uk](http://www.fullbright.org.uk) (Postgraduate study and research opportunities in the USA)

**Leading organisations**

**Cancer Research UK**

• [www.cancerresearchuk.org/science](http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/science) (Funded Research Studentships are available throughout the UK)

**Wellcome Trust**

• [www.wellcome.ac.uk/](http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/) (The world’s largest medical research charity that provides funds to support research in the biomedical sciences)

**NHS Careers**

• [www.nhscareers.nhs.uk/explore-by-career](http://www.nhscareers.nhs.uk/explore-by-career)
• [https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/not-studying-health-related-degree/nhs-scientist-training-programme](https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/not-studying-health-related-degree/nhs-scientist-training-programme) (Scientist Training Programme)

**Civil Service**

• [www.civilservice.gov.uk](http://www.civilservice.gov.uk) (Scientists work in various government departments and agencies)
• [www.dstl.gov.uk/careers/](http://www.dstl.gov.uk/careers/) (DSTL - Defence Science and Technology Laboratory)

**Public Health England**

Graduate entry to Medicine

- [https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-medicine/applying-medical-school/medical-school-courses](https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-medicine/applying-medical-school/medical-school-courses) (NHS advice on considering a medical degree)
- [https://www.bma.org.uk/advice/career/studying-medicine/how-to-become-a-doctor](https://www.bma.org.uk/advice/career/studying-medicine/how-to-become-a-doctor) (BMA’s advice on how to become a doctor)
- [www.medschoolsonline.co.uk](http://www.medschoolsonline.co.uk) (Free online resource for medical students/applicants)
- [www.ucas.ac.uk](http://www.ucas.ac.uk)

Graduate entry to Dentistry

- [www.prospects.ac.uk/dentist_job_description.htm](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/dentist_job_description.htm)

Pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry

- [http://careers.abpi.org.uk/getting-into-the-industry/pharmaceutical-recruiters/Pages/default.aspx](http://careers.abpi.org.uk/getting-into-the-industry/pharmaceutical-recruiters/Pages/default.aspx) (A useful listing of recruiters)
- [http://jobs.pmlive.com](http://jobs.pmlive.com) (Jobs in Pharma marketing, sales and communications)
- [www.pharmiweb.com](http://www.pharmiweb.com) (Portal linking to other sites)
- [www.pharmafile.com](http://www.pharmafile.com) (Online directory)
- [www.instituteofclinicalresearch.com/](http://www.instituteofclinicalresearch.com/) (Information on a career as a Clinical Research Associate)
- [www.allaboutmedicalsales.com](http://www.allaboutmedicalsales.com) (Very useful for those interested in Pharmaceutical sales – also helpful for other careers as it includes general information on the pharmaceutical industry)

BioIndustry Association

- [http://www.bioindustry.org/membership/member-directory/](http://www.bioindustry.org/membership/member-directory/) (Directory of members)

Biology in business

- [www.biologyinbusiness.org](http://www.biologyinbusiness.org)
Public Health
• https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/about/careers-public-health

Science writing
• www.absw.org.uk (Association of British Science Writers)

Healthcare communication
• www.hca-uk.org/ (Healthcare Communications Association)

Science job vacancies (some key sources)
• www.newscientistjobs.com/
• www.nature.com/naturejobs/
• www.jobs.ac.uk (Research, science, academic, teaching and management jobs and studentships in the public and private sector)
• www.jobsinscience.com/
• www.prospects.ac.uk
• www.targetjobs.co.uk
• www.surrey.ac.uk/careers (Click on the 'latest job vacancies' button)
• http://jobs.guardian.co.uk/

Specialist recruitment agencies
• www.cranleighscientific.co.uk/
• www.labsupport.co.uk/
• www.matchtech.com
• www.srg.co.uk/
• www.stemgraduates.co.uk/

Volunteering opportunities
• http://www.ussu.co.uk/community/volunteering/Pages/home.aspx (University of Surrey Students' Union – volunteering pages)
• www.do-it.org.uk (Volunteering opportunities across the UK)

Please note that this list is by no means definitive but features some of the more useful websites. For further information on job sectors and detailed occupational profiles please go to the Prospects website, www.prospects.ac.uk.