



The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies

Implemented Activities

Support of a national student-led One-Health Conference at the R(D)SVS.

 A two day event encompassing a wide range of topics with presentations from Dr. Gladys Zikusoka, Professor Nigel Gibbens, Professor Elizabeth Baggs, Professor James Wood and Professor Alain Kohl.

An Undergraduate Research Symposium:

• The following student-selected veterinary scientists presented: Jayne Hope ("Inspiring science for animal health"), Andy Hepker "Research? But I'm a vet... "), Heather Bacon ("Vets at the front line of animal welfare research") and Bruce Whitelaw ("The Roslin Institute on your doorstep: what could it offer you?"). This was followed by a PhD exposition in which ten PhD students presented their research to rotating small groups of undergraduates, and then by a poster session.

Short research presentations given by two PhD students.

Impacts

Wider Awareness of Research:

• INSPIRE support in establishing a student-led research forum led to a wider awareness of research within the R(D)SVS undergraduate community, and led to more opportunities for students to engage with research within the campus.

Increased Collaboration:

• INSPIRE support of a national student-led One-Health Conference at R(D)SVS in 2016 extended the ethos of intercollegiate awareness and collaboration amongst veterinary students from across the UK and exposed undergraduates to research from internationally recognised speakers.

Opportunities:

• INSPIRE support for an Undergraduate Student Research Day provided an opportunity to showcase research emerging from the campus that has international impact, afforded an opportunity for undergraduates to engage with PhD students in an informal setting, and enabled summer research project students to present posters in a mini-conference setting.

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