



University of Dundee School of Medicine

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### ***Implemented Activities***

Dundee Research and Academic Medical Society

- DRAMS is an INSPIRE supported student run society which aims to promote the importance of medical research to the medical career by providing medical students of all levels regular exposure to medical research related events.
- These range from smaller regular activities such as journal clubs and the journal watch newsletters, to larger workshops, research group nights, the Research Showcase symposium, and the Discovering Research conference.
- The events have provided medical students with constant exposure to opportunities to learn and apply various research-related skills, network with peers, gain insight into getting involved with medical research, opportunities to showcase their research work, and the chance to meet with inspirational academic staff first hand.

Dundee Dental Research and Academic Medical Society

- Dental DRAMS is an INSPIRE supported society dedicated to research, which serves as a stepping stone to the world of dental-specific research for students interested in oral health.
- The objectives are to promote research, make research papers easy to understand and to impart useful skills in discerning reliable pieces of research.
- As each new committee term starts and ends around April/May, hence there was a handover that have occurred during the funding period of September/October 2018 to September/October 2019.
- Events run included a summer internship showcase; research taster event; introduction to journal club; CPD talk: Periodontal disease, A patient's journey; Mouth cancer awareness week and quiz night; Careers nights.

### ***Impacts***

Regular research-related events

- The scheme continues to have an enormous impact within the Schools of Medicine and Dentistry. The ongoing work of the Dundee Research and Academic Medical Society (DRAMS) and the Dundee Dental Research and Academic Medical Society (Dental DRAMS), both INSPIRE funded student-led societies, have resulted in ongoing regular research-related events being held throughout the academic year informing students of the various research opportunities available to them.

Academic activity amongst dental students

- The scheme has acted as a catalyst for academic activity amongst dental students. One of the highlights is the Paid Summer Internship Programme which is offered by Dental DRAMS to students during their respective summer vacation. For 3 weeks, students are allocated to a research project of their choice and will

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work under mentorship from a member of staff at Dundee Dental School. This programme not only enables students to continue their engagement with academic activities outside of school period, but also to have first-hand experience in doing research. At the end of the Summer Internship Programme, participants will submit a poster on the result of their project and give a presentation at our annual Summer Internship Showcase.

#### The Dundee Dental School Wikipedia Collaboration of Dental Schools

- Initially set up with INSPIRE funding, in 2016, with ongoing INSPIRE support continues to flourish. We have utilised the links between Dundee Medical School and IMU, Malaysia, to bring IMU into the collaboration. The annual conference, held in Dundee in March 2019 had 120 delegates from UK and Malaysia.

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