



Keele University School of Medicine

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### ***Implemented Activities***

Summer Studentships:

- 4 students undertook studentships with funding coming directly from INSPIRE with an additional 13 students completing studentships with matched funding.

The Annual Research Showcase:

- Includes both oral and poster presentations. The Showcase is comprised of 8 student oral presentations per year together with up to 20 poster presentations. Each event has attracted around 70 students.

Skills Workshops:

- Developed, in collaboration with Birmingham and Warwick, videos for academic careers, statistics and the development of a database of student projects ([www.medidem.ac.uk](http://www.medidem.ac.uk)).

A 'Meet the Researcher Event':

- Hosted by the Keele Medical Academic Research Society (KMARS) and attended by roughly 40 students.

Development of the Keele Medical Academic Research Society.

### ***Impacts***

Summer Studentships:

- To fund directly and enable additional matched funding to support a further 30 summer studentships in the last 2 years; these are extremely highly rated, in addition to building new areas of student research, more students are gaining opportunities to present and publish– further supporting the increasing numbers of students applying for (and gaining) academic foundation posts.

The Research Showcase:

- We have established the Research Showcase as an annual event-enabling students to build their confidence by making research presentations and posters and being exposed to world leading research from within and external to Keele (via eminent internal and external speakers).

Further Funding:

- The success of the INSPIRE activities has enabled further succession funding from the Research Institutes within Keele and the North Staffordshire Medical Institute including a recent major award of £75K, to ensure the sustainability of the research strand and the studentship programme.

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