Outreach

Change thinking to increase participation by currently underrepresented groups in science:

- Ensure all outreach activities include participants from all career stages and gender representation.
- Target underrepresented schools and colleges in outreach activities.

We are committed to creating a culture of public engagement and provide training and support for all those taking part in our outreach activities. We are a regular sponsor of Science Oxford's 'Young Scientist of the Year' event. This annual event celebrates the achievements of Oxfordshire's Year 13 Physics, Chemistry and Biology students. Working with Science Oxford we have established good links with local schools. This network has enabled our researchers to take part in numerous school visits, including visits to many underrepresented schools. Researchers in the NDM Structural Genomics Consortium are involved in a programme where they work closely with a group of primary school children over a couple of years and following them through to secondary school. At a national level we connect with many schools through our involvement with Cheltenham Science Festival.

Our dedication to public engagement was recognised by ARMA (Association of Research Managers and Administrators) leading to NDM being highly commended for Public Engagement in their 2015 awards ceremony. We acknowledge and reward success in public engagement at all levels through our annual Head of Department awards.