

Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F2
Placement	Academic Research
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	F2 academic programmes offer foundation trainees an opportunity to experience life as a clinical academic scientist before considering applying for an academic clinical fellowship. In Sheffield during the foundation year 2 (F2) a trainee can apply for one of three academic rotations, which have been specifically designed to allow the trainee to spend a 4 month period attached to a research group of their choice within the Medical School. The remaining 8 months of the rotation are spent in clinical placements gaining the clinical skills to meet the F2 foundation competencies.
Main duties of the placement	During the 4 month academic research placement the trainee will become part of their chosen research group based with the University of Sheffield Medical School and will have an honorary university contract status. We have a wide variety of research areas that are available for trainees to explore so they can develop their research project in a field of interest to them. This process starts in F1 when a list of potential supervisors are given for consideration and a meeting is held with the administrative team and Academic TPD in charge of the Foundation programme to discuss your academic options. You then, with guidance, work on the development of your 4 month project with your supervisor and this is signed off by the Medical School and Foundation School before the end of F1.
	The trainee during their 4 month academic research placement will spend time in a research laboratory, attend laboratory meetings alongside researchers and scientists, carry out a small research project and conduct a review of the research literature on their chosen research topic. The F2 trainee will write up their project and present their finding to their research group.

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It is important to note that this description is a typical example of your placement and may be subject to change.

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