



BiolmagingUK questionnaire

88 respondents to date (Jun-Aug 2019)

Responses were from 74% academics, 18% institute, 8% industry

BiolmagingUK website community recommendations:

65% wanted a UK wide database on technical knowledge and a list of people willing to train in these areas

81% wanted a searchable database for training opportunities in specific areas

85% wanted an up to date database of imaging workshops and training courses

80% wanted a database of imaging-related services in core facilities



Other suggestions for website

Job ads (note RMS already have this, but relies on people posting them there)

Shared training material and resources; links to other resource websites (eg: MicroscopyU)

Information about how UK microscopy facilities are funded and structured

Funding opportunities



Community engagement

25% wanted an annual BiolmagingUK meeting

29% wanted more regular, local BiolmagingUK meetings

46% wanted both

Other suggestions:

- Always use pre-existing meetings to host add-on BioUK workshops
- Consider using conference calls for smaller meetings/discussions and possibly webinars



Imaging Scientists: careers and training

41% of imaging scientists said their job title reflected their role, 44% did not.
88% said it would/might help to have this

33% said their work was recognized in publications; 54% said sometimes, 11% said never. The vast majority said this was due to no local policy being in place
75% said there should be a standardized way to recognize contributions to publications

78% had training opportunities at their workplace; 89% had access to training and 74% had access to funding to support training needs

The vast majority of requests for new training were for image analysis



61% said they would be willing to provide training; 27% said maybe

75% said they would be willing to be listed on a skills database; 18% said maybe



BiolmagingUK strategy

Highest technical development priorities:

1. Software development
2. Data storage
3. Data sharing

Highest strategic funding priorities:

1. Sustainable support for facilities
2. Sustainable support and training for image analysis
3. Sustainable support for new instrument development and delivery to users