



# Good Scientific Practice 2021

## Implementation timeline

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Good Scientific Practice (GSP) sets out the professional standards on which safe and good working practice is founded for all those in the healthcare science workforce. After an extensive review process, the Academy has published an updated version of GSP and these revisions will need to be implemented over the following timelines:

- **Registrants:** registrants should be working to GSP (2021) from the date of publication. New registrants completing a healthcare science training programmes or apprenticeships in the academic year 2020-21 or 2021-22 will have until 1 September 2022 to ensure they are working to the new standards.
- **Educators of the healthcare science workforce:** education providers delivering practitioner or higher specialist scientist training programmes leading to registration with the Academy are expected to align their programmes to the revised GSP standards at the latest by 1 September 2022. An earlier transition to the revised standards is welcomed by the Academy.
- **National School of Healthcare Science** – accreditation standards and any assessment process underpinned by or referencing GSP should be aligned to the revised standards by September 2022.
- **Equivalence applicants** – all new Equivalence applicants from 1 September 2021 should refer to the revised GSP. From this date, STP Equivalence applicants must map their evidence to the GSP 2021 standards, using the mapping template available on the Academy's website.