



UK Biobank – Access Management System Upgrade - Communication #1

Dear Researcher,

UK Biobank will be launching its new Access Management System (AMS2) this autumn. We are completing final testing and expect the new system to be available in October 2017.

This upgrade represents many months of hard work and takes into account feedback received since Access opened in 2012. The new system will bring many enhancements, including:

- an intuitive, easy to use design supporting access from both desktop and tablet devices;
- improved integration with other UK Biobank services, such as Data Showcase;
- a single application form (replacing preliminary and main) to reduce time to data access;
- updated functionality for managing research projects underway.

Further information regarding the new system and what it means to our research community can be found on the UK Biobank website –

<http://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/register-apply/>

The new system has been custom-designed and will allow us to deliver further enhancements over time. We have prepared a short Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document which we will be adding to over the coming weeks –

<http://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/ams2-system-faq/>

It remains business-as-usual with the existing system and there is nothing you need to do right now. Please be assured that we will provide further information as we approach the launch date both via email and information distributed via the website, so keep an eye out for more news!

If you have any questions, please read the FAQ first before contacting the Access Team.

With best wishes from UK Biobank & the Access Team