**Image of Research Competition 2025**

**Researcher Journey**

**Application Form**

In this Prize category we want to hear about your journey captured and visualised in a single image: What obstacles did you have to overcome? Which countries have your research career and education taken you? Please be as creative as you feel and show us your unique journey! You are eligible to apply if you are currently employed by or have an honorary association with the University of Liverpool. Please note that the winners of the Images of Research Competition will be announced at the Research Staff Conference on 3rd December 2025. For more information and to register for your ticket here: <https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/researcher/research-staff-conference/2025/>

**Please return this completed application form (as a .pdf) together with your image to** **researcher@liverpool.ac.uk**

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| **Role** (*Please select the option(s) that most apply to you*)* **PGR Student** (i.e., currently undertaking doctoral/ PhD research)
* **Early Career Researcher** (e.g., post-doctoral researchers, research assistants, research associates, and early career research fellows)
* **Established Researcher** (e.g., research group leaders, principal investigators, senior research fellows)
* **Academic, Teaching and Research Staff** (e.g., lecturer, senior lecturer, reader, professor)
* **Clinical Research Staff**
* **Research-related Professional Services Staff**
* **Research Technical Professionals**
* **Other** (please specify):
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| **Entry title:** – max 100 characters: |
| **Abstract:** – max 150 words:  *Briefly explain your research journey. It should* *be written in an accessible, engaging style for a general audience.* **Social media handle:** *If you provide this, we will tag your image on Bluesky or LinkedIn.*  |
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| **Alt text:***Please provide a brief alt text description of the image –* [*see the University of Liverpool guidance*](https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/intranet/digital-communications/content-design/images/#:~:text=can%20advise%20further.-,Alt%20text,-If%20an%20image)*.* |
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| **Format guidelines:**Please submit your image in the format below ([guidance from the University of Liverpool Digital Communications Images intranet page](https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/intranet/digital-communications/content-design/images/)): * 3:2 aspect ratio
* Under 200KB file size
* Format: only .jpeg or .png

 Please upload the image as an attachment along with the completed application form and email to researcher@liverpool.ac.uk  If it is too large to attach to an email, please use <https://wetransfer.com/> to send the image to the above email address and include your full name and department in the message.  |
| **Guidance on AI and digital enhancement*** Images generated by AI are not permitted in this competition.
* AI modifications that alter the content of the image are similarly not permitted. Such modifications include (but are not limited to) adding, removing, rearranging, reversing or distorting of people or objects from within the frame.
* Minor adjustments (with or without AI assistance) that do not alter the content of the photograph are allowed. These could include cropping, enhancements due to minor changes of brightness or contrast, or conversion to grayscale.

I confirm that the submitted image was not generated by AI and has not been modified or manipulated to change the content of the image: □ Yes □ No |
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* University website publishing
* University promotion/advertising
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| **Image use consent** I confirm that I have permission from any individuals who are identified/visible in the image submitted for its use in the Images of Research Competition and all individuals understand the authorisation of use for the purposes mentioned above.  I also hereby unconditionally and irrevocably waive any interest in the copyright in the material, to the extent that such rights are capable of being waived. I understand that my photograph, audio or video recording may remain in use for up to 10 years from the date below. If I wish to withdraw consent for the future use of such material, I may do so by emailing researcher@liverpool.ac.uk however, this withdrawal of consent will not apply retrospectively to material already in circulation.   |
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