

Before completing this form, please refer to the document, 'Registration for the Chartered Scientist Programme'.  
If you require any further help, please contact Membership and Qualifications.

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Or visit the RSC website at **www.rsc.org/csci**

## 1. Current Category of Membership

Membership no.  Current category (please tick) ☐ Member ☐ Fellow ☐ CChem

Family name

First name

Job title

## 2. Details About the Report

For those that do not have the relevant qualifications, you will need to complete this report form. You can request this in hard copy from the Professional Standards Specialist; please use the above email address.

The report must be no more than 1,000 words and should take you approximately 2 hours to complete.

The panel will be looking to see that you have developed your scientific knowledge and skills base since completing your formal education. This development should be apparent through your job roles that you have held, either through leading project teams or developing new procedures within your company. They will also be looking for evidence of problem solving within your job role and remember that this is to be equated to an M Level science degree, so the work should be scientifically based.

Please note that if your project which you would like to use for the Equivalence Report is not chemically based please contact the RSC for further guidance as we can still accept other forms of evidence which is of a scientific nature that does not necessarily fall with the chemical science discipline.

Your report should outline one or more projects where you have had to apply your scientific knowledge critically and apply advanced skills and scientific information to the problem at hand. If possible please present your report in the format of:

- Project Aim
- Outcome
- Development
- Evaluation

The Admissions Committee who will be assessing your equivalence report for registration will look for application of specialised knowledge and understanding to particular problems, applications and understanding or certain areas within the project.

## 2. Details About the Report (continued)

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As a reference point you will need to exhibit characteristics that correspond to the UK's Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education qualifications framework. These frameworks are described in more detail on their website.

**www.qaa.ac.uk**

These state that a master's graduate should be able to:

- 1 deal with complex issues both systematically and creatively, make sound judgements in the absence of complete data, and communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences;
- 2 demonstrate self-direction and originality in tackling and solving problems, and act autonomously in planning and implementing tasks at a professional or equivalent level;
- 3 continue to advance their knowledge and understanding, and develop new skills to a high level.

And have:

- 4 the qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment requiring:
  - the exercise of initiative and personal responsibility;
  - decision-making in complex and unpredictable situations; and
  - the independent learning ability required for continuing professional development.

If you have already written a suitable report or document that could be submitted directly we will gladly consider this in place of completing the form.

## 3. Equivalence Report

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