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## Research News from across the University - January 2020

### WHAT'S NEW



[Review of the year - our most popular papers of 2019](#) - The Reading research papers that got the most attention across the globe in 2019



Film from IFNH  
[Working together to find solutions across the food system](#) - The University's Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health is working with a



[How to design a forest fit to heal the planet](#) - Dr Heather Plumptre writes in The Conversation



[Applications invited for Research Engagement and](#)

### WHAT'S ON

**Annual Chaplaincy Lecture  
20 January**

[Former University of Reading lecturer Neil MacGregor discusses 'A Church for Shepherds or Kings?'](#)



**Book Launch  
23 January**

[The Self Deception by Professor Tom Oliver](#)

global community of industry, research and academic partners to explore interrelationships between health, nutrition, food and the environment to find innovative solutions to global challenges



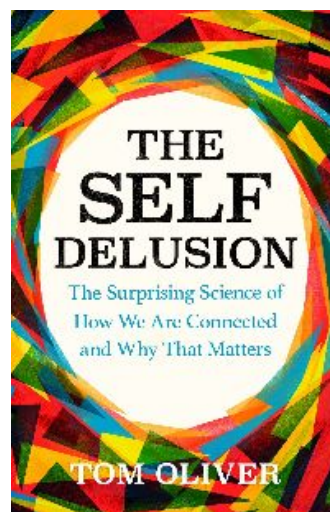
[University joins UK Reproducibility Network](#)

[Impact Awards 2020 - deadline 12 February](#)



[What can archaeology tell us about medieval medical care?](#) Professor Roberta Gilchrist offers insights in her new open access book: [Sacred Heritage: Monastic Archaeology, Identities, Beliefs](#)

**MORE NEWS**



**CELM Public Lecture  
20 February**  
[Understanding children's reading: At school and at home](#)



**MORE EVENTS**

**FEATURE**

## Promote your research

As 2020 begins, the [Research Excellence Framework](#) submission date is on the horizon. Read our [blog](#) with 5 simple ways you can raise the profile of your research in the run-up to REF.

1. Regularly update your e-mail footer with information about your new publications and key activities.
2. Include a link to the University's research blog and Twitter feed in your footer to showcase the work of colleagues – e.g.: *Join us on Twitter [@UniRdg\\_Research](#) and read our research blog [Connecting Research](#).*
3. Send PDFs of new publications (or shareable links) to your contacts – don't assume they will see it in a journal.
4. Submit your work to [CentAUR](#) to comply with the University's open access policy.
5. Reach out to colleagues by attending events, actively networking at conferences, and contributing to online debates.

In this way we can act together as ambassadors for our University community and demonstrate pride in our work.

## IN THE NEWS



The prestigious Sir James Black award for Drug Discovery 2019 has been awarded to a team including Professor Claire Williams and Dr Gary Stephens and former Reading academic Professor Ben Whalley, for their development of Epidiolex, a cannabis-derived drug for two forms of childhood epilepsy. The drug, codeveloped with GW Pharma, was approved for use on the NHS on 6 January after over a decade's research – find out more in our [blog post](#).



Professor Ed Hawkins was named in the New Years Honours list and appointed an MBE for services to climate science and science communication. Read our [press release](#).



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