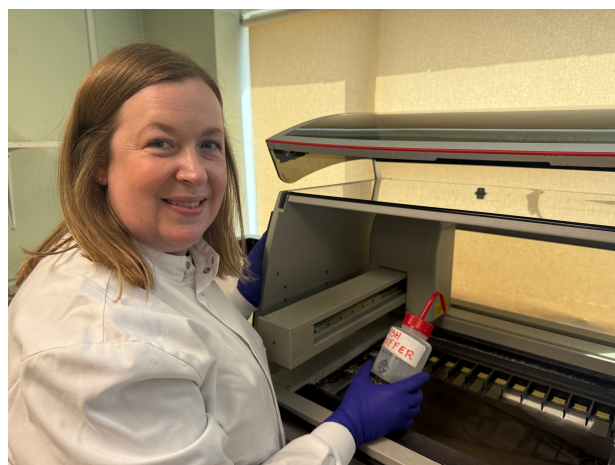


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WUTH shortlisted for national biomedical science award

Colleagues from the Immunohistochemistry team at Wirral University Teaching Hospital have been shortlisted for a prestigious 2026 award from the Institute of Biomedical Science, recognising excellence in partnership working.

The team is part of a collaborative group of NHS laboratories across Cheshire and Merseyside, working together to improve how immunohistochemistry testing is delivered across the region. This type of testing plays a vital role in diagnosing conditions such as cancer, where accuracy and consistency are essential.



Helen Clarry, pictured, Cellular Pathology Healthcare Scientist Professional Manager, played a key role in establishing the group through the Cheshire and Mersey Pathology Network, bringing together expertise from multiple organisations.

Through this collaboration, teams have shared knowledge, addressed common challenges and introduced new approaches to quality improvement.

One of the group's key achievements has been the development of a joint comparison scheme, enabling laboratories to benchmark results, particularly for specialised tests not covered by national schemes.

This work is helping to improve turnaround times, strengthen quality assurance and ensure patients across the region benefit from consistent, high standards of care.

The group's work has also been recognised nationally, featuring in the January 2026 edition of The Biomedical Scientist.

This shortlisting is a testament to the dedication and expertise of the teams involved and the positive impact of partnership working.

The awards will take place on Friday 26th June 2026.

