



UNIVERSITY OF
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College of Engineering and
Physical Sciences

School of Chemistry

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To whom it may concern

Dear Sir/Madam,

Regional Final – RSC Top of the Bench Competition 2018
School of Chemistry
University of Birmingham

I am writing in response to your enquiry regarding a risk assessment for your visit to the RSC Top of the Bench Competition, hosted by our department on 20th Jan 2018.

There will be a practical session in the laboratory in which the teams will carry out a set task. Activities will have been approved by CLEAPSS and will involve only low hazard chemicals and apparatus. The activities will be well supervised with laboratory staff, lecturers, post graduates or technicians in attendance at all times. At least one of these members of staff will also be a trained first aider and fire warden.

Students will be requested to wear appropriate personal protective equipment whilst in the laboratory; this includes eye protection and labcoats which will be provided where necessary. This is a university rule, which is always carefully observed. Students will also be reminded as to general safety requirements and good practice for laboratory work.

I hope your team has an enjoyable day and benefits greatly from the practical opportunity provided.

Yours faithfully,

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