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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR BIR/SIEMENS RESEARCH AWARD**

Siemens are once more supporting a pump-priming research bursary, the BIR/Siemens Research Award, to provide support to researchers in the fields of radiology, radiotherapy, oncology, radiography or medical physics.

The BIR/Siemens Research Award will provide £1000 for initial financial support to enable researchers to develop proposals with the aim of attracting further funding from external sources.

The award is in memory of Sir James Mackenzie Davidson, a pioneer in British radiology.

Peter Harrison, Managing Director of Siemens plc (Healthcare Division) said “We are delighted to be collaborating with the BIR again in this annual award to help medical imaging researchers in the vital initial development stage of a research proposal”.

Dr David Wilson, President of the BIR, said “We are immensely grateful to Siemens for providing this funding to support researchers to get their research projects off the ground”.

Last year the award was won by Dr Karen Eley from Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, for her research project on "Black Bone" MRI and Craniosynostosis. The award will be formally presented at RSNA in December 2015.

To apply, participants must provide a 750 word outline of the intended research project and send to [awards@bir.org.uk](mailto:awards@bir.org.uk) by 31 December 2015.

More details are available on the BIR website [www.bir.org.uk](http://www.bir.org.uk)

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Photo: (Left to right) Dr David Wilson (President, BIR) and Peter Harrison, Managing Director, Siemens Healthcare



### **Notes to Editors**

#### **About The British Institute of Radiology**

- The British Institute of Radiology (BIR) is an independent multidisciplinary organisation, and a registered charity, whose membership is open to everyone with an interest in radiology and radiation oncology.
- The British Institute of Radiology is the oldest radiological society in the world.
- We strive to ensure that the potential of image science and radiation technology to prevent, detect and combat disease is fully realised. We believe in the importance of research and education, and we promote collaboration and the sharing of knowledge and understanding.
- To help fulfil our aims, we undertake a wide range of activities, including publishing, the organisation of scientific meetings and conferences and the provision of library and information services.

## About Siemens

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