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SPI-M-O
Department of Health & Social Care,
39 Victoria Street,
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Re: SPI-M-O Award for Modelling and Data Support

Dear Chris Jewell,

Epidemiological and modelling advice has been vital in the government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Scientific Pandemic Influenza Group on Modelling (SPI-M-O) and Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (SAGE) recognise that this has involved teams of people, who have often worked long and unsociable hours to ensure the government has access to world leading scientific evidence.

The SPI-M-O Award for Modelling and Data Support (SAMDS) has been introduced to recognise those people who have made an exceptional contribution to the work of SPI-M-O outside of their usual work activity.

We are pleased to inform you that you have been selected to receive a SAMDS. The award does not carry a financial value, but demonstrates our gratitude for your support during the pandemic, and should be added to your CV.

This letter is formal confirmation of your SAMDS. On behalf of SAGE, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the exceptional contribution you have made to SPI-M-O and the scientific advice which has supported Government's response to the pandemic.

We wish you every success in your future career.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Vallance
Government Chief Scientific Adviser

Chris Whitty
Chief Medical Officer for England