

**MAYOR OF LONDON**



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Dear Mr Burghes

Thank you for your letter of 14 July about your work with University College London and The Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust to establish a world-class research facility for immunity and transplantation in London.

The facility will complement other recent initiatives in this field, including the Francis Crick Institute, and strengthen further the global reputation of the bioscience sector in London and the Greater South East, which is a key objective of my MedCity initiative.

I would be delighted to learn more about your plans for the facility and offer an endorsement. Could I suggest that in the first instance you liaise with Laura Gilbert, Senior Policy Officer for Science and Technology Life Sciences, in my Economic and Business unit, by email at [REDACTED] or on [REDACTED]

Thank you again for writing to me.

Yours sincerely

**Boris Johnson**  
Mayor of London