



## Accreditation and Qualifications

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Dear Dr Softley

As you know the Royal Society of Chemistry is working on a project to map qualifications against the competency requirements for Registered Science Technician (RSciTech), a professional register held by the Science Council.

Through this mapping exercise, we have identified that the following qualifications meet some aspects of the Science Council's registration standards for RSciTech and therefore support progression towards achievement of the award:

*500/6725/4- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)*

*600/5849/3- Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)*

*500/6673/0- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)*

*500/6720/5- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)*

The level 3 Diploma also contributed the knowledge component of an apprenticeship accredited by the Royal Society of Chemistry in 2013.

The qualifications listed above will give students an advantage when applying for related jobs, apprenticeships or training over individuals that hold no qualifications.

We would very much like to develop a truly robust system to recognise these qualifications. Most Quality Assurance mechanisms of this type involve a peer review system, and we strongly advocate such an approach

The statements in this letter are based on work carried out by the Royal Society of Chemistry as a professional body and do not necessarily reflect those of our individual members or committees.

Yours sincerely

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