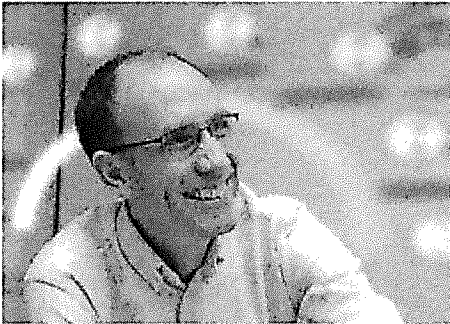


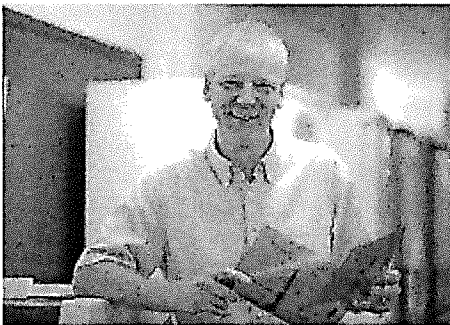
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Cambridge MRC scientists honoured

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Two scientists from the Medical Research Council in Cambridge have been honoured - for outstanding contributions to the advancement of medical sciences.



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Dr Andrew McKenzie of MRC Cambridge, who has been made Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences

Dr Sean Munro has been elected Fellow of the Royal Society and Dr Andrew McKenzie was elected Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

Dr Munro is group leader in the Cell Biology Division of the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology (LMB), based at the Addenbrooke's site.

He is distinguished for his outstanding research into the organisation of the internal membranes of the cells that make up the human body and the movement of specific proteins within cells.

Dr McKenzie is group leader from the Protein and Nucleic Acid Chemistry Division of the LMB.

His research investigates how the cells in the immune system communicate by sending out protein messengers that are received by other cells and cause them to switch on specific functions. His work, which focuses on the immune response caused by allergic asthma which is triggered by an abnormal reaction to a variety of allergens, has potential for treating asthma.

Fellowships of both organisation are given for outstanding contributions to the advancement of medical sciences.