Whatever the final result of Brexit talks, science needs an outcome that:

Keeps highly-skilled scientists working in the UK and ensures that talented people from around the world still choose to come here and contribute to our globally competitive science.

Keeps access to money and networks which support the UK to work with scientists around the world.

Maintains regulation that supports access to new medicines, technologies and constructive collaborations.

Ensure that UK and EU scientists can continue to work in each other’s countries with minimal friction, bureaucracy and cost.

Prioritise UK association to the next EU research and innovation funding programme, Horizon Europe.

Enhance the UK’s place in global science while protecting existing strengths and relationships.

Ensure that the UK can continue to take part in EU-wide clinical trials and European Reference Networks, which help us to do cutting edge research into new medical treatments and diagnostics, and give patients access to these.

Demonstrate that the UK is a great place to do great science, and a welcoming place for people around the world to choose to bring their specialist skills.

Agree regulation and governance that will ensure that scientists can continue to work together across borders and we can all benefit from the new medicines and technologies that they create.

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