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Welcome to the FOM Newsletter.

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## Faculty announces new Chief Executive

### Message from the President

The Faculty of Occupational Medicine is saying goodbye to our long-standing Chief Executive Nicky Coates, who leaves us today, Friday 17 April 2015, after almost ten years in post. Our thanks go to Nicky for her all hard work and dedication, with our best wishes for the future.

We have appointed a new Chief Executive who will take up post on Monday 20 April 2015. Judith Willetts was selected from an excellent field of candidates. Judith is an experienced chief executive who has worked in both the private and voluntary sectors. She was previously the Chief Executive of the British Society for Immunology, and has in the past worked for other organisations with a scientific theme. We were impressed by Judith's enthusiasm and clear strategic thinking, and are excited about the contribution that she will make to the leadership of the Faculty.

Judith will be meeting members of the FOM Board over the next few weeks. Once she is familiar with the immediate tasks and priorities, Judith will introduce herself to the membership with an article in the newsletter. Her first opportunity to start meeting members will be at the joint annual scientific meeting with the Society of Occupational Medicine in Manchester in July. Judith has high aspirations for excellent communication with our membership.

We hope you will join us in welcoming Judith to the Faculty at this challenging and exciting time in our lifecourse.

**Richard Heron**

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## From the outgoing Chief Executive

As I stand down today, I would like to thank again all the many members and colleagues who have worked with me over the time I have been with the Faculty.

My very best wishes go to my successor, Judith, who I am sure will see the Faculty going from strength to strength.

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With best wishes

Nicky Coates

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Chief Executive

