

Widening horizons funnel¹⁰

Nearby	Still close	A little further	Away from research	Anything goes
			Legal or patents	Any 'graduate level' job - Accounting - Law - Marketing - Production - Admin
		Government lab	Teaching schools/ colleges	Personnel
	Research Fellow	Museum/gallery	Scientific /public policy advisor	Private sector
	Technical support	Research Institute	Government 'desk researcher'	Not-for-profit sector
Research staff – new contract	Lecturer	Research Council, Charity, private company	Publishing	Self-employment
	Administrator	Small or medium enterprise, Research and Development	Research Councils	Small or medium enterprise
	Entrepreneur	Consultancy firm or Independent consultant	Clinical advisor	Large organisation
		Your own 'spin-off' business	Pharmaceuticals	Service sector
			Production manager	Manufacturing
			Technical sales/ marketing	Government
			Consultancy	Start your own business
Narrow horizon – known and safe but secure	A little wider – but still university based	Still research but transferring research skills to another setting	Using knowledge and understanding but not research	Using transferable skills rather than specific knowledge

Increasing 'risk' and research effort to investigate
 Increasing breadth of opportunity
 Increasing likelihood of retraining (but not always)
 Increasing wide horizons, the world is your oyster!

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