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What is your role?
I am Director of the Lydia Becker Institute of Immunology and Inflammation; Director of the Manchester Collaborative Centre for Inflammation Research; Director of the Infection, Immunity, Inflammation and Repair Domain; and academic lead for the MAHSC Inflammation and Repair Domain.

Where are you based?
I am based on the second floor of the Core Technology Facility.

What are the top three priorities in your role?
1. Define Manchester as the leading university in immunology and inflammation
2. Develop the next generation of relevant academics
3. Capitalise on Manchester’s strengths to develop exciting and bespoke new initiatives

What are the key challenges facing the Faculty?
The first challenge is unfortunately its structure, which doesn’t make sense in some areas. The second is our reliance on enrolling ever more students at the expense of quality. Oh, and of course Brexit.

What’s the best thing about working at the University?
The collegiality displayed by most and the inclusive leadership.

Who are what would you put in Room 101?
Definitely Donald Trump.

What are your guilty pleasures?
Drinking wine and being mischievous.

What’s your biggest regret?
Pulling a whole row of garages down by catching the car bumper on the doorframe whilst reversing when I didn’t even have a driving license.