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ACADEMIC SUCCESS FOR SISTER JODIE

Most of the articles in the British Medical Journal's learned publications are written by consultants and senior doctors and it is very rare for an academic article written by a nurse to be published.

But Sister Jodie Crook of the Rainbow Ward at St Bernard's has achieved this unusual distinction. The BMJ's 'Archives of Disease in Childhood' has printed Jodie's analysis of the effectiveness of the 'Capillary Refill Time test' as a means of assessing sick children. Most of Jodie's research was carried out when she was working at the Ealing Hospital in London but, using this raw data, she has been working on the article since she arrived at St Bernard's 18 months ago.

'I am incredibly proud to have had my article published,' said Jodie. 'And I also feel proud to have been given so much support and encouragement since I arrived here.'