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Dear Reader:

I am writing these words in the hope that they will help you to learn more about the Centre for Health, Law and Emerging Technologies (HeLEX). I was fortunate enough to be admitted as a visitor between May and August 2019 and my impressions of the Centre could not be more positive.

From a scientific point of view, I was able to discuss my ideas with all the members of the team, including Jane Kaye, the director of the centre. She was always extremely generous with her time, and the overall experience enabled me to learn from her experience and the way they approached their own research. Moreover, sharing meals with team members was a wonderful experience from a personal point of view, which allowed me to learn more about British culture.

I was encouraged (and helped) at all times to attend conferences and talks and to participate in the leisure activities available at Oxford University. I was offered the opportunity to get in touch with people outside the group itself. In addition, I was integrated into the team at all times and was invited to the group activities organised by the Centre itself as a member of the same, always being treated in a friendly and affectionate manner.

I can only thank Jane, Harriet, Michael, Jessica, Sarah, Heather, Miranda, Nisha, Stergois, Hannah and Arianna (and, of course, the wonderful Imogen and Fiona) for giving me such a great opportunity on a professional level and, on a personal level, the best summer I can remember in many years.

With my warmest greetings and best wishes to all the team,

Christian Conal