

EDI introduction to Outreach and Engagement

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Why do it?

- Altruism
- Grants
- REF
- Promotion, promotion, promotion!
- Transferable skills
- Marginal gains applying for jobs
- Re-enthuse you in your studies.
- Communicate with fellow scientists.
- OfS – Access agreement.
- Societal benefits

Comets

Risk of comet hitting Earth is greater than previously thought, say researchers

Monitoring of space objects should include giant 'centaurs' that could rain down debris for thousands of years, astronomers recommend

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Earth could be at higher risk of being hit by a comet than widely thought,



Asteroids

Huge 'planet killer' asteroid discovered - and it's heading our way

With a diameter of 1 to 2km, space rock named 2022 AP7 crosses our orbit but has 'no chance' of hitting Earth

Nicola Davis
Science correspondent

@NicolaKSDavis
Tue 1 Nov 2022 19.05 GMT



The asteroid was discovered by the four-metre Blanco telescope at the Cerro Tololo observatory in Chile. Photograph: Reidar Hahn/Fermilab VMS/PA

Astronomers say they have discovered the largest planet-killer sized asteroid

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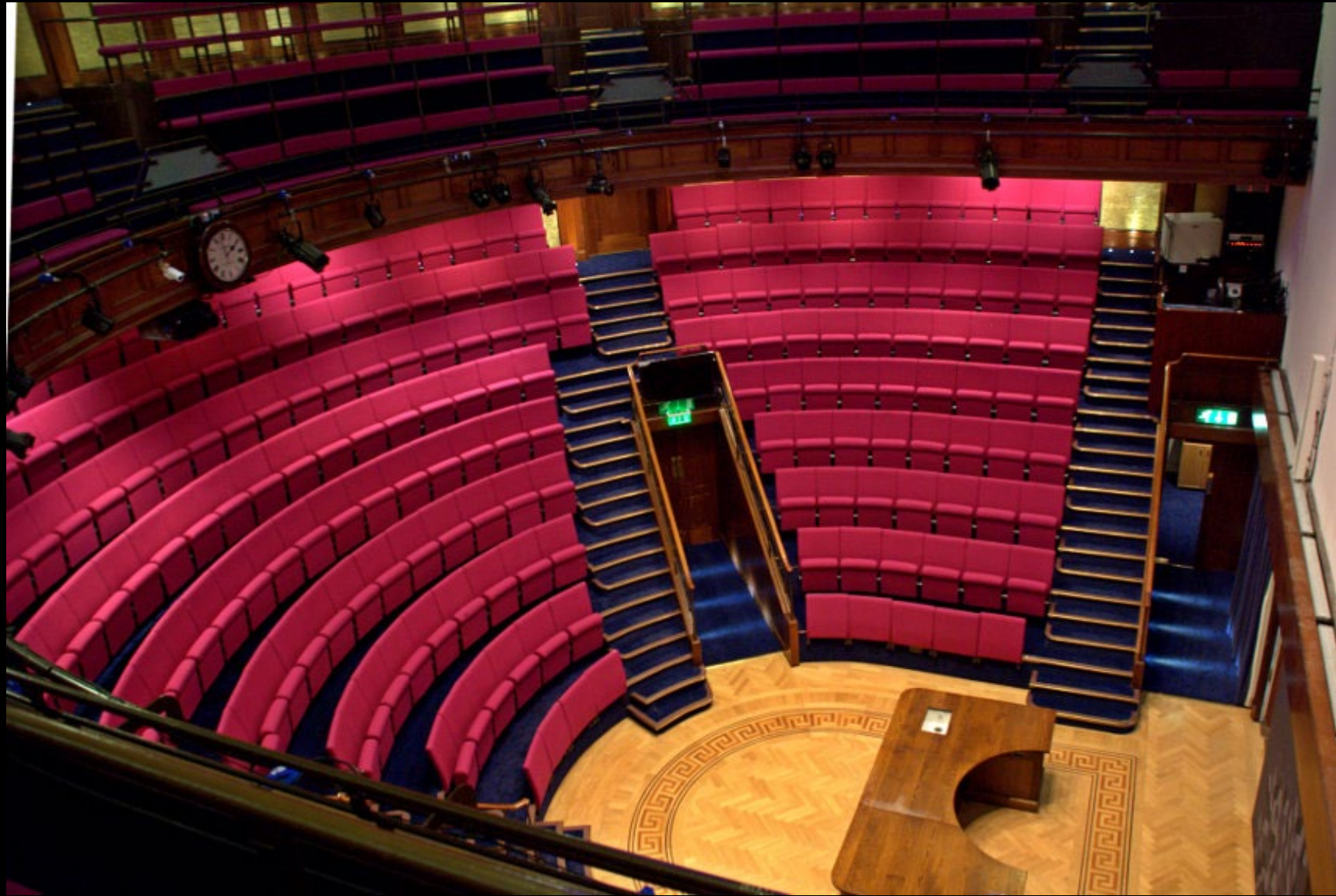
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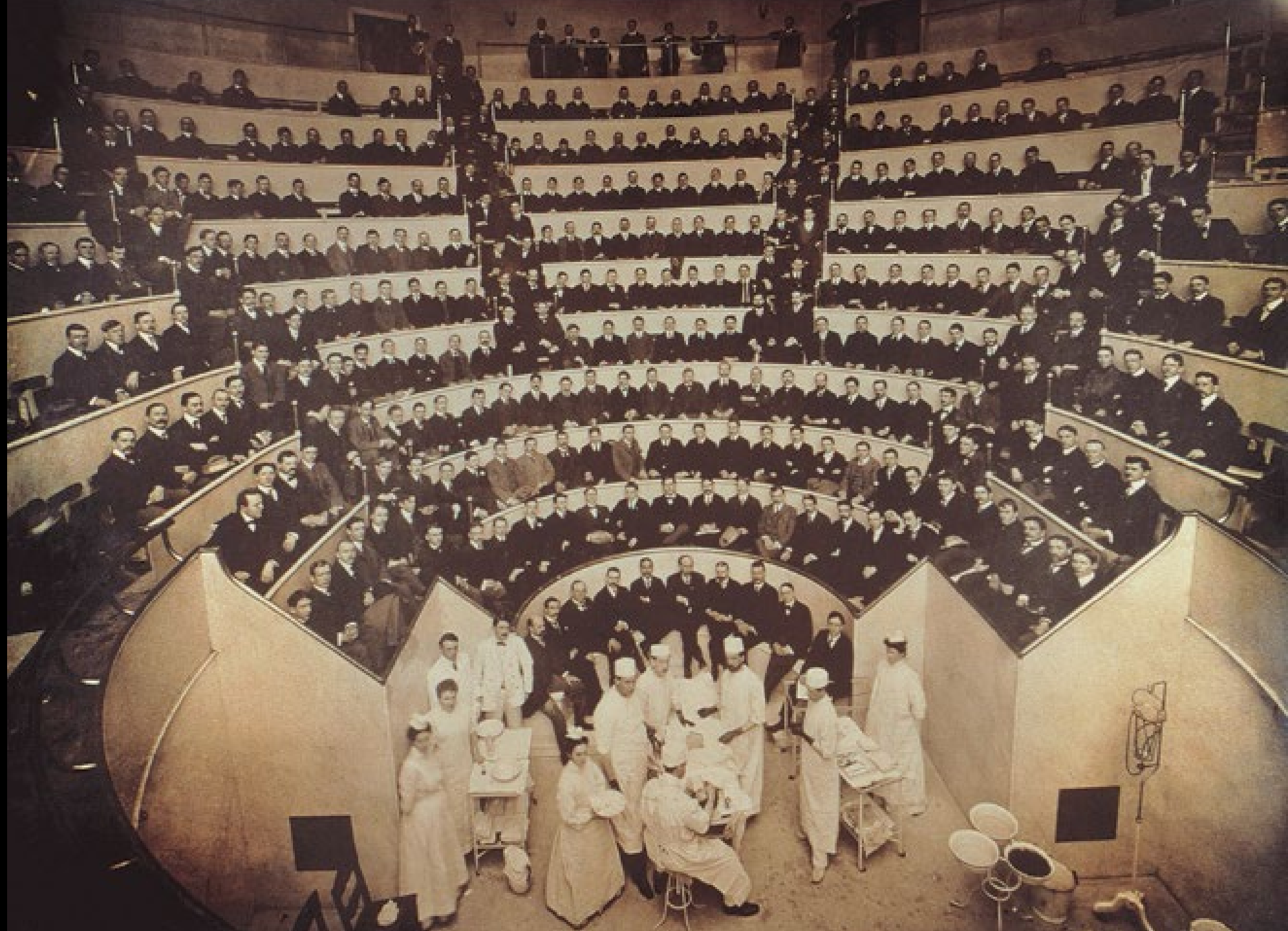
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A brief history of Societal engagement













RETRACTED: Ileal-lymphoid-nodular hyperplasia, non-specific colitis, and pervasive developmental disorder in children

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Summary

Background

We investigated a consecutive series of children with chronic enterocolitis and regressive developmental disorder.

Methods

12 children (mean age 6 years [range 3–10], 11 boys) were referred to a paediatric gastroenterology unit with a history of normal development followed by loss of acquired skills, including language, together with diarrhoea and abdominal pain. Children underwent gastroenterological, neurological, and developmental assessment and review of developmental records. Ileocolonoscopy and biopsy sampling, magnetic-resonance imaging (MRI), electroencephalography (EEG), and lumbar puncture

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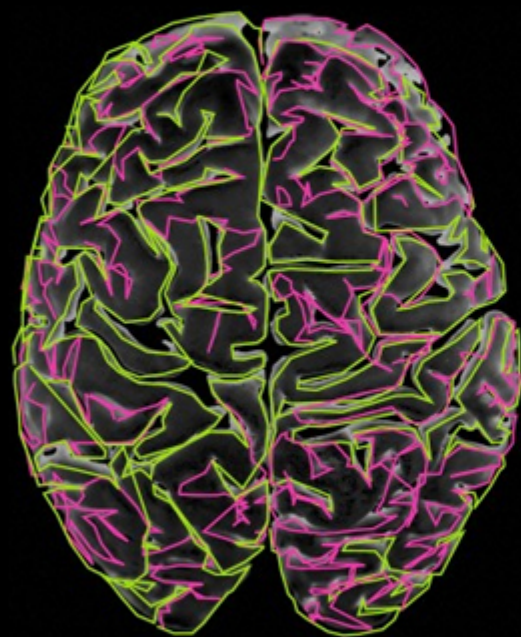
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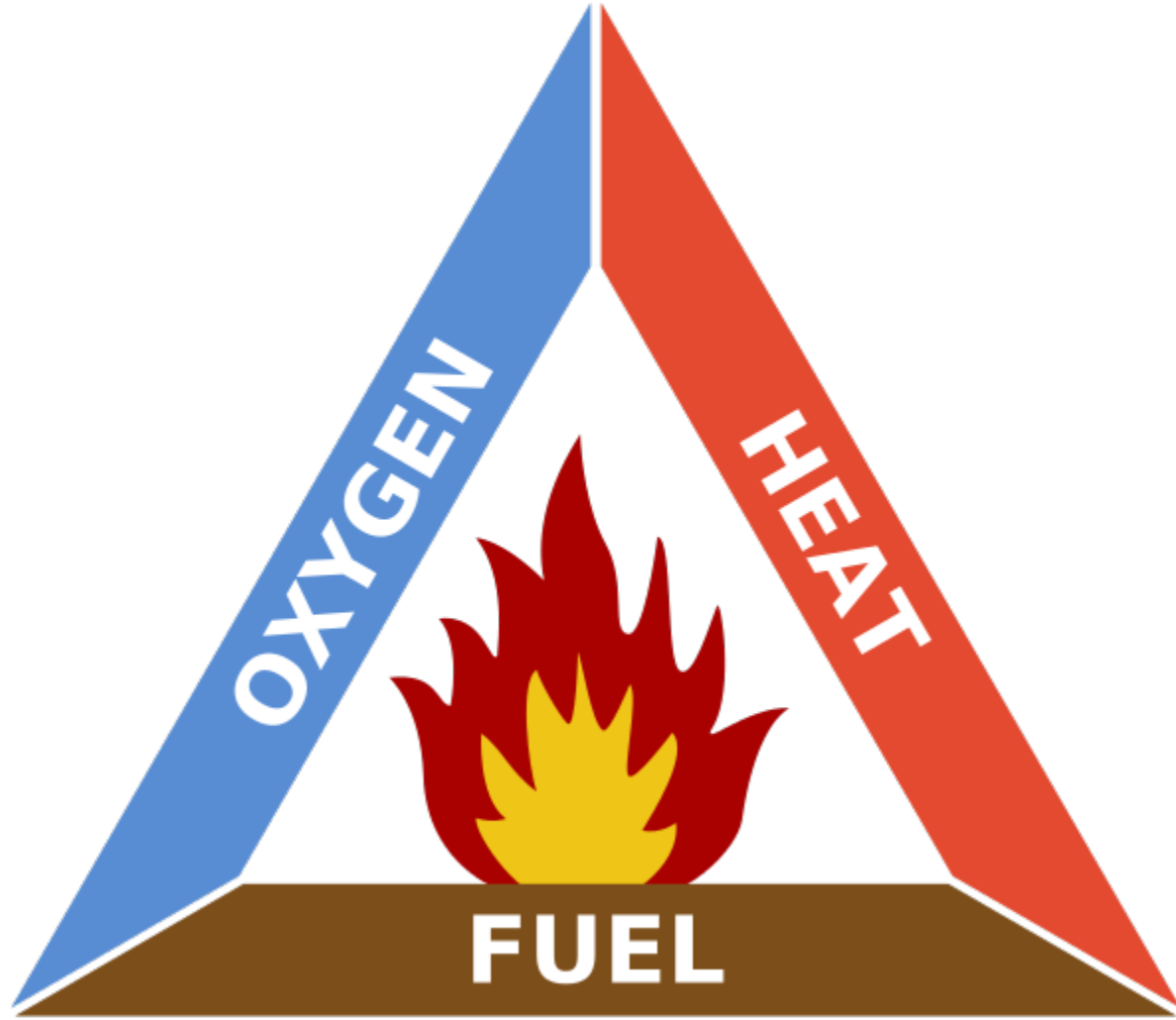


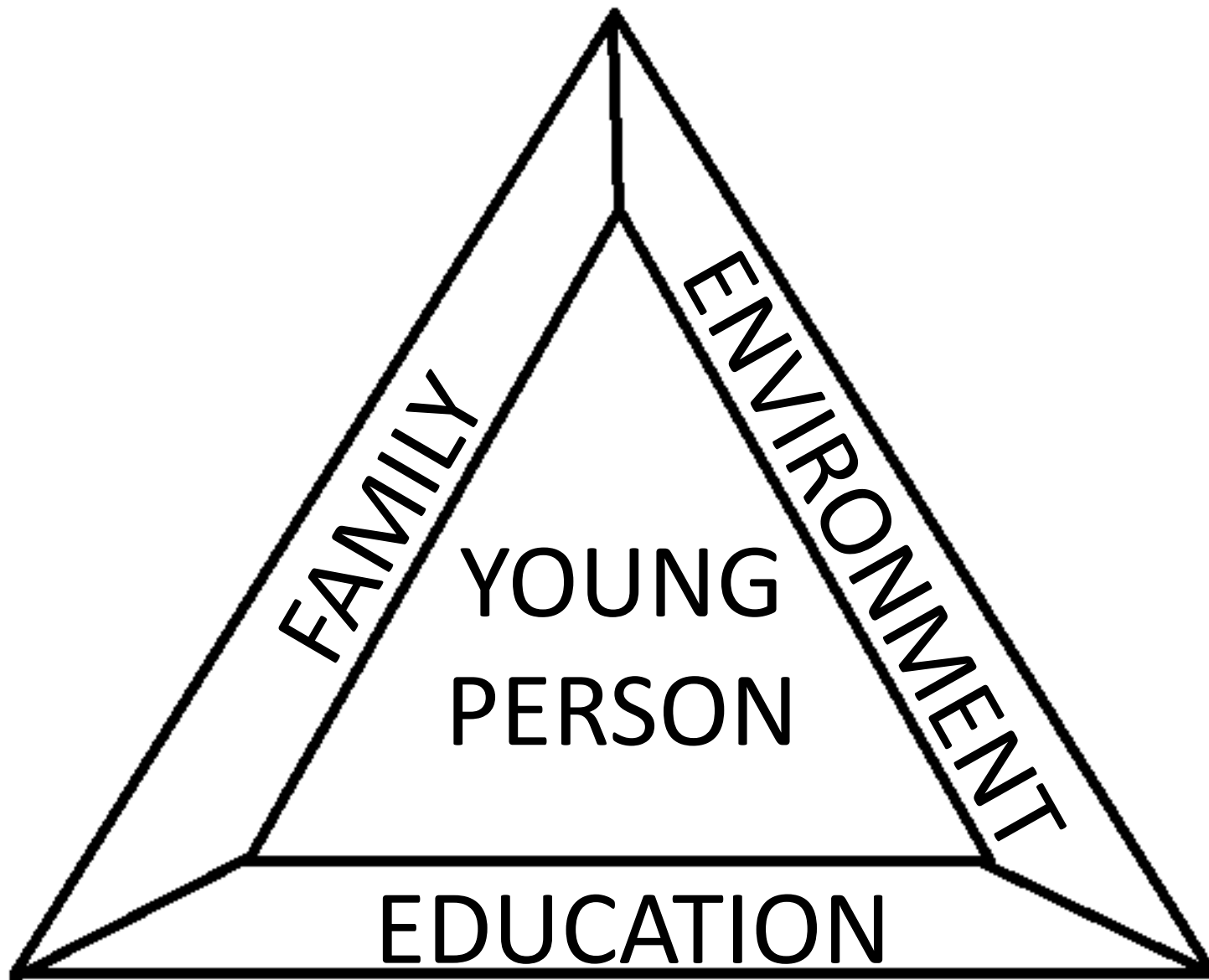
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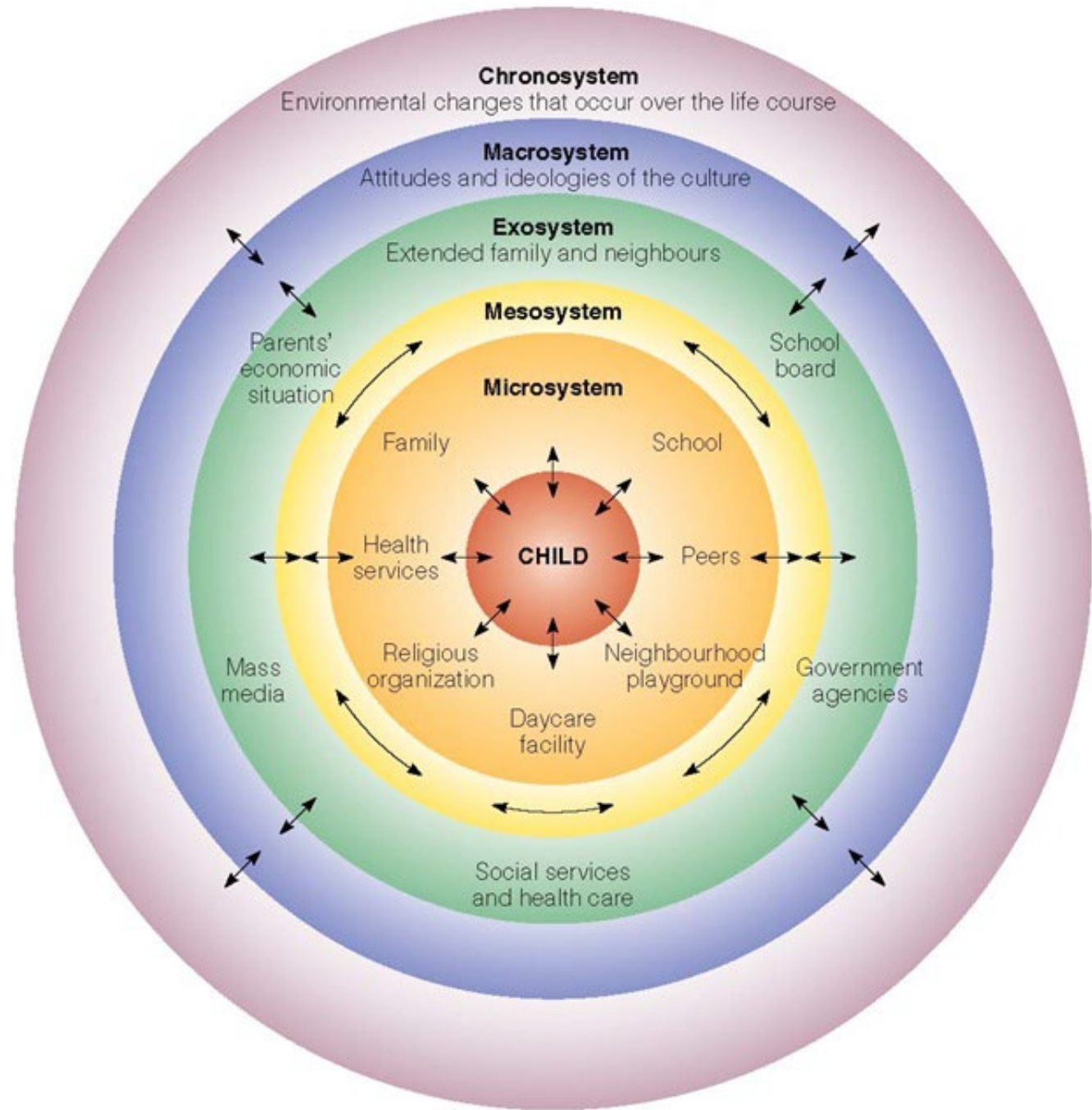
- We're all publicly funded.
- Dispel myths (Climate change, GM, etc)
- Role models/Careers/Education etc
- Be open about results!
- Achieve a scientifically literate population.
- Fees!

COVID- All change!

- Pre-COVID issues were present but overlooked.
- Usual suspects
- Nuts and Bolts approach needed
- Inequality in education - EDI







Rhodes (2013)

Family

- Parents, Guardians, Carers.
- Need an understanding of the education system
- Level of Education = Support
- Tutoring
- Home schooling through COVID
- Lack of STEM role models
- Lack of science capital in family
- Food banks

Environment

- Role models in society
- Access to extra-curricula activities
- Economic situation
- Institutional barriers
- Changing 'environment'

Education - Primary

- 5% of teachers have science qualification beyond GCSE
- Lack of 'Science' specialist teachers
- No SATS
- Not really a focus for Universities
- COVID forced focus elsewhere

- Personally – Greatest opportunity

The issues are not hierarchical – each are of equal worth.

Issues identified	Implication	Observations
1 CHILDREN'S SCIENCE LEARNING IS SUPERFICIAL AND LACKS DEPTH	Children are not developing a deep understanding of the big ideas of science.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lesson planning lacks sequence: the 'Why this? Why now?' isn't clear Teachers and senior leaders align success in science with vocabulary recall, often using age-inappropriate terminology Overload of inappropriately selected science
2 CHILDREN'S PRECONCEPTIONS AREN'T ADEQUATELY VALUED	Children are not able to process or build on their prior learning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff have limited science subject knowledge relevant to their year group teaching Assessment does not inform next step teaching
3 CHILDREN'S SCIENCE LEARNING LACKS CHALLENGE	Children do not meet their full potential which limits their opportunities and aspirations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment practice does not inform teaching leading to insufficient response to pupil needs Resources are selected with insufficient professional critical analysis
4 CHILDREN ARE OVERRELIANT ON TEACHER TALK AND DIRECTION, THEY LACK AUTONOMY AND INDEPENDENCE IN LEARNING SCIENCE	Children's learning outcomes in science mimic those of their peers, as such not supporting individual feedback and progression.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher talk often dominates the lesson Learning is not structured to be truly collaborative with decisions on groupings steered mainly by organisation of equipment, or behaviour issues Talk for learning is compromised Children's work lacks value and ownership
5 CHILDREN EXPERIENCE 'FUN' SCIENCE ACTIVITIES THAT FAIL TO DEEPEN OR DEVELOP NEW LEARNING	Children retell the 'magic' moments in science learning and aren't able to explain what they have seen or the concept explored.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers misunderstand the point and purpose of practical work
6 CHILDREN ARE NOT ENCOURAGED TO USE THEIR OWN CURIOSITY, SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS AND QUESTIONS IN THEIR SCIENCE LEARNING	Children lack motivation towards working scientifically.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inconsistent understanding of how to model working and thinking scientifically Contexts for learning science relevant to children or of public interest are poorly utilised or seized
7 CHILDREN ARE ENGAGED IN PRESCRIPTIVE PRACTICAL WORK THAT LACKS PURPOSE	Children experience working scientifically that is formulaic and lacks authenticity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being 'hands on' dominates being 'minds on' Teachers are working harder than the children
8 CHILDREN DO NOT DRAW ON THEIR LEARNING FROM PRIOR SCIENTIFIC SKILLS, THEY DO NOT BUILD ON REPEATED AND REGULAR EXPERIENCES	Children have gaps as they move to the next phase of learning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National curriculum coverage is not met Formative assessment is not focused on developing skills Availability of equipment or its accurate use when available is ad hoc Inappropriate scheduling or timetabling for science
9 CHILDREN RARELY SEE THEMSELVES, THEIR FAMILIES, COMMUNITY MEMBERS OR THEIR TEACHERS AS SCIENTISTS	Children believe that science is about other people making a difference, not them.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unconscious bias reinforces messages of scientific stereotypes, gender and BAME (Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic groups) The needs of disadvantaged children are not met Contexts for science learning are poorly utilised
10 CHILDREN DO NOT APPLY LITERACY AND NUMERACY SKILLS IN SCIENCE AT THE STANDARD THEY USE IN ENGLISH AND MATHEMATICS	Children fail to see the interconnectedness of their science learning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited opportunities for children to transfer, practise and embed skills

Education - Secondary

- Lack of Physics teachers
- Impact of COVID
- Access to tutoring
- Teacher backgrounds
- Access to technology/Labs
- A-level tutoring

Figure 1 shows that schools with a higher proportion of disadvantaged students are less likely to have a high proportion of students entering separate science GCSEs. On average, schools with no entries have 38% of their Year 11 students from disadvantaged backgrounds.

% of students entering GCSE Separate Sciences	Mean % of FSM Year 11 students	Total schools	Total Year 11 GCSE students
0%	38%	269	43,769
1-25%	31%	1,467	250,455
25 – 50%	23%	1,102	188,862
50 – 75%	16%	172	27,544
>75%	12%	155	22,485

In 2019, 26.6% of GCSE students from all state-funded schools in England entered the separate science GCSEs. In 2018, this

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- What does the audie
- What's 'now' about

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Ways to

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3. The people behind

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Figure 5: The percentage of the key stage 4 cohort in maintained schools and colleges across England in 2019 entering science GCSEs, and those who did not enter, split by grade achieved, gender and disadvantage (FSM).

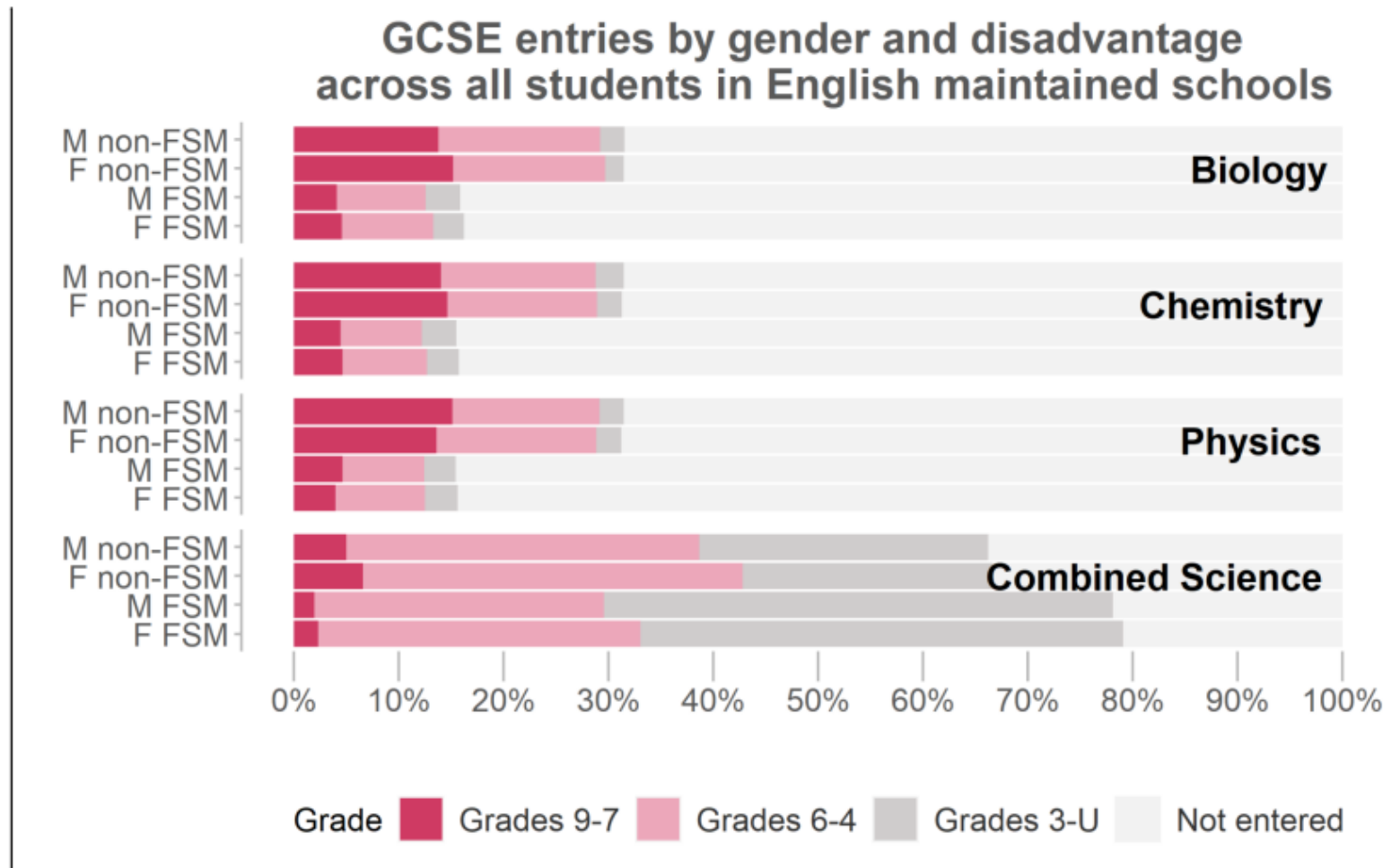


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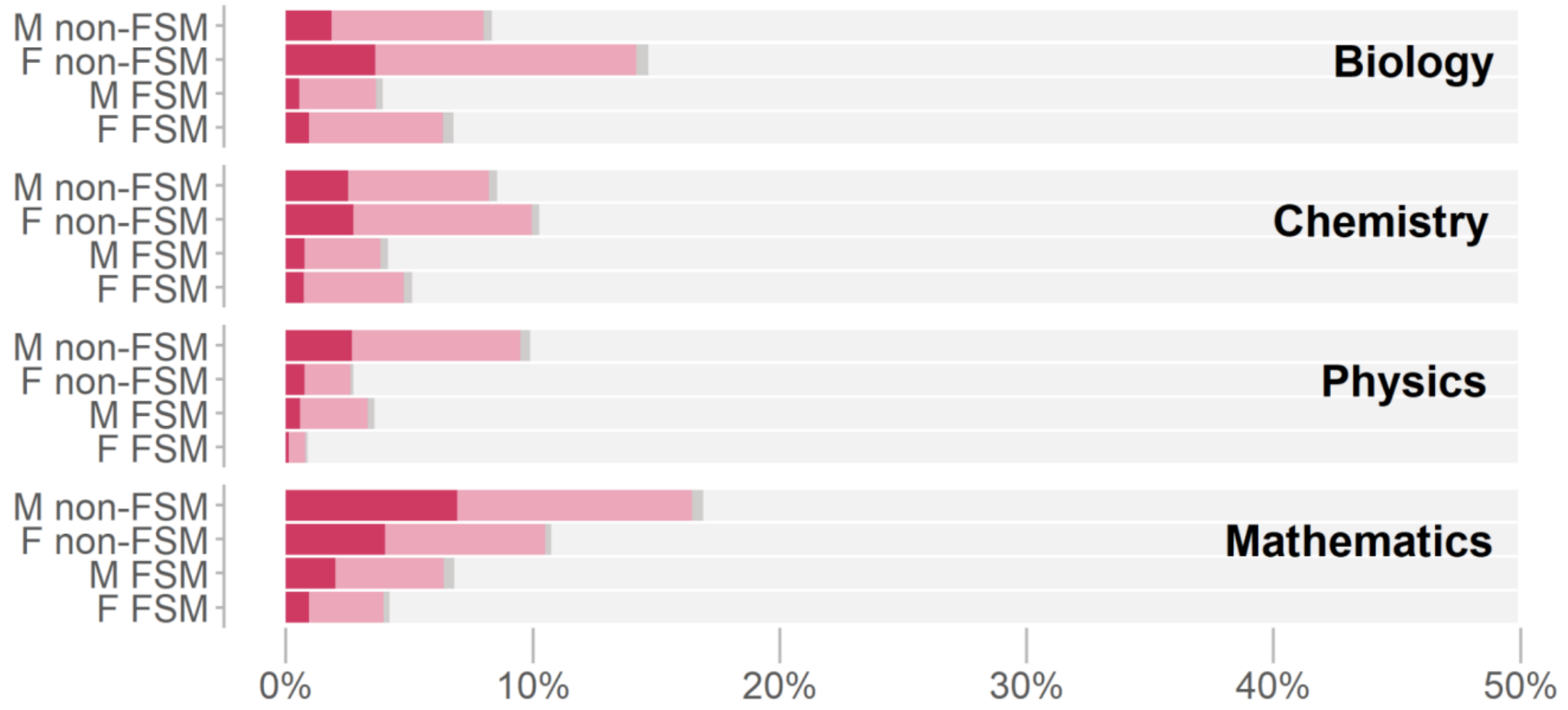
In summary, compared with students from non-disadvantaged backgrounds, students from disadvantaged backgrounds are less likely to:



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A level entries by gender and disadvantage across all students in English maintained schools



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