

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Winner: Geraint Havard

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Dr Geraint Havard is the Composites Manager at R-Tech Materials. This role includes full commercial, operational and technical responsibility for R-Tech’s award-winning UKAS, Nadcap and Fit4Nuclear accredited composite materials testing business. Geraint has been responsible for the transformation of R-Tech’s composites business, in terms of technical capability, quality systems, accreditations, marketing reach and reputation.

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This growth is due in part to Geraint’s real strength in building relationships with clients. In a recent client survey, Geraint was rated with an overall score of 96%. This included one client rating him with 6/5 for attitude to customer service!

Geraint’s role includes management of our research and development programme in composite materials. He has helped us win two Innovate UK awards and supervised a very successful Engineering Doctorate.

Geraint is committed to educating the next generation of Engineers. He has published a well-received e-book on testing of composites, and has developed a highly rated training course on testing of composites, which has so far been attended by more than 100 engineers, with consistently highly rated trainee feedback.



Geraint is the Composites UK representative on the British Standards Institution (BSI) standards committee for composite materials. He also holds a seat on the composite materials committee of the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM), applying his knowledge to ensure the integrity and accuracy of testing standards on composite materials.

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