

Biosciences academic to receive 2013 Colworth Medal

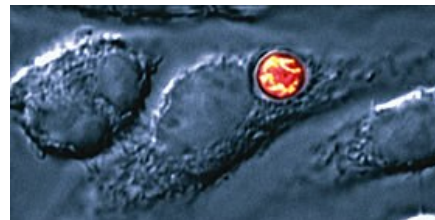
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Dr Robin May ([/staff/profiles/biosciences/may-robin.aspx](http://staff/profiles/biosciences/may-robin.aspx)), Senior Lecturer in Infectious Diseases and Lister Fellow at the School of Biosciences, was unanimously chosen by members of the Biochemical Society Awards Committee to be the 2013 recipient of the Colworth Medal.



The Colworth Medal is a prestigious annual award for outstanding research by a young biochemist of any nationality who has carried out the majority of their work in the UK. Donated in 1963 by Unilever Research Colworth Laboratory, the award is made to a scientist under the age of 35 by 1 January of the year prior to presentation. The recipient is expected to give a lecture at a conference of the Society and one at Unilever Research Laboratories. The lecture is published in *Biochemical Society Transactions*. The Biochemical Society, the UK's largest discipline based learned society in the biosciences.

Professor Steve Busby, Chairman of the Awards Committee said, "The Colworth Medal has been awarded to Robin May for his innovative research that has advanced our understanding, at the level of individual molecules, of how infectious agents interact with their hosts."



Dr May's research centres on human infectious diseases, with a particular focus on the molecular basis of host-pathogen interactions.

Visit the May lab pages here (<http://www.biosciences-labs.bham.ac.uk/may/Home.html>)

White blood cell, infected with the fungus *Cryptococcus*, which can cause a lethal infection in humans and other animals