

Past Events 2014/15

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August 2014

Thur 14 August **Advanced Materials Seminar**

14:00 - Prof. Vinny Manoharan, Harvard University (Ha203) "*Unconventional crystals*"
Host: Dr D. Chakrabarti

September 2014

Tue 16 September **MSC/BSN Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Javier Montenegro, Santiago de Compostela (Ha203) "*Supramolecular Chemistry for Transport Pattern-based sensors and 1D controlled assembly*"
Host: Dr F. Fernandez-Trillo

October 2014

Tue 14 October **MSC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr AnnMarie O'Donoghue, Durham University (Ha 101) "*Triazolium Salts as Organic Catalysts: Unusual Ortho-Substituent Effects*"
Host: Prof. N. Simpkins

Tue 21 October **PTC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr David Fermin, Bristol University (McE G33) "*Dynamic photoelectrochemical responses of conventional and unconventional metal oxides*"
Host: Dr P. Rodriguez

Tue 28 October **SSC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Ivana Evans, Durham University (McE G33) "*Functional materials: Twists and Hops in the Solid State*"
Host: Prof. P. Slater

November 2014

Tue 18 November **School Seminar**

14.00 - Birmingham Postdoctoral Researchers (McE G33)
Josh Bray (Britton Group) "*MRI for chemistry and transport: drug delivery, carbon sequestration, and electrochemical cells*"
Ilker Demiroglu (Johnston Group) "*Effect of Polymorphism and Dimensionality on the properties of ZnO*"
Tzu-Yu (Evin) Chen (Hriljac Group) "*Novel Ion Exchange Materials for Nuclear Waste Treatment*"
Ben de Laune (Greaves Group) "*Schafarzikite: past, present and future*"
Host: Prof. G Worth

Tue 18 November **BSN Research Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. J. A. Gareth Williams, Durham University (McE G33) "*Designing brightly luminescent metal complexes: from organic LEDs to the inside of the living cell*"
Host: Prof. Z. Pikramenou and Dr E. Baranoff

Tue 25 November **PTC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Rob Evans, Aston University (Ha 101) "*Diffusion NMR studies of polymers, nanoparticles and other materials*"
Host: Dr M. Britton

December 2014

Tue 2 December **School Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. John Irvine, St Andrews University (McE G33) "*Chemistry at the Edge: Perovskite Exsolutions*"
Host: Prof. P. Slater

January 2015

Tue 13 January **School Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. Emma Raven, Leicester University (McE G34) "*The role of heme iron in biology*"
Host: Prof. M. Hannon and Dr A. Peacock

Wed 14 January **PTC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. Bill Poirier, Texas Technology University (Arts LR5) "[Quantum Mechanics Without Wavefunctions \(http://www.huffingtonpost.com/bill-poirier/quantum-weirdness-and-many-interacting-worlds_b_6143042.html?utm_hp_ref=science\)](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/bill-poirier/quantum-weirdness-and-many-interacting-worlds_b_6143042.html?utm_hp_ref=science)"
Host: Prof. G. Worth

Tue 27 January **MSC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Carmen Galen, Bristol University (Ha 101) "*Novel Synthetic Tools for Glycoscience*"
Host: Dr J. Fossey

February 2015

Tue 10 February **SSC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Allan Walton, Metallurgy and Materials, Birmingham University (Ha 101)
Host: Dr P. Anderson

Tue 17 February **RSC Prize and School Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. David A. Leigh, University of Manchester (Ha 101) "*Making the Tiniest Machines*"
Host: Dr A. Peacock and Dr E. Baranoff

Tue 24 February **BSN Research Seminar**
14.00 - Dr Charlotte Willans, Leeds University (McE G33)
Host: Dr A. Peacock

March 2015

Tue 3 March **MSC Research Seminar**
14.00 - Dr Edward Tate, Imperial College, London (Ha 101)
Host: Dr L. Cox

Tue 10 March **PTC Research Seminar**
14.00 - Prof. Yaroslav Khimyak, University of East Anglia (McE G34)
Host: Dr M. Britton

Tue 17 March **SSC Research Seminar**
14.00 - Dr Emma McCabe, Kent University (McE G34)
Host: Prof. C. Greaves

Tue 17 March **The Big Speaker Seminar**
15.00 - Prof Andrea Sella, University College London (McE G29) "*Strange Ice*"
Host: Dr M. Britton

May 2015

Tue 24 May **MSC Research Seminar**
14.00 - Dr Stephen Thomas, Edinburgh University (Ha 203)
Host: Dr P. Davies

Events January 2013 - July 2014.

January 2013

Thurs 17 January **ChemSoc Talk**
13:00 - Dr Audrey Matthews, De Montfort University (Ha101) "*The Science of Chocolate*"

Tue 22 January **PSIBS Seminar**
12:00 - Dr Joanna Collingwood, Warwick University (LC UG07) "*Chasing Metals in the Degenerating Brain: Recent observations with Synchrotrons, SQUIDS and MRI*"

Tue 22 January **Research Seminar**
14:00 - Dr Tom Sheppard, UCL (LC-UG07) "*Water Driven Synthesis: Formation and Activation of Carbon-Oxygen Bonds*"

Tue 29 January **PSIBS Seminar**
12:00 - Dr Stephen Matcher, University of Sheffield (LC UG07)
Host: Prof M. Hannon

Thur 31 January **PhD/PDRA Seminar**
16:00 - Dr Jean-Louis Duprey, University of Birmingham (Ha203) "*Metal Mediated Base Pairs for DNA Secondary Structure*"

February 2013

Mon 11 February **Research Seminar**
14:00 - Dr Chris-Kriton Skylaris, University of Southampton (McE G31) "*Density Functional Theory Calculations with Thousands of Atoms*"
Host: Prof R. Johnston

Tue 19 February **School Seminar - RSC Gibson-Fawcett Award**
14:00 - Dr Andrew Fogg, University of Liverpool (McE G36) "*Application of In Situ Diffraction Studies in Materials Discovery*"
Host: Dr P. Slater

Mon 25 February **School Seminar**
12:00 **Prof Alice Roberts**, University of Birmingham (Ha101) "*Reflections on Public Engagement with Science*"
Host: Dr J. Tucker

Tue 26 February **Research Seminar**
12:00 Dr Brian O'Regan, Imperial College, London (AWEB-Senate Chamber) "*Measurement of Electron Transfer Into, Out of, and Through TiO₂ Nanostructured Films, Relevance to Dye Sensitized Solar Cells and Related Technologies*"
Host: Dr E. Baranoff

March 2013

Mon 4 March **PhD/PDRA Seminar** (Ha203)
17:00 - Mr Rory Steven, "*Matrix Assisted Laser Desorption Ionisation Mass Spectrometry of Biological Samples*"
and Mr Antoine Vallatos, "*Manipulating Spins, an Introduction to Magnetic Resonance techniques*"

Tue 5 March **Research Seminar**
14:00 - Dr Andre Cobb, University of Reading (Bio E102) "*The Synthesis of Unnatural Biomolecules*"
Host: Dr. P. Davies

Wed 6 March **EPS College Seminar**
17:00 - Dr Yan Wong, University of Leeds (Ha 101) "*Telling Science Fact from Fiction: Genetically Engineering the Physical World*"
Host: Ms Carlotta Figliola

Tue 12 March **Research Seminar**
14:00 - Dr David Carbery, University of Bath (Bio E102) "*The Application of Organocatalysis to Redox and Asymmetric Contexts*"
Host: Dr P. Davies

Tue 19 March **Research Seminar**
14:00 - Dr Craig Butts, University of Bristol (AWEB-WG12) "*NMR Without Shifts or Coupling Constants - Chemical Structures at the Push of a Button*"
Host: Dr M. Britton

April 2013

Mon 15 April PhD/PDRA **Seminar** (Ha203)
16:00 - Ms Rian Griffiths, "MALDI-MS Analysis of Lipids"
and Dr Aimee Gamie "DNA Binding Ferrocene GCN4 Dimers for Electrochemical Sensing"

May 2013

Tue 7 May **Research Seminar**
14:00 - Prof. David Smith, University of York (McE-G29) "SAM-Dendrimers - A Self-Assembled Multivalent Approach to Nanomedicine"
Host: Dr J. Fossey

Tue 7 May **Inaugural Lecture**
17.15 - Prof. Peter Slater, School of Chemistry, University of Birmingham (McE-G33) "Perfecting Imperfection: The Role of Defects in Functional Energy Materials"

Tue 21 May **School Seminar - RSC Chemistry of Transition Metals Award**
14:00 - Prof. Chris Chang, UC Berkley (Ha101) "Molecular Imaging Approaches to Mapping and Studying Inorganic Chemistry in the Brain"
Host: Prof M. Hannon

Tue 29 May **Research Seminar**
10:30 - Prof. Bruno Therrien, University of Neuchatel (Ha203) "Water Soluble Organometallic Cages for Drug Delivery"
Host: Dr E. Baranoff

June 2013

Tue 4 June **Research Seminar**
14.00 - Dr Nick Fletcher, Queens University Belfast (McE-B07) "Structural Considerations in Designing Molecular Probes"
Host: Dr Z. Pikramenou

27-28 June **Postgraduate Symposium**
lectures (Ha101)
posters (Haworth Reading Room)

July 2013

Tue 2 July **Research Seminar**
14.00 - Prof. Andy Wilson, University of Leeds (Ha203) "Adventures in Non-Covalent Chemistry: From Self-Assembly to Protein Surface Recognition"
Host: Prof. J. Tucker

Fri 26 July **Research Seminar**
14.00 - Prof. Sandeep Ghosal, Northwestern University, (Ha209a) "Through the eye of a needle: how polymers go through nanopores"
Host: Dr Dwaipayan Chakrabarti

September 2013

Wed 18 September **MSC Research Seminar**
14.00 - Dr Dattatraya H. Dethe, IIT Kanpur, India (Ha 203) "New tools and strategies for synthesis of indane natural products"
14.30 - Dr S. Arulananda Babu, IISER Mohali, India (Ha 203) "Construction of carbocyclic rings having contiguous stereocentres"
Host: Dr R. Grainger

Tue 24 September **Industry Seminar**
14.15 - Dr Foti Panagakos, Colgate-Palmolive Co. (Ha 203) "Oral Care Research in an Industry Setting: From Concept to Product"
Host: Prof Z. Pikramenou

October 2013

Tue 1 October **School Seminar**
14:00 - Prof. Simon Parsons, University of Edinburgh (Law LT3) "Molecular Solids at Extreme Conditions"
Host: Dr J. Hriljac

Tue 8 October **BSN Research Seminar**
14:00 - Dr Anne Duhme-Klair, University of York (McE G36) "Siderophores, metallodrugs and metal-based luminescent sensors"
Host: Dr A. Peacock

Wed 9 October **Athena-Swan Seminar**
13:00 - Prof. Dame Athene Donald, University of Cambridge (Bio 301) "Facilitating Women's Progression to the Top"
Host: Dr J. Coates and Dr U. Martin

Thur 10 October **MSC Research Seminar**
14:00 - Prof. Mike Organ, University of Toronto (ChE G35) "Catalysts: Making them do what you want them to do and how you do that"
Host: Dr P. Davies

Tue 15 October **MSC Research Seminar**
14:00 Dr Stephen Fletcher, University of Oxford (Law LT3) "Mostly asymmetric additions with alkyl zirconium reagents"
Host: Dr J. Fossey

Tue 29 October **PTC Research Seminar**
14:00 Dr Andrew Ellis, University of Leicester (McE G28) "Helium nanodroplets: an exotic medium for exotic chemistry"
Host: Prof. R. Tuckett

November 2013

Tue 5 November **School Seminar**
14:00 - Prof. Mathias Brust, University of Liverpool (Bio 301) "Questions and tentative answers regarding the penetration of biomembranes by nanoparticles"
Host: Prof. Z. Pikramenou

Fri 8 November **Medicinal Seminar**
14:00 - Prof. John Chaput, Arizona State University (Haw 203) "On the origins of biomolecular function"

Host: Dr Y. Mehellou

Tue 19 November SSC Research Seminar

14:00 - Dr Magdalena Titirici, Queen Mary (London) (McE G26) "*Biomass-derived Waterborne Carbons for Renewable Energy Applications and Sustainable Catalysis*"
Host: Dr. Z. Schnepp

Tue 26 November MSC Research Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Mike Greaney, University of Manchester (McE G33) "*New C-H activation chemistry for heterocycle synthesis*"
Host: Dr R. Grainger

December 2013

Tue 10 December BSN Research Seminar

14:00 - Dr Phil Holliger, University of Cambridge (Bio E102) "*Synthetic Genetics*"
Host: Prof. J. Tucker

Mon 16 December **[Postgraduate Symposium on Nanotechnology \(/Documents/college-eps/chemistry/seminars/Nano-symp-flyer.pdf\)](#)**

10:00 - Lectures (Haworth Building)
Host: Dr Zoe Schnepp

January 2014

Tue 14 January School Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Kevin Booker-Milburn, University of Bristol (McE G33) "*The Development of Photochemical Techniques for Complex Molecule Synthesis*"
Host: Dr J. Fossey

Tue 21 January PTC Research Seminar

14:00 - Dr Mike Ries, University of Leeds (Haw 203) "*Transforming Cellulose Processing*"
Host: Dr M. Britton

Tue 28 January SSC Research Seminar - CANCELLED

14:00 - Dr Ivana Evans, University of Durham (Haw 203)
Host: Prof P. Slater

February 2014

Tue 4 February School Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Marc Koper, University of Leiden (McE G33) "*Electrocatalysis, from single crystals to single nanoparticles*"
Host: Dr S. Horswell

18 February MSC Research Seminar

14:00 Dr Andrew Smith University of St Andrews (Haw 203)
Host Dr R. Grainger

25 February BSN Research Seminar

14:00 Prof. Mike George, University of Nottingham (McE G33)
Host Prof. Z. Pikramenou

March 2014

Tue 4 March School Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Clare Grey, University of Cambridge (McE G33) "*Following function in real time: new NMR, MRI and diffraction methods to study function in lithium ion batteries and supercapacitors*"
Organiser: Prof. P. Slater

Tue 11 March School Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Pratiba Gai, University of York (Haw 101) "*Seeing the Invisible: Watching the Secret Life of Atoms at Work in Chemical Reactions*"
Host: Prof. R. Johnston

Tue 18 March SSC Research Seminar

14:00 - Dr Asel Sartbaeva, University of Bath (Bio 301) "*Flexible frameworks: novel geometries in zeolites and encapsulated nanomaterials*"
Host: Dr J. Hriljac

Tue 25 March Education Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Matthew Almond, University of Reading (Bio 301) "*Integrating Skills Training into the Chemistry Curriculum*"
Host: Dr N. Rowley

April 2014

Tue 14 April RSC Bioinorganic Award BSN Seminar

14:00 - Prof. O'Halloran, Northwestern University (Haw 101) "*Inorganic Chemistry of Cellular Decision Making Processes: Structure and Dynamics of Transition Metal Receptors*"
Host: Prof. M. Hannon

Tue 29 April MSC Research Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Matthew Gaunt, University of Cambridge
Organiser: Dr P. Davies

May 2014

Tue 6 May School Seminar

14:00 - Prof. Martin Schroeder, University of Nottingham (Bio 102) "*Gas Storage and Selectivity in Metal Organic Framework Materials*"
Host: Prof. P. Hannon

Tue 13 May SSC Research Seminar

14:00 - Dr Andrew Goodwin, University of Oxford (Haw 203) "*Order, Disorder, Flexibility, Function*"
Host: Dr J. Hriljac

Wed 14 May **Advanced Materials Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Andrew Cooper, University of Liverpool (Haw 203) "*Functional Organic Solids - Design or Discovery?*"

Host: Dr D Chakrabarti

Thur 15 May **MSC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. Joseph Sweeney, University of Huddersfield (LC UG07) "*Molecules and Messages: Balancing Research and Policy?*"

Host: Dr J. Fossey

Mon 19 May **Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Brian Pauw, NIMS, Japan (Haw 203) "*All you ever wanted to know about SAXS: What, why, how and when.*"

Host: Dr Z. Schnepf

Tue 20 May **RSC Organometallic Award MSC Seminar**

14.00 - Prof. John A. Gladysz, Texas A&M University (McE G33) "*Werner Complexes: A New Class of Chiral Hydrogen Bond Donor Catalysts for Enantioselective Organic Reactions*"

Host: Dr L. Cox

Tue 27 May **PTC Research Seminar**

14.00 - Dr Adam Kirrander, University of Edinburgh (Haw 203) "*Imaging Quantum Dynamics - new tools for photochemistry*"

Host: Dr G. Worth

June 2014

Tue 3 June **School Seminar** 14.00 - Prof. Veronique Gouverneur, University of Oxford (Bio E102) "*Fluorine (Radio)chemistry: From Basic to Clinic*" Host: Dr L. Cox

Tue 10 June **BSN Research Seminar** 14.00 - Prof. Christin Cardin, University of Reading (McE G33) "*Exciting results with DNA-ruthenium complexes*" Host: Prof. J. Tucker

Mon 30 June **School Seminar** 14.00 - Prof. Eileen Ingham, University of Leeds (ChE 124) "*Research, translation and commercialisation of acellular biological scaffolds*"

Host: Prof. Z. Pikramenou and Prof. Jon Preece

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