Election Fever

Tim Farron (national leader of the Liberal Democrats), made a whistlestop visit to the School on Monday, with Willie Rennie (local MSP) and Margaret Riches (local parliamentary candidate), as part of their election campaign. They visited some labs and met some students in the Common Room.

School of Chemistry Colloquia

Synthesis Seminar
Tuesday 16th, 1.00 pm, Lecture Theatre B
Rodrigo Araujo Gouy (GJF) – Nitrofuran probes in targeting Chagas disease
Susana Estopina (JET) – Catalytic activation of alcohols using boronic acids

EaStCHEM Colloquia
Wednesday 17th, 3.30 pm, Lecture Theatre C
Prof Euan Brechin (Edinburgh) – Cages of Paramagnetic Transition Metal Ions

Friday 19th, 3.30 pm, Lecture Theatre B
Please note change of usual venue
Prof Makoto Fujita (Tokyo) – Coordination Self-Assembly: From the Origins to the Latest Advances

Conferences

20th European Symposium on Organic Chemistry
To be held at the University of Cologne from 2nd-6th July and covering all aspects of organic chemistry. For more information see the conference website: www.esoc.uni-koeln.de

26th International Society of Heterocyclic Chemistry Congress
To be held at the University of Regensburg from 3rd-8th September and covering all aspects of heterocyclic chemistry. Earlybird registration is open until 31st May and short talks and posters are still being accepted. For full information see: http://www.ishc-web.org/

EaStCHEM Conference for Early Career Researchers (ECECR 2017)
This will be held here at the University of St Andrews (School of Physics and Astronomy, North Haugh) on Thursday 7th September 2017. The scientific programme will aim to showcase a wide range of research from postdoctoral and early-career chemists from the Universities of St Andrews and Edinburgh, and aims to foster multidisciplinary collaborations between the institutions. The conference is free to attend and will consist of talks, posters, exhibitions, and two keynote lectures from early-career scientists, who will share their complementary paths to success in academia and industry. Registration is now open at:
http://chemistry.st-andrews.ac.uk/ececr2017/registration.html

On the online registration form, please indicate if you wish to apply for an ‘oral presentation’, a ‘poster presentation’, or to attend as a ‘delegate only’. The deadline for abstract submission for oral and poster presentations is 31st July 2017.

For postdoctoral and early career researchers wishing to present their work, please use the abstract template provided on the website, and, in line with the collaborative and career-driven focus of the event, posters/talks should include a brief outline of the presenter’s career/expertise as well as current research interests. For all other delegates (academics, postdocs, PhDs, industrial partners) please register to attend the event by 14th August 2017. Registration is free and includes: plenary/session lectures, poster sessions, tea/coffee, lunch and an evening wine reception. We sincerely hope you will join us for what promises to be an exciting career-focused day of science.
New Faces

Joshua Clark comes from West Sussex and completed an MSci at the University of Bristol last year. He has now started CRITICAT PhD work with DOH and is interested in music, film, art and reading.

Bryony Hockin comes from East Sussex and completed an MChem at the University of Durham last year. She has now started CRITICAT PhD work with EZC and is interested in traditional and digital photography.