

**THE INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY OF IRELAND  
ANNUAL AWARDS FOR CHEMISTRY  
(Eva Philbin Public Lecture Series)**

The Institute of Chemistry of Ireland Annual Award for Chemistry was inaugurated in 2005. Since 2007, the lectures are termed the Eva Philbin Public Lecture Series. The late Professor Eva Philbin was formerly head of the Chemistry Department in University College Dublin and also a former President of the Institute of Chemistry of Ireland.

The award is for a practising chemist, who has made a significant contribution to the advancement of chemistry and has considerably raised the profile of chemistry through both the excellence of their work and their ability to communicate in an effective and lucid manner.

The nominee may be employed in academia, industry or the state sector. The recipient who may be an Irish or international chemist of repute will present lectures on their field of work, in Dublin and in two other locations in Ireland, within twelve months of receiving the award. These lectures will be open to the general public as the purpose of the award is to promote the benefits of chemistry to the widest audience.

**2005**

Professor David A. Leigh – Edinburgh University  
*Tooling Up for Nanoworld: The 'Magic' of Molecular Machines*

**2006**

Professor A. Prasanna de Silva – Queen's University Belfast  
*Messages from Molecules: Sensing and Computing*

**2007**

Doctor Mary Archer – Baroness Archer of Weston-super-Mare  
*Chemistry and the Good Life*

**2008**

Professor Peter Atkins – Lincoln College, University of Oxford  
*Visualizing Chemistry*

**2009**

Professor Martyn Poliakoff – University of Nottingham  
*Lecture not given until 2010*  
*Green Chemistry and Supercritical Fluids*

**2011**

Doctor Malachy McCann – National University of Ireland Maynooth  
*Syphilis, MRSA, and Cancer – Cures with Metal Ions*

**2012**

Professor Lesley Yellowlees – Edinburgh University  
*Powering Ahead with Solar Energy /*  
*Challenge Chemistry: Celebrating its Pivotal Role – Past, Present and Future*

**2013**

Professor Herbert W. Roeskey – University of Göttingen  
*The Universe – A Guide to New Chemistry*

**2014**

Professor Thorfinnur Gunnlaugsson – Trinity College Dublin  
*Self-assembly supramolecular structures and material made from novel acyclic ligands*

**2015**

Professor Michael J. Zaworotko – University of Limerick  
*Crystal engineering of task-specific materials – Addressing pharmaceutical materials*

**2016**

Professor John Sodeau – University College Cork  
*Every Breath You Take*