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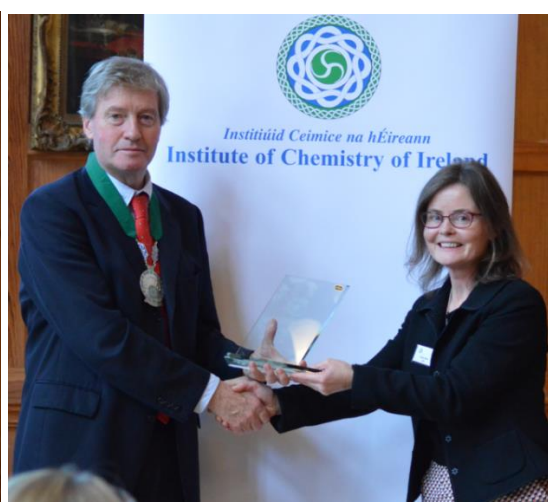
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ICI Awards 2023

Prof Pat Guiry presents Awards at ICI Annual Congress, Belfast



Prof Guiry presents Prof Derek Boyd with Hon. Fellow Certificate of ICI.



Prof Susan Quinn presented with Eva Philbin Award Plaque for 2023

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A Message from the President

Dear Fellows, Members, Graduates and Associates,

In this issue, you will find a summary (with some great photographs of speakers, chairs and participants) of an excellent ICI Congress with the theme “Achieving Sustainability Through Chemistry” which was held in Queen’s University Belfast on 24th October. It was my pleasure to present the Eva Philbin Public Lecture Award to Associate Professor Susan Quinn of UCD and the ICI Honorary Fellowship to Professor Derek Boyd (QUB). In addition to Susan’s plenary lecture, we had short talks from Professor Peter Nockemann (QUB), Professor Kevin Ryan (UL), Professor Fiona Regan (DCU), Associate Professor Marcus Baumann (UCD), and Professor Pilar Fernandez-Ibanez. A lively set of elevator pitches and a poster session completed the programme. It was a great day to celebrate chemistry on the island of Ireland and I thank Professor Steven Bell (ICI Vice-President) for organising the event. The feedback throughout the Congress, attended by many young (and older) chemists, was very positive.

Work continues with the plans for ECC9, and we now have a full programme of plenary and invited lecturers in place. The International Scientific Committee, chaired by Professor David Leigh from the University of Manchester, with ICI representation from Professors Celine Marmion and Thorri Gunnlaugsson and myself, are very happy with the quality and breadth of the speakers. In addition to the eight themes, there will be a series of mini-symposia and workshops throughout the event. In October, we hosted a delegation of the EuChemS Executive Committee in Dublin, visiting the Convention Centre, having an update meeting in the RIA and lunch in the RCSI. They were very pleased with our updates and particularly pleased with the quality of the facilities in the Convention Centre. Registration for ECC9 is now open and abstracts for posters are still being accepted, with the deadline for those interested in presenting a short oral contribution closing on Friday. Our Local Organising Committee, co-chaired by Professor Thorri Gunnlaugsson and Professor Celine Marmion, are working hard to organise a one-day focus on the pharmaceutical industry in Ireland. Please do support this event by registering and asking colleagues and their research groups to do so too.

Many thanks to the ICI Young Chemists’ Network (YCN) who continue to work hard to provide support to the younger members of our community. Seán Byrne (UCD) is the ICI YCN chair and do get in contact with him if there are issues you wish to highlight or events you wish to organise.

I wish to again thank our Editor, Patrick Hobbs, who continues to enlighten our community on national and international topics that are of most interest to our community. This is a significant undertaking and is much appreciated. This issue covers a broad range of topics from the ICI Congress to

sustainability, the relevance of quantum dots the subject of the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2023, superconductivity, climate change and the importance of CRISPR technology and beyond! I do hope you enjoy reading it.

My thanks also to all Council members who voluntarily give of their time and expertise to support our Institute and community. A special thanks to you, our ICI Fellows, members, graduates and associates. Please do keep in touch and send us your updates. We would be delighted to showcase these on our ICI website and in future ICN issues.

Can I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very happy and peaceful Christmas and good health and happiness for 2024!

With best regards,

Professor Pat Guiry PhD FRSC FICI PRIA

President, Institute of Chemistry of Ireland

6th December 2023



Editorial

It's that time of year again and this is the last Issue of Irish Chemical News for 2023. There is a name change to one of the titled sections and two new titled sections have been introduced. Firstly, not many references to analytical chemistry papers have been included in past Issues as there were few open access articles readily available. That situation has changed somewhat so it is now appropriate to cover analytical chemistry. It is intended that it should be a bit edgy, to focus on novelty and innovation across all applications of analytical chemistry. Analytical chemistry plays an important role in chemistry, and this is reflected in most of the topics covered in ICN.

Second Biotech, a very important sector now in Ireland was included within the "Medicinal Chemistry, Chemical Biology & Life Sciences" section. It merits its own titled section. It is titled "Biotechnology with a Chemistry Emphasis".

The third change is to the section titled "Science & Truth – (Incl. Peritia Project)" has now been relabelled "Science, Truth, Trust & Science Communication" to reflect better the contents included in this section. The Peritia project has ended and is no longer included.

Planning for next year's EuChemS is at an advanced stage, with most of the scientific topics selected. The Local Organising Committee can now focus on local events and topics including a special Pharmaceutical Industry Day, to highlight the achievements of that industry in Ireland. ECC-9 is covered extensively in this Issue.

We were offered the opportunity and facilitated and by Premier Publishing and Events to attend the Chemistry Expo in Leopardstown Pavilion on November 8th. Prof Pat Guiry promoted the Institute and the ECC-9 Chemistry Congress, next year. Dr Joe Byrne presented the case for joining ICI YCN for chemists 35 years and younger. Later that morning our 2019 Boyle Higgins Gold Medal winner Prof Suresh Pillai, ATU gave a lecture on Innovation which was very enlightening.

On Friday 17th November as Editor, I attended the RSC Local Section AGM and North South Lecture in TCD and gave a short presentation on ECC-9. Bursaries are available from the RSC, EuChemS and ICI to attend ECC-9. Details are uploaded on the congress web site:

[ECC-9 Bursary Programme – EuChemS 2024](https://www.chemistryireland.org/9th-euchems-congress)

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Our Annual Congress was held in QUB, Belfast in the magnificent Great Hall and we had six great lectures and presentations from young chemists along with a poster session. The event was organised by ICI Vice President Prof Steven Bell, QUB and we are very thankful to him for his efforts. This was a great success.

The Annual Lecture Award (Eva Philbin) was presented to Prof Susan Quinn, UCD and an Honorary Fellowship was presented to Prof Derek Boyd, QUB. Both were presented by ICI President Pat Gury. He also presented the winning three students who gave the ECRs Elevator pitches and three poster winners with certificates. More details within this Issue.

The usual main topics are well covered, and it is very evident that enormous strides and developments are happening across all the topics. Hydrogen is emerging as somewhat controversial with concerns about costings and efficiency in transportation. Some major car manufactures, and transport companies have abandoned hydrogen vehicles and moved to EV power instead. How to transport it to where it is needed and producing sufficient quantities at speed and in time is also a problem.

More locally there is a new CEO at SFI, Prof Philip Nolan. The Irish Research Council and SFI will be merged into a new organisation in January 2024, and it is called Taighde Éireann. The IDA also has a new CEO Michael Lohan and a rebranding. Enterprise Ireland celebrated 25 years in April, and it too has undergone a rebranding. These changes are presented inside this Issue.

‘Climate Change is well covered, and concerns are growing about the slow progress as carbon dioxide continue to rise despite sincere efforts to move more towards wind and solar energy. Methane leaks and hydrogen itself can be a contributor to climate change if there are leaks in the supply chain from production to end use. Well production leaks and flaring of gas is one area that must be addressed and eliminated in the short term if we are to stay under 1.5 degrees centigrade by 2030.

The upcoming United Nations Climate Change Conference – COP 28 will be held in the UAE along with The World Climate Action Summit (WCAS). President of the UAE has invited Heads of State or Government to participate in the Summit (WCAS), which will be held on Friday, 1 and Saturday, 2 December 2023, when the first part of the high-level segment for Heads of State or Government will also take place. Already there are concerns about UAE having such a prominent role where climate change is so important issue. This will be covered in the next Issue of ICN in 2024.

Covered in this Issue, the controversy and claims about LK-99 room temperature superconductivity has finally been settled. The paper has been withdrawn and the claim was not proven. This claim was initially published without any peer review and enthusiastically and with great excitement, taken up by some of the technical press mainly aimed at lay people and not professional researchers. The professionals and the scientific press then started paying attention and doubts were raised. Eventually after a lot of argument, reviews and attempts to failure reproduce the claims by others, the claim was refuted. This demonstrated that proper peer review is essential in any scientific endeavour.

Chemistry Nobel Prize 2023 and some articles explaining what quantum dots and their applications is covered

Note 1. Premier Publishing & Events will host conferences early in 2024 and the Institute will be present. It free to attend so register on their web site. These are big events with thousands attending.

Note 2. To get this Issue out very early in December items received in the last week of November will be included in the next issue of ICN.

With that I wish all ICI members and readers a very happy and joyful Christmas. I hope you enjoy reading ICN, browsing through and selecting articles from the main sections that take your interest. There are articles to explore and discover for everyone.

Comments, Feedback and Responses are welcome and can be sent to the **Editor Email address:** -

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5th December 2023

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[The Institute of Chemistry of Ireland \(ICI\)](#) is delighted and honoured to be organising the 9th EuChemS Chemistry Congress (ECC-9). The 9th EuChemS Congress is scheduled to take place in Dublin, Ireland from 7th to 11th of July 2024. The Congress will provide an ideal platform for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and will be showcasing the latest advancements in the field of chemistry across various disciplines.

THE CALL FOR ABSTRACTS IS NOW OPEN!

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Detailed instructions for submitting your abstract are available [here](#). We encourage you to read this document before commencing the submission process. Please note that many questions are marked with an asterisk * and must be answered in order to complete your submission.

The deadline for abstract submissions is **Friday 8th December 2023**. You may amend your abstract at any point up to this deadline - however, after this date, revisions will not be possible.

We look forward to receiving your submission.

With best wishes,

Professor David A. Leigh

Chair of the International Scientific Committee,

9th EuChemS Chemistry Congress

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Three Nobel Laurates will come to Dublin for the 9th EuChemS Chemistry Congress

**Prof Sir James Stoddart, Northwestern University, USA
Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2016**



Prize motivation: “for the design and synthesis of molecular machines”

Prize Share 1/3

A tiny lift, artificial muscles and minuscule motors. The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2016 is awarded to Jean-Pierre Sauvage, Sir J. Fraser Stoddart and Bernard L. Feringa for their design and production of molecular machines. They have developed molecules with controllable movements, which can perform a task when energy is added. 2016's Nobel Laureates in Chemistry have taken molecular systems out of equilibrium's stalemate and into energy-filled states in which their movements can be controlled.

More Details:

[Sir J. Fraser Stoddart – Facts - NobelPrize.org](https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/chemistry/2016/stoddart)

[Press release: The 2016 Nobel Prize in Chemistry](https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/chemistry/2016/press-release)



Prof Frances Arnold California Institute of Technology (Caltech), Pasadena, CA, USA



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Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2018

Prize motivation: “for the directed evolution of enzymes”

Prize share: 1/3

Frances H. Arnold, the Linus Pauling Professor of Chemical Engineering, Bioengineering and Biochemistry, has won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for "the directed evolution of enzymes," according to the award citation. Directed evolution, pioneered by Arnold in the early 1990s, is a bioengineering method for creating new and better enzymes in the laboratory using the principles of evolution. Arnold shares the prize with George P. Smith of the University of Missouri in Columbia, who developed a "phage display" method for evolving proteins, and Sir Gregory P. Winter of the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge, United Kingdom, who used phage display for evolving antibodies. One half of the prize, which comes with an award of 9 million Swedish krona (about \$1 million), goes to Arnold, with the other half shared by Smith and Winter.

More details:

[Frances H. Arnold – Facts – 2018 \(nobelprize.org\)](https://www.nobelprize.org/frances-h-arnold-facts-2018)

[Frances Arnold Wins 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry | www.caltech.edu](https://www.caltech.edu/frances-arnold-wins-2018-nobel-prize-in-chemistry)



**Prof. Dr. Sir David W.C. MacMillan, Princeton University,
Princeton, NJ, USA**



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Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2021

Prize motivation: “for the development of asymmetric organocatalysis”

Prize share: 1/2

Sir David W.C. MacMillan shares the 2021 Nobel Prize in Chemistry with Benjamin List for the development of asymmetric organocatalysis. The concept of catalysts – molecules that facilitate chemical reactions – derives from research conducted in the 19th century and rapidly caught on in industrial processes. “David MacMillan is a brilliant chemist whose transformative insights and accomplishments have enhanced the power of organic chemistry to benefit human health and address other practical problems,” said University President Christopher L. Eisgruber.

More Details:

[David W.C. MacMillan – Facts – 2021 - NobelPrize.org](https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/chemistry/2021/macmillan-facts)

[Princeton’s David MacMillan receives Nobel Prize in chemistry](https://www.princeton.edu/news/2021/10/07/princeton-david-macmillan-receives-nobel-prize-chemistry)



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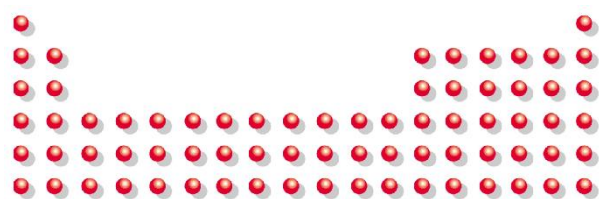
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	<i>Convention Centre Dublin</i>					
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08:30		ECC-9 PLENARY SPEAKER 1	ECC-9 PLENARY SPEAKER 3	ECC-9 PLENARY SPEAKER 5	ECC-9 PLENARY SPEAKER 7	08:30
09:00		MORNING BREAK	MORNING COFFEE	MORNING COFFEE	MORNING COFFEE	09:00
09:30		Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	09:30
10:00		Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	10:00
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12:00		LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	12:00
12:30						12:30
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13:30		Invited Speaker Oral Sessions	Invited Speaker Oral Sessions	Invited Speaker Oral Sessions	Invited Speaker Oral Sessions	13:30
14:00	SATELLITE MEETINGS					14:00
14:15						14:15
14:30		AFTERNOON BREAK	AFTERNOON BREAK	AFTERNOON BREAK	AFTERNOON BREAK	14:30
15:00		Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	Invited Speaker	15:00
15:30		Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	15:30
16:00						16:00
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Plenary	Professor Dame Clare Grey
Convenor 1 (International Scientific Committee Member)	Professor Walter Leitner
Convenor 2	Professor Paul Anastas
Physical, Analytical and Computational Chemistry (including Machine Learning/AI)	
Plenary	Professor Odile Eisenstein
Convenor 1 (International Scientific Committee Member)	Professor Christopher M.A. Brett
Convenor 2	TBC
Advances in Synthetic Organic Chemistry (including Asymmetric Methodology, Inorganic Methodology, Green Synthetic Methodologies)	
Plenary	Professor Véronique Gouverneur
Convenor 1 (International Scientific Committee Member)	Professor Bill Morandi
Convenor 2	Professor Mariola Tortosa
Chemistry Meets Biology For Health (including Medicinal, Bioinorganic, Bioorganometallic, Radiochemistry, Food & Nutrition)	
Plenary	Professor Frances H. Arnold
Convenor 1 (International Scientific Committee Member)	Professor Angela Cassini
Convenor 2	TBC
Catalysis (including Organometallic Catalysis, Organocatalysis, Biocatalysis, Photoredox Catalysis, Electrocatalysis)	
Plenary	Professor Sir David W.C. MacMillan
Convenor 1 (International Scientific Committee Member)	Professor Martin Albrecht
Convenor 2	Professor Montse Dieguez
Supramolecular Chemistry and Stereochemistry (including Chirality, Molecular Machines, Dissipative Systems, MOFs, Molecular Nanotopology, Sensors, Metallo-Supramolecular Chemistry, Molecular Logic, Host-Guest Chemistry, Self-Assembly Materials, Higher Order Structures)	
Plenary	Professor Sir J. Fraser Stoddart
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Convenor 2	Professor Nathalie Katsonis
Nanochemistry/Materials (including Organic, Inorganic, Material Science, Devices, Circuits, Systems, Neuromorphic Networks, Bio-inspired Computing)	
Plenary	Professor Omar M. Yaghi
Convenor 1 (International Scientific Committee Member)	Professor Stefanie Dehnen
Convenor 2	TBC
Education, History, Cultural Heritage, and Ethics in Chemistry	
Plenary	Professor Brigitte Van Tiggelen
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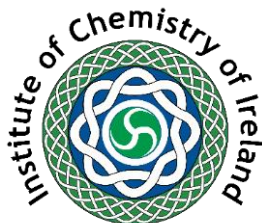
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Nomination process: The nominator shall indicate in writing to the President of the Institute the category which applies to their nominee, and they shall submit by email one electronic copy which will include a brief statement outlining the reasons for the nomination, together with a CV (maximum 3 pages) of the nominee. Nominations will be externally reviewed by at least two independent referees, who are recognized experts in the category and who are not nominators.

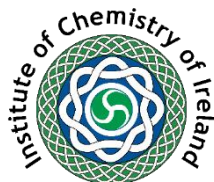
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ICI website: <http://www.chemistryireland.org>

Closing date of Friday December 1st, 2023

Recent Past Recipients

- **2023** Professor Yurii Gunko (Nano materials)
- **2022** Professor Grace Morgan (Pure Chemistry)
- **2021** Professor Tadhg Begley (Pure Chemistry)
- **2020** Professor Amilra P. de Silva (Applied Chemistry)
- **2019** Professor Suresh Pillai (Applied Chemistry)
- **2018** Professor John Kelly (Applied Chemistry)
- **2017** Professor Henry Curran (Applied Chemistry)
- **2016** Professor Kieran Hodnett (Applied Chemistry)
- **2015** Professor Dermot Diamond (Applied Chemistry)
- **2014** Professor Pat Guiry (Pure Chemistry)
- **2013** Doctor Sheila Willis (Applied Chemistry)
- **2012** Professor Malcolm R. Smyth (Applied Chemistry)
- **2011** Professor Frank Hegarty (Pure Chemistry)
- **2009** Professor Seán Corish (Pure Chemistry)
- **2008** Professor Albert Pratt (Pure Chemistry)
- **2007** Professor Rory More O'Ferrall (Pure Chemistry)
- **2005** Professor Donald Fitzmaurice (Pure Chemistry)
- **2002** Doctor John F. O'Sullivan (Applied Chemistry)
- **2000** Professor Dervilla M.X. Donnelly (Pure Chemistry)



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The ICI Annual Award for Chemistry (Eva Philbin Public Lecture Series) 2024

This 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 recipient must be a Chemist of any nationality working in Ireland.** They will present lectures in three locations in Ireland (including Dublin), which will be open to the public. A person nominated for this award must be a member of the Institute at the time of nomination or upon receipt of the award.

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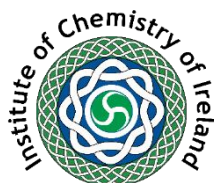
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Past Recipients

- 2005 Professor David A. Leigh
- 2006 Professor A. Prasanna de Silva
- 2007 Dr Mary Archer
- 2008 Professor Peter Atkins
- 2009 Professor Martyn Poliakoff
- 2011 Dr Malachy McCann
- 2012 Professor Lesley Yellowlees
- 2013 Professor Herbert W. Roeskey
- 2014 Professor Thorfinnur Gunnlaugsson
- 2015 Professor Michael J. Zaworotko
- 2016 Professor John Sodeau
- 2017 Professor Donal O'Shea
- 2018 Professor Anita Maguire
- 2019 Professor Declan McCormack
- 2020 Professor Declan Gilheany
- 2021 Professor Paula Colavita
- 2022 Professor Carmel Breslin
- 2023 Professor Susan Quinn



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The ICI Postgraduate Award for Chemistry 2024

The nominee must be a **registered PhD student in any Chemistry discipline working in an Irish Higher Education Institution**. They must have demonstrated excellence in research through publications. They must also have demonstrated a commitment to supporting and promoting Chemistry within their Institution (e.g., through active participation in public engagement initiatives). A person nominated for this award must be a member of the Institute at the time of nomination or upon receipt of the award.

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ICI Postgraduate Awardees to Date:

- 2023:** Kris O'Dowd (Atlantic Technical University Sligo)
- 2022:** Dr Niamh O'Mahoney (UCC) (Supervisor: Dr Dara Fitzpatrick)
- 2021:** Dr Ioannis Mylonas Margaritis (NUIG) (Supervisor: Dr Constantina Papatriantafyllopoulou)
- 2020:** Dr Priyanka Ganguly (Sligo IT) (Supervisor: Professor Suresh Pillai)
- 2020:** Dr Conor Crawford (UCD) (Supervisor: Professor Stefan Oscarson)
- 2019:** Dr Saoirse Dervin (Sligo IT) (Supervisor: Professor Suresh Pillai)
- 2018:** Dr Adele Gabba (NUIG) (Supervisor: Professor Paul Murphy)



47th ICI ANNUAL CONGRESS

“Achieving Sustainability Through Chemistry”





Congress Venue – The Great Hall

“Achieving Sustainability Through Chemistry”



The Congress was opened by Prof Stephen Bell, School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering with welcome and introductory remarks.



Prof John Cassidy, TU Dublin, chaired the Morning Session and introduced the speakers.

Invited Speakers

The principle invited speakers gave excellent and dynamic presentations on the topics indicated below:



•**Professor Peter Nockemann**, Queen’s University Belfast - “Sustainable Recycling of Rare Earth Metals – From Fundamentals to Application”



•**Professor Kevin Ryan**, University of Limerick - “Driving Increases in Energy Density in Li-ion and Beyond Li-ion Batteries for Electric Vehicles and Stationary Storage using Alloying Anodes”



•**Professor Fiona Regan**, Dublin City University - “Lab-on-a-Disc: Transforming How Chemical Pollutants Can Be Monitored in the Aquatic Environment”

The Afternoon Session was chaired by Prof Celine Marmion RCSI and Immediate Past President of ICI.



•**Professor Susan Quinn**, University College Dublin, ICI Annual Award for Chemistry (Eva Philbin Lecture Series) 2023 - “Adventures in DNA: Exploring New Avenues for Light Activated Diagnostics and Therapeutics”



•**Dr Marcus Baumann**, University College Dublin - “Continuous Flow Chemistry - From Improving Known Reactions to the Discovery of New Reactivity”



• **Professor Pilar Fernandez-Ibanez**, University of Ulster - “Photoelectrocatalysis to Address Emerging Pollutants and Pathogens in Aquatic Environment: From the Lab to the Real World”

Summary of the Invited Speakers Lectures

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Names of the ECRs who gave Elevator pitches.



1. Dr Hannah Crory. Hannah is a post-doc.
Carbohydrate Functionalised Materials: towards antimicrobial surfaces



2. Christine Coffey
Towards Phosphorus Cations as Main Group Catalysts



3. Michela Pacchione
Assessment of polymer stability for Phosphorus recovery



4. Bodhayan Biswas
Towards the Automated Synthesis of Monosaccharide Building Blocks and Applications in Oligosaccharide”



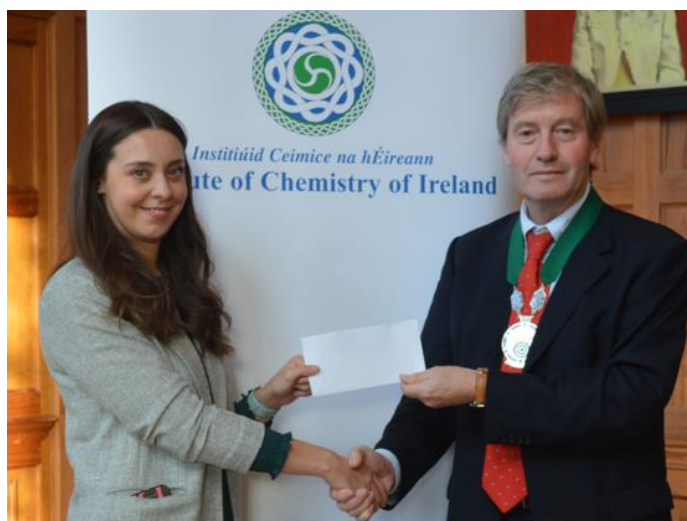
5. Aloisia King
Intrinsically IL FLPs and Their Applications



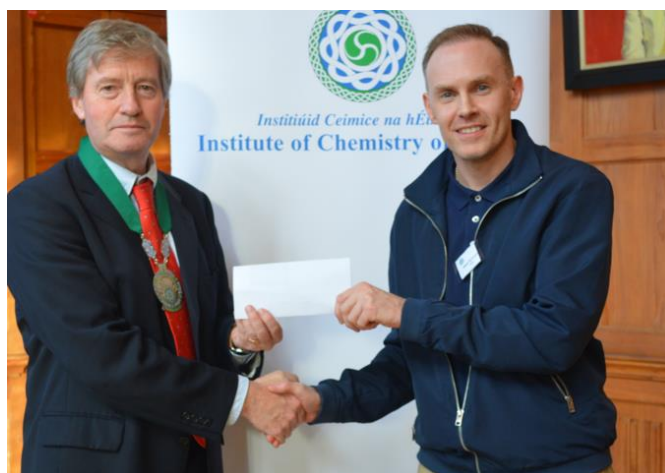
6. Kathryn Yeow
Biocatalytic Cascade Synthesis of Iminosugars from Monosaccharides

The Poster winners were:

Poster 5. Hannah Crory



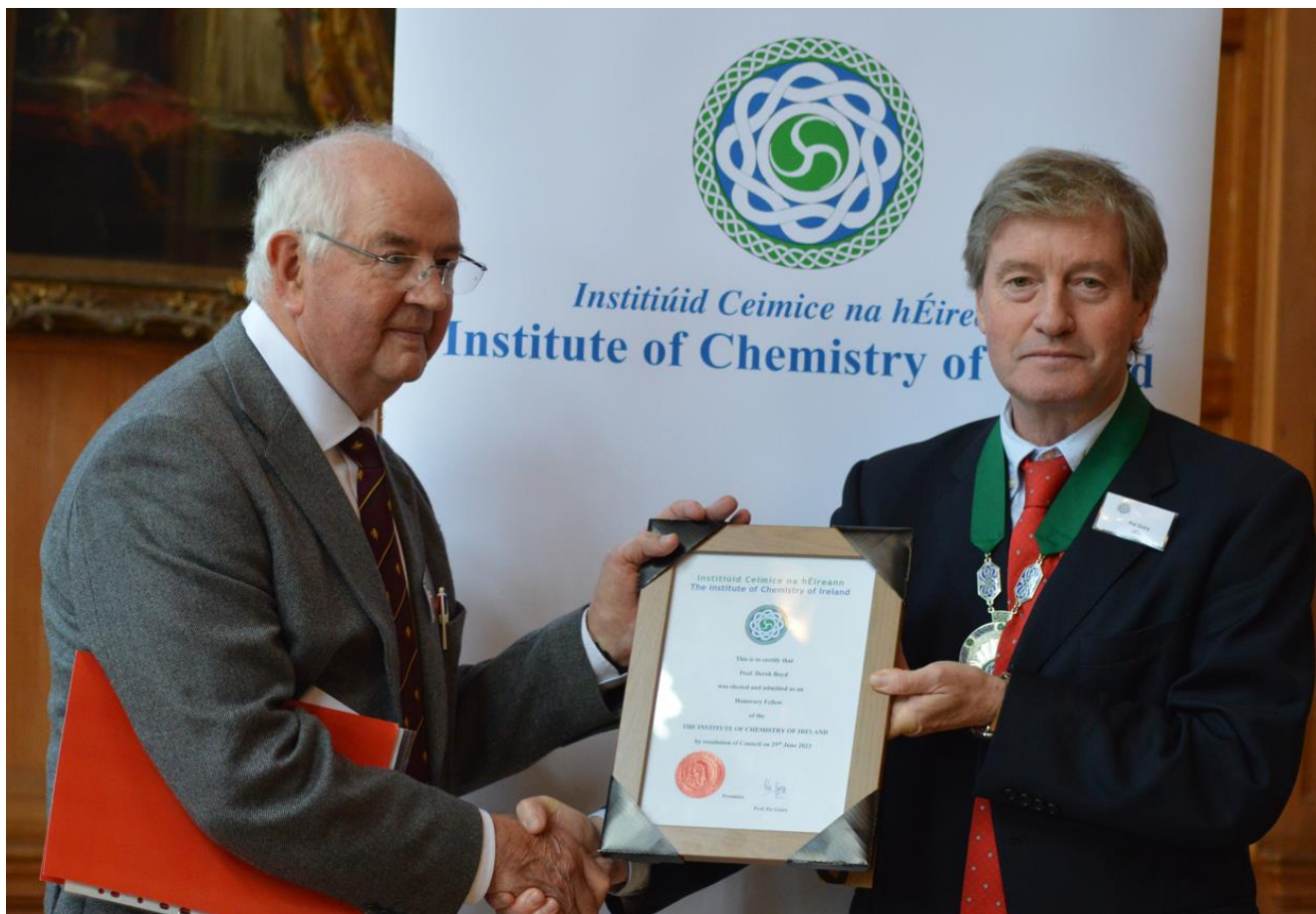
Poster 11 Wesley McCormick



Poster 13 (Rachel O'Sullivan)



Presentation of Honorary ICI Fellowship to Professor Derek Boyd



Presentation of Honorary ICI Honorary Fellowship to Professor Derek Boyd, QUB by ICI President Professor Pat Guiry, UCD

Prof Derek Boyd

Prof Boyd is a native of Northern Ireland, educated at Coleraine Academical Institution before studying Chemistry at Queen's.

He obtained his PhD at Queen's working with Prof Bernard Henbest as the first research student to work on enzyme-catalysed chemistry in the Chemistry Department, a topic that was to become a life-long interest. Indeed, he went on to gain an international reputation in this area and his work was often carried out in collaboration with other laboratories in the USA (NIH, MIT, Universities of Texas, and Iowa), in Ireland (UCD and UCC), in England (Unis of Warwick and Birmingham) and Poland (Adam Mickiewicz University).

Even in QUB his work had an international connection through his longstanding work with Dr Narain Sharma, who came to Queen's from India. This enzyme work, which was on animal and microbial metabolism pathways, metabolite identification and chemoenzymatic synthesis, led to numerous publications.

Following his PhD, which was awarded in 1966, and then postdoctoral work on plant alkaloid synthesis and biosynthesis, Prof Boyd was appointed as Lecturer in QUB in 1967 where he remained, apart from three separate sabbatical years spent in the USA at NIH (Bethesda) at MIT (Boston), until his retirement.



In addition to the work described above, Prof Boyd has also made significant contributions to studies of stereochemistry, which included, for example, the discovery of edge-to-face (π -bonding) aromatic interactions in alkenes, nitrones and imines and similar interactions binding arene substrates to aryl groups present in dioxygenase enzyme active sites. He has also made important contributions to the understanding of animal and bacterial metabolic pathways involving a range of unstable arene metabolites, including arene oxides, hydrates and cis and trans dihydrodiols.

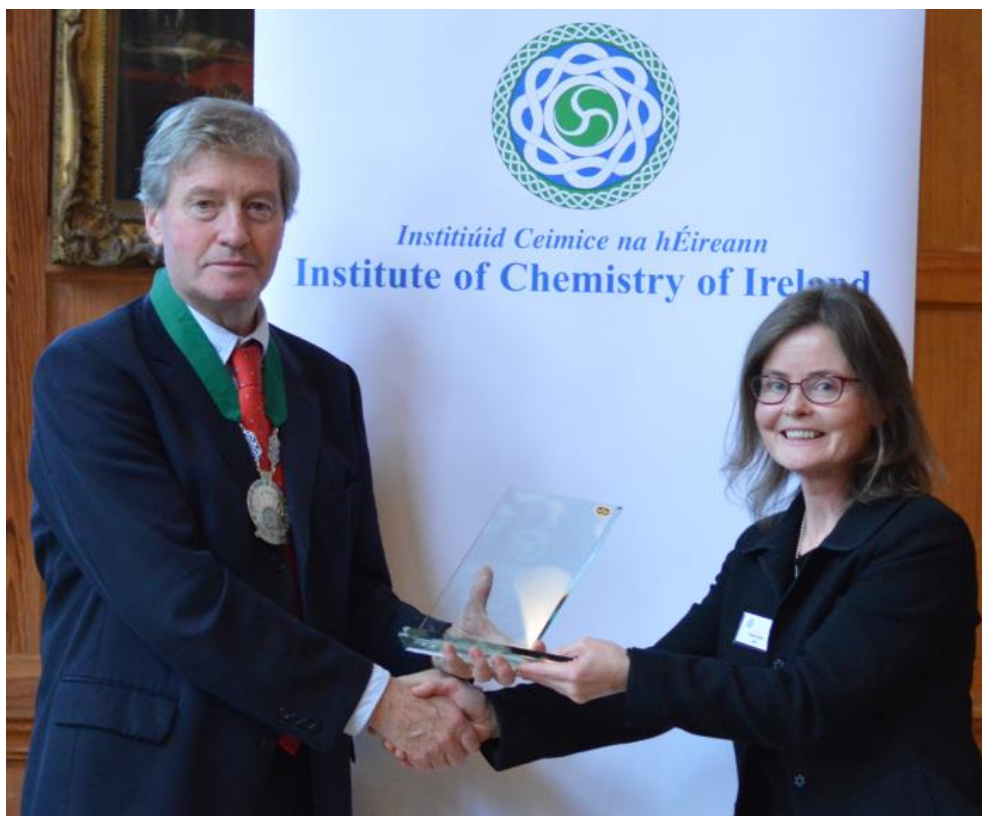
It is notable that following his “nominal” retirement in 2006, he has published > 50 additional papers, the most recent of which, where Prof Boyd was first author, was published in 2022. Bringing his current total to >300.

Finally, Prof Boyd has been a tremendous mentor to many students and early career researchers, where his unfailing generosity and common sense have had a great impact across the island of Ireland. After the award Prof Boyd spoke graciously and expressed his thanks for the Honorary Fellowship.



On the right Dr Sheila Willis formally Head of Forensic Science Ireland Laboratory who was made an ICI Honorary Fellow at the ICI Awards Day earlier this year with Professor Pat Guiry and ICI Honorary Fellow, Professor Derek Boyd at the ICI 47th Annual Congress at QUB.

Winner of the 2023 ICI Annual Lecture (Eva Philbin) Award



Professor Susan Quinn, UCD presented with her plaque by Professor Pat Guiry, UCD (Susan was unavailable for the formal Awards day event earlier this year)

Dr Susan Quinn pursued both her undergraduate and postgraduate studies at UCD. Following her honours degree she studied for her PhD in chemistry under the supervision of Professor Donald Fitzmaurice.

After a postdoctoral stay in Trinity College Dublin with Professors John Kelly and Thorri Gunnlaugsson, Susan was appointed as a College Lecturer in the School of Chemistry in UCD in 2009. She is currently an Associate Professor in Physical Chemistry (and Director of Teaching and Learning). In just a few short years, her research has already had international impact in areas stretching from ultrafast spectroscopy of nucleic acids and coordination compounds to nanomaterials such as quantum dots.

Susan is now globally recognised as one of the leading experts in the area of nucleic acid photophysics, and of the mechanism of photosensitised damage to nucleic acids. Her notable achievements in this area have already been recognised by the joint award of the *Cornforth Medal* by the Royal Society of Chemistry with Professors John Kelly (TCD) and Christine Cardin (Reading). Another of Dr Quinn's interests lies in the area of carbon materials, including species with fascinating molecular architectures such as carbon nano-horns, and she is one of the most sought-after collaborators in this area, especially for the experiments on the incorporation of these particles into biological cells.

Some of Susan's work involves the use of picosecond laser spectroscopy carried out in the Central Laser Facility of the Rutherford-Appleton laboratory in England. This work has allowed her group to probe the reactivity of key short-lived intermediate species such as excited states and radicals formed from the nucleic acid bases. The respect with which she is held in the community of laser scientists is attested to by the fact that she was asked to serve as one of two international experts on the committee

assessing projects (ranging from fundamental physics to cellular biology) submitted to this world-leading laboratory.

In recent years, Susan is now one of Ireland's most visible international speakers having delivered invited plenary and keynote lectures at major conferences and symposia world-wide, from Amsterdam to Auckland and Oxford to Melbourne, as well as invited seminars at the Royal Society (London), Madison (Wisconsin), Berlin, Hamburg, and numerous other venues in Europe, the USA, Australia/NZ and Japan, 60 in all. This remarkable trajectory is testimony to her talent, her enthusiasm for science, and her success in building an internationally competitive group of Irish student collaborators who are now themselves gaining recognition for their accomplishments.

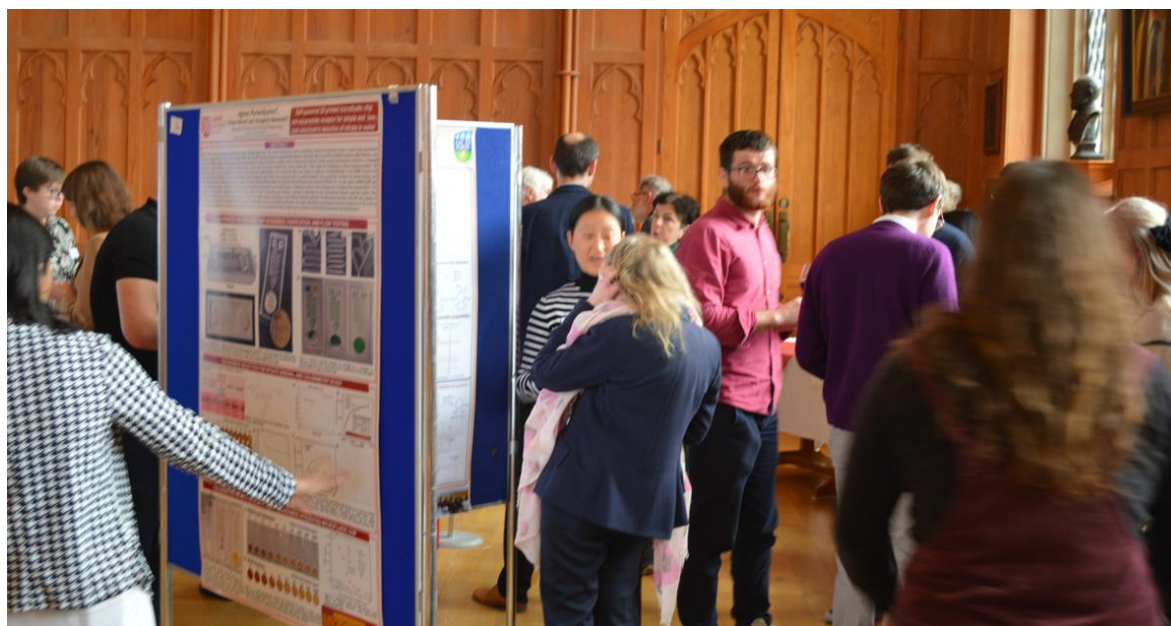
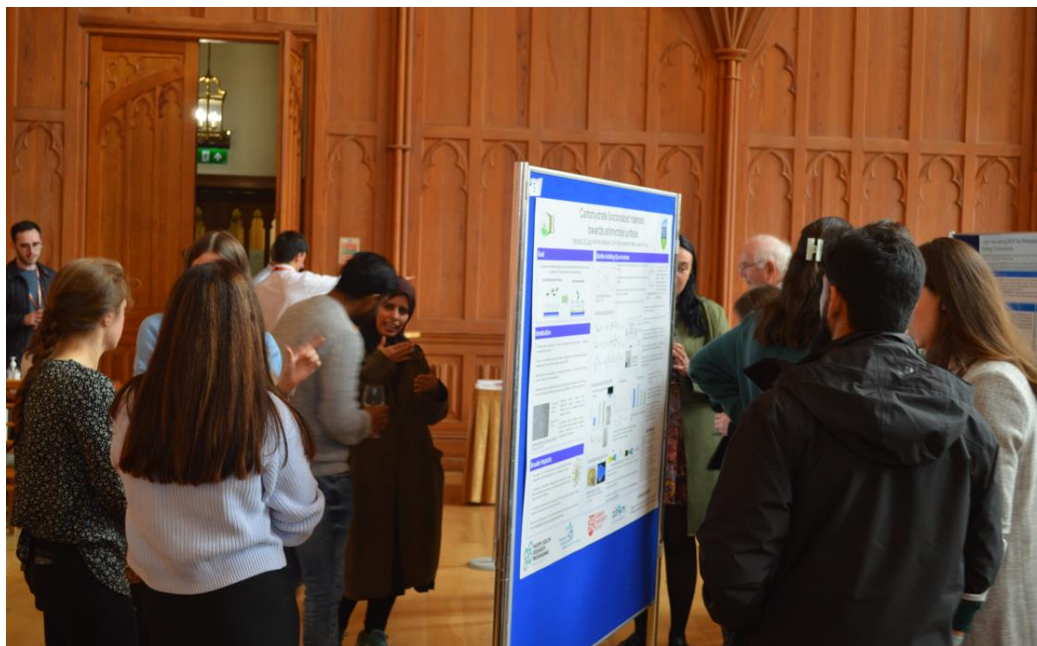
The selection of Dr Susan Quinn as the recipient of the ICI Eva Philbin award recognises not only her outstanding research achievements, her service to the public and scientific communities, but also her enthusiasm for a wide range of chemistry evidenced by her teaching commitments.

Council Members and Young Chemists at the ICI Annual Congress QUB



Back: Dr Joe Byrne, Prof John Cassidy, Dr Marcus Baumann, Prof Mike Lyons, Editor, Patrick Hobbs & Cathal Kelly QUB & Vice Chair, YCN
 Front: Prof Stephen Bell, Prof Pat Guiry, Dr John Keegan, Treasurer, Prof Celine Marmion

Poster Session





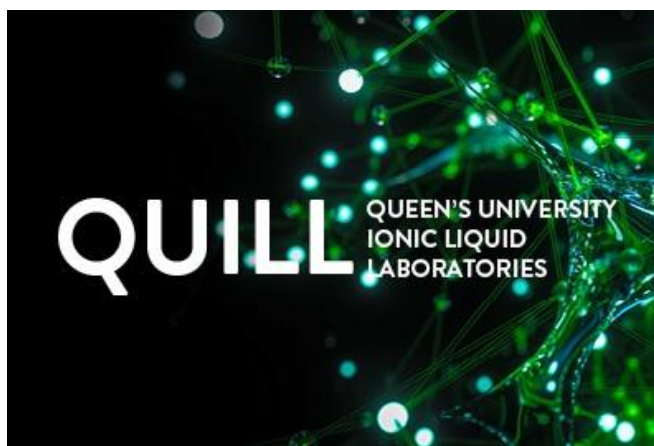
**From left, Eleanor Windle (3rd year PhD) Prof Susan Quinn, and Amélia Auville (1st year PhD)
Both PhD students are from the Quin Research Group**

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Irish Biological Inorganic Chemistry Society

The Irish Biological Inorganic Chemistry Society will host its 7th Symposium (IBICS-7) in **University College Dublin**, UCD Village, Dublin 4 on **Friday, 15th December 2023**



The symposium will include **2 plenary lectures** from international experts:



Professor Petra Heffeter

*Applied and Experimental Oncology,
Medical University of Vienna, Austria*

Development of new strategies to overcome the therapeutic limitations of inorganic anticancer drugs

Professor Ramón Vilar

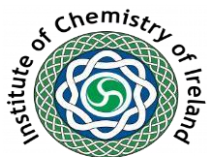
*Medicinal Inorganic Chemistry
Imperial College London, UK*

Targeting DNA with luminescent metal complexes – imaging and therapy



The symposium will include the presentation of the **IBICS Postgraduate Gold Medal 2023**

Nominations are open: <https://ibics.ie/ibics-awards/>



DETAILS

IBICS AGM: During the morning session of the symposium

Registration:

<https://forms.office.com/e/h1M2qQHN12>

Free for registered members or €30 via EFT

Call for abstracts now open (Oral, poster, flash)

Abstract deadline: Friday 24th Nov 2023, Registration deadline: Friday 8th Dec 2023

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Frontiers of Research podcast

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First awardees of the DOROTHY MSCA COFUND programme showcase innovative research to tackle public health crises

16 November

<https://research.ie/2023/11/16/first-awardees-of-the-dorothy-msca-cofund-programme-showcase-innovative-research-to-tackle-public-health-crises>

Gut-brain connection expert Professor Carel le Roux named Irish Research Council Researcher of the Year

21 November

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Minister Harris announces Taighde Éireann- Research Ireland as the official name of the new Research and Innovation funding agency

16 November

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**2nd Chemical Biology Ireland
Conference
University of Galway
July 22–23 2024**



Division of Medicinal and
Biological Chemistry of the
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Chemical biology—the study and manipulation of biological phenomena by using the mindset and tools of a chemist—is flourishing in Ireland. Of course, the type of research that underpins this relatively new discipline has been conducted in Ireland, as it has elsewhere, for over a century under the more traditional banners of ‘biological chemistry’ and ‘bioorganic/bioinorganic chemistry’. However, the newly coined discipline is different in both scope and conviction. Owing to massive strides in synthetic chemistry and analytical technologies, we are now in a position where, given sufficient resources, almost any stable molecule can be made, and previously intractable complex mixtures can be characterised in situ. Chemists now have the tools and confidence to break and form bonds in biological environments with high spatiotemporal precision and monitor molecular interactions and events overtime—it is perhaps this capability that has allowed the discipline of chemical biology to hold its own and complement the tools of biochemistry, genetics, and molecular biology.

In 2019, with a critical mass in chemical biology research activities in Ireland being apparent, Chemical Biology Ireland was established and its first conference, organised by Prof. Marina Rubini, was to be held in the summer of 2020 in UCD, Dublin. A wonderful line-up of international and national speakers was secured. For reasons that are obvious to readers, the conference was postponed to 2021 and again to the summer of 2022, when it finally came to pass. It was a fantastic sun-drenched 2-day event, which brimmed with excellent science, reinvigorated old networks and established new collaborations. For a report on this event, see the article linked here: <https://www.eurpepsoc.com/a-report-on-the-1st-chemical-biology-ireland-conference>. On the last day, just before everyone said their goodbyes, the baton was passed to Galway, the location for the 2nd Chemical Biology Ireland Conference in 2024.

The 2nd Chemical Biology Ireland Conference will take place next summer, July 22–23 2024 (falling on a Monday and a Tuesday) at the University of Galway. This conference is organised by the newly established division of the Institute of Chemistry of Ireland – the Division of Biological and Medicinal Chemistry, a merger of Chemical Biology Ireland and Medicinal Chemistry Ireland. This division is also enhanced through membership of the European Federation of Medicinal Chemistry and Chemical Biology. We have a stellar line-up of international and national speakers (see list below), who are leaders on the use of chemistry to interrogate and manipulate the function of enzymes, structural proteins, nucleic acids, glycans and metabolites. There will be particular emphasis on the chemical biology of carbohydrates and glycans, a nod to the rich history of research into these important biomolecules in Ireland, particularly in Galway. Indeed in 2024, it will have been 25 years since Galway hosted the 10th European Carbohydrate Symposium in 1999. However, the conference next summer will also feature research on the chemical biology of proteins, nucleic acids and secondary metabolites.

Delegates are encouraged to present a poster and early career researchers are invited to apply for one of six 20-minute oral presentation slots. There will also be social events to promote interaction, including an evening get-together and BBQ at one of Galway’s award-winning bars - An Púacán, and an early-morning run/walk along the Salthill promenade overlooking Galway Bay. Also, the Galway International Arts Festival (July 15–28) will be in full swing.

For more information, to register and to submit an abstract, see the conference website, which is linked below. We are looking forward to seeing many of you in Galway next July.

<https://universityofgalwaycbc.clr.events/event/134280:chemical-biology-ireland-conference-2024>

List of Confirmed Invited Speakers

Parajmit Arora	<i>New York University, USA</i>
Emily Balskus	<i>Harvard University, USA</i>
Helen Blanchard	<i>University of Galway, Ireland</i>
Ashraf Brik	<i>Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Israel</i>
Thomas Carell	<i>LMU-Munich, Germany</i>
Martin Fascione	<i>University of York, UK</i>
Sabine Flitsch	<i>University of Manchester, UK</i>
Carmen Galan	<i>University of Bristol, UK</i>
Jesús Jiménez Barbero	<i>CIC BioGUNE, Bilbao</i>
Jeet Kalia	<i>IISER, Bhopal, India</i>
Andrew Kellett	<i>DCU, Dublin, Ireland</i>
Andrea Rentmeister	<i>University of Münster, Germany</i>
Marina Rubini	<i>UCD, Dublin, Ireland</i>
Eoin Scanlan	<i>TCD, Dublin, Ireland</i>
Louise Walport	<i>Francis Crick Institute, London, UK</i>
Ulrika Westerlind	<i>Umeå University, Sweden</i>



The Institute of Chemistry of Ireland **Irish Young Chemists' Network (IYCN)**

After the ICI Postgraduate Chemistry Research Symposium held online in September 2020 was a success, an idea was put forward to establish an Irish Young Chemists' Network (IYCN) as part of the Institute of Chemistry of Ireland (ICI). This initiative was highly welcomed and encouraged by both the postgraduates in attendance of the online symposium and approved by the ICI Council Members during their Council meeting on the 1st October 2020.

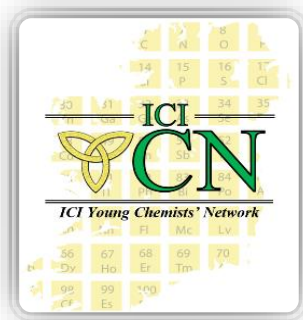
The committee of the online research symposium was made up of postgraduate students from various institutions in Ireland. As this committee worked in great harmony together, and had already established connections while organising the symposium, it was suggested to keep this committee for the IYCN. The members were all happy and motivated to be part of the IYCN committee. Together, we have summarised some of the benefits of establishing the Irish Young Chemists' Network to include:

- 1) Community, network and connection of young chemists
- 2) More opportunities for collaboration between early stage researchers
- 3) Organisation of conferences and events for young chemists
- 4) Opportunity for postgraduate students to present and discuss their work
- 5) A platform to promote upcoming positions suited for young chemists

The committee feel strongly about the first benefit especially during these times. We feel that the mental health of young chemists, including postgraduate students, is critical and essential. A sense of community and closeness, particularly during moments like these, would surely be beneficial to their mental health. As the chair of the committee, I will work together with the wonderful team of postgraduate students to establish the IYCN, while liaising and updating the ICI Council periodically as well as continue to avail of their expertise and support.

Mark Kelada, B.Sc. MICI Ph.D.

ICI Young Chemist Representative and Chair of Irish Young Chemists' Network



Are you a chemist in Ireland aged between 18-35 years old? Want to be part of an exciting new network of young chemists and be part of a growing community? Join us today by emailing youngchemists@instituteofchemistry.org with your name, age, and where you study or work. If your institution is not listed below, you could even be part of our incredible committee.

ICI's Young Chemists Network Committee for 2023/2024

The ICI Young Chemists Network is dedicated to facilitating networking opportunities and fostering connections among chemists in Ireland. We provide a platform for knowledge sharing, professional development, and career enhancement. Given the fundamental changes of Irish culture in recent decades, this year's committee is dedicating its efforts towards equality, diversity and inclusion within the field of chemistry.



ICI YCN Committee at the 74th Irish Universities Chemistry Research Colloquium at NUIG June 2023

“We are fortunate to have a committee of self-motivated and diligent individuals, committed to the same mission. Ireland has changed as a society over recent decades. It is diverse and full of people with unique and wonderful cultures. As a professional body for chemistry within Ireland we want to ensure this diversity is reflected within Irish chemistry. It is our responsibility to change. We would be delighted to work with stakeholders, who would like to boost representation of those underrepresented within Irish chemistry”.

Seán Byrne, Chairperson of the ICI YCN, Director of the Institute of Chemistry Ireland, PhD student UCD.

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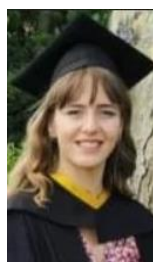
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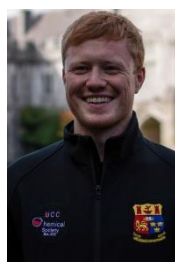
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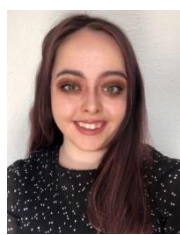
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Sean Byrne is the new Chair of ICI's Young Chemists Committee.

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The Institute attended the All-Ireland Chemical Expo in Leopardstown Pavilion on November 8th.

Prof Pat Guiry spoke about the Institute and EuChemS Chemical Congress 9 next July. Then followed Dr Joe Byrne, UCD representing the ICI Young Chemists Network explaining what they do and encouraging member of ICI and YCN. A little later Suresh Pillai gave an interesting talk on Innovation. Our speakers were introduced by Dr Diane Turner, founder of Anthias Consulting Ltd, and previous Chair of the RSC Analytical Chemistry Group. Throughout the day there were many interesting presentations as can be seen on the two pages ahead. The Editor was present and talked to the exhibitors about exhibiting at ECC-9 and took some photographs.



Dr Diane Turner introducing the talks and presentations



Prof Pat Guiry giving his presentation on the Institute of Chemistry of Ireland and ECC-9 next July



Dr Joe Byrne UCD highlighting the ICI Young Chemists Network



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9.40-9.55	Professor Pat Guiry, Director of the Centre for Synthesis and Chemical Biology, School of Chemistry, University College Dublin	The Institute of Chemistry of Ireland and the 9th EuChemS Congress in Dublin 7-11 July 2024
9.55-10.00	Dr Joseph Byrne, Lecturer & Assistant Professor, University College Dublin	Institute's Young Chemists Network
10.00-10.20	James Fenton, LIMS Consultant, Autoscribe Informatics	Driving Automation, Management and Profitability in Your Laboratory
10.20-10.40	Jack O'Grady, Senior Programmes Manager, My Green Labs	My Green Lab - Building a Global Culture of Sustainability in Science
10.40-11.00	Mike Griffin, Founder & Managing Director, Lab Works	Ductless vs Ducted Fume Cupboards
11.00-11.20	Aratz Akarregi, Area Director, Burdinola Safer Labs	Burdinola Laboratory Furniture & Fume Cupboards
11.20-11.40	Dermot Murphy, IoT Research Engineer, Irish Manufacturing Research	Cleanroom Optimisation using Industrial IoT
REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING		
11.40-12.00	Dubhaltach MacLochlainn, Technical Manager - Temperature Section, NSAI	How to Measure with Confidence
12.00-12.20	Kieran Falvey, Director & Principal Consultant, Pharmalliance Consulting Ltd	Contamination Control - How the updated EU Annex 1 Regulation Impacts Your Cleanroom
12.20-12.40	Prof Suresh Pallai, Atlantic Technological University, Sligo	Maximizing the Potential of Innovation: Connecting Conceptualization to Real-world Impact
12.40-13.00	LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING	
13.00-13.20	Pat Browne, Head of Fixed Sales, OBW Technologies	The Future of Gas Detection Solutions
13.20-13.40	Gethin Jones, Director, Clean Air Monitoring Solutions	Continuous (Viable) Monitoring for Annex 1 Compliance
13.40-14.00	Martin Lill, Marketing Manager EMEA, Lakeland Europe	The common mis-interpretation of Infectious Agent Standard EN 14126 and how it could mean operators are not as well protected as you think
LAB & CHEMICAL SUSTAINABILITY		
14.00-14.20	Lucy Moore, Sustainability Manager, Scientific Laboratory Supplies	The Journey to Determining Product Sustainability
14.20-14.40	Dr Diane Turner , Founder, Director & Senior Consultant, Anthias Consulting Ltd.	Gas Chromatography & GC-MS Sustainability & Health Check
14.40-15.00	Kevin Walsh, CEO & Founder, Chemishield	Digitizing Waste Management in the lab - Eliminating paper, enhancing safety & the move towards a circular economy
15.00-15.20	Alf Gregg, Commercial Director, SteriTech Process Solutions	Lab Scale-Up in Pharma: Bridging Discovery to Production
15.20-15.40	Dr Ciarán Seoighe, Deputy Director General, SFI	SFI Spearheads Drive for Sustainable Laboratories
15.40-15.45	Dr Diane Turner , Founder, Director & Senior Consultant, Anthias Consulting Ltd.	Closing Remarks

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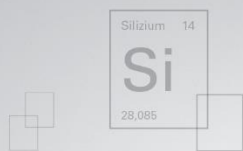
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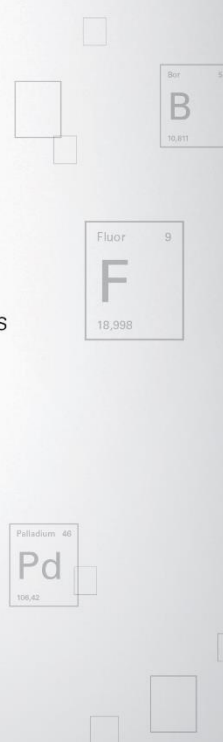


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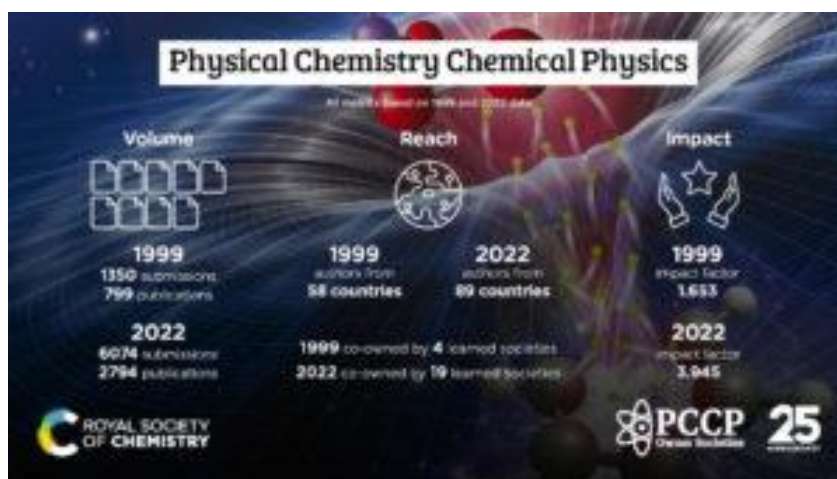
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On 16 November, the third issue of EuChemS Magazine Plus, an extended edition of the monthly EuChemS Magazine was published.

EuChemS Magazine Plus features a selection of articles and in-depth essays written by guest contributors from the European Chemistry Community. In our November issue, the Editorial by Floris Rutjes, discusses his years as the President of EuChemS, while his President's Column describes EuChemS' stance regarding PFAS Policy. In addition, you can learn about trust in science and countering misinformation in our two policy essays.

You can also read summaries of our professional networks' conferences over the summer as well as of our Annual Meetings in Cyprus, and perspectives the German Bunsen Society as well as from the Hungarian Chemical Society, and gather information about the 9th EuChemS Chemistry Congress, in Dublin.

Furthermore, in our research segment, you can get to know an innovative chemistry e-learning tool and GDCh's new global collaborations – as well as an interview with the 2023 EuChemS Lecture Award Recipient. Last but not least, you can also hear from our correspondents from C2W and ChemistryViews.

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Strengthening EuChemS

Floris Rutjes,
European Chemical Society
 November 15, 2023

As his term as EuChemS President ends on 31 December 2023, Floris Rutjes summarizes the last three years.

While returning from Cyprus, chairing my last General Assembly as EuChemS President, it doesn't feel like my EuChemS activities are coming to an end. Looking back at the past four years in the Executive Board, one as President-Elect and three years as President, the first 30 months were largely dominated by COVID, resulting in few personal interactions and many online meetings and webinars.

Yet, we adapted and got accustomed to new ways of interacting within EuChemS. It resulted in fewer in-person Executive Board meetings, adaptation of the constitution such that we can have virtual General Assemblies also under normal circumstances, and hybrid science and policy workshops from the European Parliament, thereby reaching a much bigger audience than before, to mention a few examples.

I am proud that under these difficult circumstances, EuChemS was able to maintain its activities and even increase the number of events and participation in science-policy outreach. After COVID, steadily all the regular activities were resumed, with the most rewarding one being the successful 8th EuChemS Chemistry Congress in Lisbon, where people could meet in person again after a long time.

Being three years EuChemS President may sound like a long time, but in my perception, it passed very quickly. It takes time to, for instance, learn how the EuChemS organization really works, how exactly the divisions and working parties are organized, which policy activities we should be involved in, and which internal processes could be improved. A continuous goal of many of the changes that were implemented was to increase EuChemS' visibility and branding the name EuChemS.

The acronym EuChemS is now always visible in the name of awards, there is a new monthly magazine that contains the name EuChemS, we have video clips explaining what EuChemS stands for and so on. We teamed up with the larger member societies in science-policy activities, such as the [High-Level Roundtable on the Implementation of Sustainable Chemicals Strategy](#) set up by the European Commission, [Stick-to-Science](#) and [Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment \(CoARA\)](#). And we changed our focus to sustainability, as with, for example, the [EuChemS Periodic Table](#), which as of recently, no longer focuses solely on scarcity but also on sustainability as well.

The first three years I worked closely with the experienced board members Pilar Goya and Eckart Rühl, and continuing without them feels like a transition. Their successors, Angela Agostiano and Hans-Peter Lühti, however, have started full **with** of enthusiasm and new ideas and that gives new elan to the board.

Industrial participation has started, and there are new plans to invest in creating a stronger European chemistry community. Therefore, I am convinced that with this new team, as always supported by the dedicated EuChemS Office, we will continue with the Member Societies and the Professional Networks to further develop EuChemS into a stronger and more powerful player in the European chemistry arena.

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16 November

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5 November 2019

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Merck's New Digital Reference Materials Platform for Analytical Testing

15 November

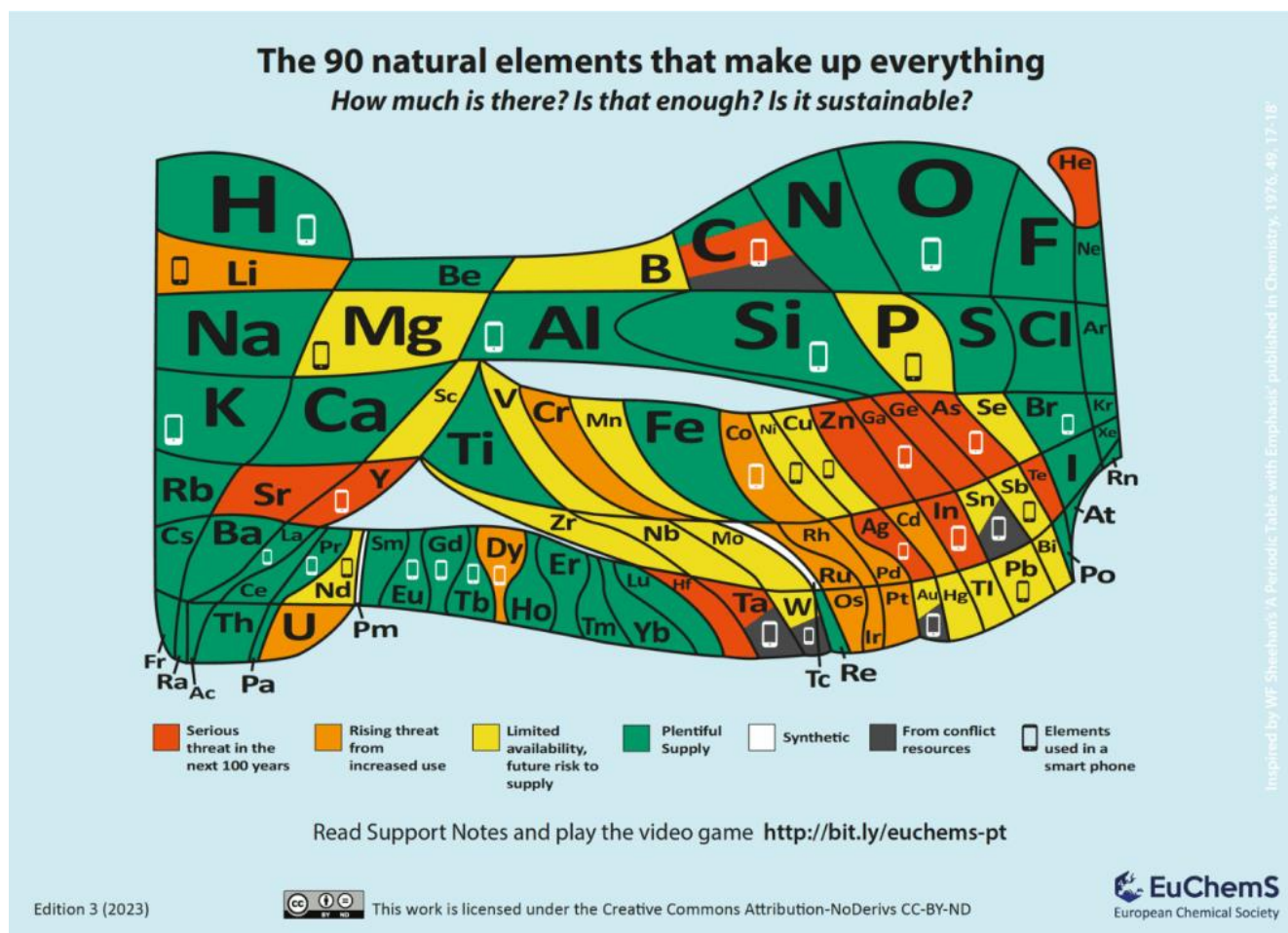
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Many more interesting articles available at:

<https://www.chemistryviews.org>

New EuChemS Periodic Table 2023

Focus on Sustainability and Scarcity



<https://www.euchems.eu/euchems-periodic-table>

Following up on the [EuChemS scientific workshop on Lithium In 2021](#), the colour of this element in the Table has been changed from yellow to orange, because its extraction and use is projected to increase dramatically in the years to come due to the production of lithium-ion batteries, to be primarily used in the automotive sector. At present, 75% of lithium production is used for batteries ([see here](#)) and this share is projected to increase.

According to the International Energy Agency the lithium demand should increase about 40 times by 2040, in order to sustain the expansion of green technologies and keep the global average temperature increase within 1.5 degrees ([see here](#)).

However, making accurate predictions is difficult, because technological advances can change the overall scenario. The projected demand of lithium might substantially decrease if relevant technological progress were to occur, such as the consolidation of sodium-ion batteries or the implementation of recycling practices in the battery sector.



There are many articles and updates in EuChemS Magazine plus. Two well written articles stand out for me, and their message is reflected in the ICN topic “**Science & Truth, Trust & Science Communication**”. These are:

Standing for science in the era of social media and fake news

15 November

“Before the last global financial crisis, scientists were thought to be competent people who could be asked for a trustworthy judgement on a specialized topic. This changed after the banking and real estate sectors experienced the 2008 financial crisis, which caused a decline in trust in economic gurus. Nonetheless, due to consistent technological advancements, new developments in AI tools, and improvements in healthcare, faith in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) has grown. **But public trust in science and scientists in general has been eroding recently.**

Unquestionably, science was successful in combating the COVID-19 pandemic. In contemporary postmodern society, scientists are losing their privileged position as role models to other professionals. Why is this happening?”

By Shahzada Ahmad*, Manuel Doblare**,

*BCMaterials, Basque center for Materials, Applications and Nanostructures, Leioa, Spain, **Tissue Microenvironment lab (TME lab), Aragón Institute of Engineering Research (I3A), University of Zaragoza, Spain

The role of scientific communities in disarming misinformation

15 November 2023

“Covid vaccines contain microchips. 5G networks control our brains and cause cancer. The moon landing is fake. And, of course, world governments are full of lizard people. We all have heard conspiracy theories. Maybe their absurdities even elicited a chuckle, or we just scoffed at them before ignoring them. But for an increasing number of people, statements only barely less crazy than the ones above may sound credible - causing unnecessary harm, generating risks, and leading to significant political and social turmoil. Think about the reoccurrence of measles in anti-vaccination communities, the spread of the COVID pandemic due to disregard towards security measures, or the violence committed by followers of the Q-anon conspiracy in the United States.

By Marton Kottmayer,

European Chemical Society

You can read these two articles by clicking [Read More](#) in the magazine under Floris’s editorial.

You can read more EuChemS news Items here:

<https://www.euchems.eu/communication/news>

EuChemS scientific Divisions and Working Parties enhance networking in their own fields of expertise and promote collaboration with other European and international organisations. See:

<https://www.euchems.eu/divisions>



<https://erc.europa.eu/homepage>

ERC

Boosting drug delivery to beat cancer

7 July

[Boosting drug delivery to beat cancer | ERC \(europa.eu\)](#)

ERC Starting Grants: 400 bright minds awarded over €628 million

5 September

[ERC Starting Grants: 400 bright minds awarded over €628 million | ERC \(europa.eu\)](#)

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Synergy Grants winners | Science stories | ERC annual conference

26 October

[ERC Synergy Grants back 37 teams to tackle complex scientific questions | ERC \(europa.eu\)](#)

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Starting Grants 2024 applications: Facts and figures | ERC

9 November

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A critical and prospective stance on excellence and open science

13 November

<https://erc.europa.eu/news-events/news/critical-and-prospective-stance-excellence-and-open-science>

Trinity pair win European Research Council (ERC) Consolidator Grants - News & Events | Trinity College Dublin

23 November

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Consolidator Grants: ERC unleashes €627m in grants to fuel excellent research across Europe

23 November

<https://erc.europa.eu/news-events/news/erc-2023-consolidator-grants-results>

Analytical Chemistry Papers & Articles

Multivariate methods for analysis of environmental reference materials using laser-induced breakdown spectroscopy

June 2017

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2214181216300830>

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.j.ancr.2017.01.001>

Colorimetric Detection Based on Localised Surface Plasmon Resonance Optical Characteristics for the Detection of Hydrogen Peroxide Using Acacia Gum–Stabilised Silver Nanoparticles

26 February 2017

<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/1177390116684686>

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/11773901166846>

A simple, cost-effective colorimetric assay for aluminum ions via complexation with the flavonoid rutin

27 October 2022

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19 April 2023

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A green HPLC method for the determination of apixaban in pharmaceutical products: Development and validation

18 August 2023

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26 September

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What makes those pandemic-era sourdoughs so deliciously, uniquely, sour?

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"Eat Your Broccoli Sprouts", They Contain Seven Times More Polysulfides Than Mature Vegetables

24 October

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30 October

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8 November

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9 November

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22 November

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26 October

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13 November

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[\(263\) SCIENCE COMMUNICATION - YouTube](#)

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Science, Truth, Trust & Science Communication

Stanford president retracts two Science papers following investigation – Retraction Watch

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How early-career researchers can learn to trust negative data: five simple steps

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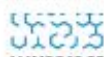
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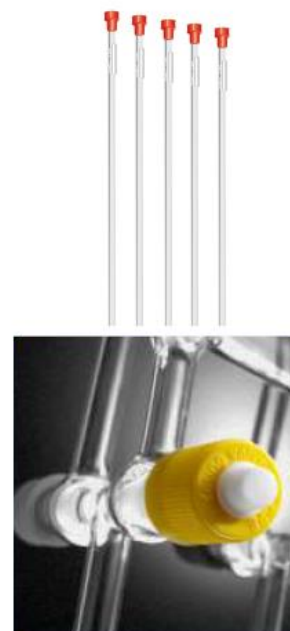
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SFI News, Updates & Reports

Minister Harris announces Taighde Éireann-Research Ireland as the official name of the new Research and Innovation funding agency

16 November 2023



Pictured l-r: Minister Simon Harris and Professor Philip Nolan

Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science Simon Harris has today announced Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland as the official name of the new Research and Innovation funding agency.

The official naming marks another landmark moment in the process to establish the new agency, which will be created on the passing of the Research and Innovation Bill 2023.

The legislation, which will be published in the coming weeks, will amalgamate the activities and functions of the Irish Research Council (IRC) and Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) to create a new competitive funding agency for research and innovation.

Announcing the official name of the agency today, **Minister Harris** said: “I am to very glad to announce Taighde Éireann- Research Ireland as the official name of the new Research and Innovation funding agency.

“It has the clarity and impact needed to communicate the mission of the new agency effectively, both at home and further afield.

“This is an essential element of my Department’s commitments under the Programme for Government, and Impact 2030. The new agency will deliver enhanced added value and ambition as part of the wider research and innovation system.

“Researchers can be reassured that there will be no interruption to ongoing services and funding programmes while the new agency is being set up. This work is underway and the CEO Designate is working closely with my Department on getting ready for the establishment in 2024.”

Professor Philip Nolan was appointed as CEO Designate of the new agency in May.

Speaking today, **Professor Nolan** said: “The creation of the new agency, Taighde Éireann- Research Ireland, offers the opportunity, as outlined in Impact 2030, to place all research areas on an equal and statutory footing and to drive a step-change in interdisciplinary research.

"The agency will be building on the recognised strengths of the IRC and SFI, but will also be a cornerstone of a more connected and ambitious research and innovation system for Ireland.

"The choice of Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland as the name for the new agency is important in transmitting to stakeholders at home and abroad this sense of ambition and purpose.”

The Official Languages (Amendment) Act 2021 requires that the name of a new agency promotes and puts priority on the Irish language.

The name Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland will accomplish these aims, and also allow the new agency to promote the success and excellence of Irish research and innovation in Europe and wider international arenas.

Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland will capitalise on the recognised strengths of the Irish Research Council and Science Foundation Ireland in driving world class research and innovation in Ireland.

The new agency will fund research and innovation excellence in all disciplines across the spectrum of Arts, Engineering, Humanities, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences, Technology and others.

The Research and Innovation Bill 2023 will place Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences research on a statutory footing for the first time.

The establishment of the agency in statute also ensures parity of esteem for the IRC’s critical mission of supporting researchers at all career stages.

In making competitive funding awards across all disciplines and of varying sizes, the agency will significantly broaden the access of researchers in all areas to an improved range of research funding programmes.

It is expected that Taighde Éireann - Research Ireland will come into operation in 2024.

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SFI-IRC Pathway Programme Launch

SFI and the IRC are pleased to announce that the **SFI-IRC Pathway programme 2024** is now open! The Programme is open to talented post-doctoral researchers across **all research disciplines** who are poised to transition to an independent research career.

The key goal of this joint funding programme is to support excellent researchers, who have held a PhD for at least 2 years, to develop their track record and establish themselves as independent investigators.

Potential applicants to the SFI-IRC Pathway Programme 2024 call should first seek pre-approval from their intended host institution.

An information webinar will be available **Tuesday 12th December 2023**.

Details of the webinar and further information on the **SFI-IRC Pathway programme** is available here:

[SFI-IRC Pathway Programme](#)

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SFI Strategic Partnership Programme

Science Foundation Ireland would like to notify members of the research community that the call guidance documentation for preparing submissions to the [SFI Strategic Partnership Programme](#) has been updated. This is to reflect changes in both the submission and review processes for full applications to the programme.

The updated programme call document can be found in the downloads section of the programme webpage:

[SFI Strategic Partnership Programme](#)

SFI News



This month's SFI News includes the 2022 SFI Annual Report, the winners of the first SDG Challenge, information on current funding opportunities, and SFI-funded researchers featured in the media.

SFI-funded research delivers significant economic and societal benefits for Ireland

Minister Simon Harris launched the 2022 SFI annual report. The report showcases the talent and dedication of the SFI-funded research community. [Read more](#)



Ministers Harris and Fleming announce winning projects of Sustainable Development Goals Challenge

Prof Sean Doyle and Dr Nicola Mountford (Maynooth University) with Dr Peter Waiswa (Makerere University) have won the first SDG Challenge, with a new approach to identifying sepsis in newborn babies. [Read more](#)



Science Week 2023 sparks national conversation about what it means to be human

Minister Simon Harris joined SFI to launch Science Week 2023, announcing €650,000 in funding for festivals and events taking place from 12th-19th November. [Read more](#)



Minister Simon Harris welcomes final teams to join the National Challenge Fund

Twenty-five teams have joined the final two National Challenge Fund challenges: the Sustainable Communities Challenge and the Future Food Systems Challenge. [Read more](#)



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SFI-NSF I-Corps@SFI Entrepreneurial Training Programme 2023

Science Foundation Ireland is pleased to launch the [2023 SFI-NSF I-Corps@SFI Entrepreneurial Training Programme Call](#).

The SFI-NSF I-Corps@SFI Entrepreneurial Training Programme is intended to support SFI grant holders, and associated team members, to develop entrepreneurial and innovation skills that will enable them to realise new economic and societal impact opportunities for their research.

This programme offers a grant of up to €35k over a duration of up to 6-months and access to the world-renowned NSF I-Corps Teams programme.

Full details on the Programme and how to apply are available on our website

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Sustainable Laboratory Certification Pilot Programme

SFI is pleased to announce the launch of the [Sustainable Laboratory Certification Pilot Programme](#), which will be delivered in partnership with [My Green Lab](#).

This pilot programme will support up to 100 labs maintained by SFI Principal Investigators/Funded Investigators, and their research groups, to participate in the My Green Lab Certification process.

Expressions of Interest are invited now. For more information on the pilot programme and how to apply, visit:

[Sustainable Laboratory Certification](#)

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SFI News



This month's SFI News includes the launch of the Sustainable Laboratory Certification pilot programme, upcoming events, funding opportunities and SFI-funded researchers featured in the media.

SFI spearheads drive for sustainable laboratories

The initiative, delivered in partnership with My Green Lab, aims to bring best-in-class, sustainable research practices into Irish labs. [Read more](#)



Sustainable Laboratory Certification Pilot Programme

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Expressions of interest are invited from SFI Principal Investigators/Funded Investigators, to participate in the [Sustainable Laboratory Certification pilot programme](#), delivered in partnership with [My Green Lab](#). EoI deadline for the first tranche is 1pm **7th November 2023**.

Apply now

Funding Opportunities



The [SFI Frontiers for the Future Programme](#) provides opportunities for independent investigators to conduct highly innovative, collaborative research. The Awards stream is now open as a **rolling call**, remaining open for the foreseeable future, subject to budget availability.



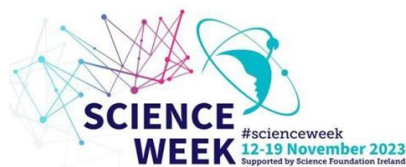
The [SFI-NSF I-Corps@SFI Entrepreneurial Training Programme](#) supports research teams to participate in the **NSF I-Corps Teams** programme. Application deadline for **Call A** is 1pm **19th January 2024**.

Upcoming events



SCI:COM is a unique live event that welcomes great minds from the arena of science communication and beyond for an exciting day of talks, panel discussions, and networking. Taking place on **6th December 2023**, speakers include psychotherapist and author Richie Sadlier, SFI Director General Prof Philip Nolan, and Fiona Fox from the Science Media Centre.

[Get inspired](#)



Taking place from **12th - 19th November 2023**, the theme for **Science Week 2023** is *'Human?'*, which asks people to consider what it means to be human in today's world, and how the decisions we make today will impact the people and world of the future.

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SFI-IRC Pathway Programme 2024

Advanced Notice

Science Foundation Ireland and the Irish Research Council are pleased to advise that the 2024 **SFI-IRC Pathway programme** will launch on December 5th, 2023!

The SFI-IRC Pathway Programme is targeted towards talented post-doctoral researchers across **all research disciplines** who are poised to transition to an independent research career.

The key goal of this joint funding programme is to support excellent researchers, who have held a PhD for at least 2 years, to develop their track record and establish themselves as independent investigators.

The structure of the programme, including eligibility criteria and information required for the application will be the same as 2022 call. As was the case previously, women candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

The maximum budget request for the 2024 call has been increased to **€495,000** in direct costs over a four-year term.

Potential applicants to the SFI-IRC Pathway Programme 2024 call should first seek pre-approval from their intended host institution.

The deadline for Research Body nomination of candidates is **20th February 2024**, 13:00 Dublin local time.

More information will follow in the coming weeks. Please direct all queries to pathway@sfi.ie.

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Minister Harris appoints Professor Philip Nolan as CEO Designate of the Research and Innovation funding agency

[Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science](#)

30 May

Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science Simon Harris has today announced the appointment of Professor Philip Nolan as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Designate of the new Research and Innovation funding agency.

The appointment of Professor Nolan marks a pivotal moment in the process to establish the agency, which will be created on the passing of the Research and Innovation Bill 2023. The legislation, which goes through the Oireachtas later this year, will also amalgamate the activities and functions of the Irish Research Council (IRC) and Science Foundation Ireland (SFI).

Professor Nolan is currently the Director General of Science Foundation Ireland and will stay in this role until the establishment of the new agency.

Previously, he served as the President of Maynooth University and was Deputy President of University College Dublin prior to that.

Announcing the appointment today, Minister Harris said:

“I am delighted to announce the appointment of Professor Nolan, who will bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role.

“This appointment marks a significant milestone in the establishment of the agency. It will allow for the operational and transitional work required to set up the agency proceed at pace, alongside the legislative process.

“The appointment of Professor Nolan will provide important continuity and leadership during the transitional period and the early stages of the new agency.

“Professor Nolan will engage closely with my department, as well as the Irish Research Council, in progressing the body of work required to ensure the agency is prepared to serve the research community well shortly after the enactment of the legislation.

“At the same time, Professor Nolan will continue in his role as Director General of Science Foundation Ireland.

“Researchers can be reassured that there will be no interruption to ongoing services and funding programmes while the new agency is being set up. It will be business as usual in the IRC and SFI.”

Speaking today, Professor Philip Nolan said:

“I am honoured and excited to have been appointed by Minister Simon Harris as the CEO-designate of the new national research and innovation agency.

“This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to drive a step change in public investment in research, and give us the talent, knowledge and expertise to address the major societal challenges and changes that we must confront over the coming decades.

“SFI and the IRC have both made vital contributions to research, scholarship, and innovation, and I look forward to working with the Minister and all stakeholders to bring together the

strengths of these two excellent agencies, better to serve society, and to get the very best for all of us from the taxpayers' investment in research and innovation."

The creation of the new research and innovation funding agency is a key action in Impact 2030: Ireland's Research and Innovation Strategy.

The new agency will capitalise on the recognised strengths of the Irish Research Council and Science Foundation Ireland in driving world class research and innovation in Ireland.

The new agency will fund research and innovation excellence in all disciplines across the spectrum of Arts, Engineering, Humanities, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences, Technology, and others.

The new legislation will place Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences research on a statutory footing for the first time.

The establishment of the agency in statute also ensures parity of esteem for the IRC's critical mission of supporting researchers at all career stages.

In making competitive funding awards across all disciplines and of varying sizes, the agency will significantly broaden the access of researchers in all areas to an improved range of research funding programmes.

It is expected that the new agency should come into operation in January 2024.

Professor Nolan's appointment is effective from today and he will assume the role for the formative years of the new agency.

Notes

The creation of a new research and innovation agency is set against an ambitious programme of reform in the tertiary sector.

This comprises the establishment of the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science itself, including the development of a unified tertiary system, its remit for the national research and innovation system and other key policy developments.

For the purposes of the legislation, the unifying agency name of "Research and Innovation Ireland" will be used. However, this is a working title only and the department will work with stakeholders on the selection of a final name which is deemed appropriate in a national and international context and is inclusive of all disciplines.

A programme of stakeholder consultation has been taking place since the development of Impact 2030 and was integral to the development of that whole-of-government strategy on Irish research and innovation. Consultation with wider stakeholders, with particular regard to the research and innovation community, is being prepared in order to seek feedback on the operationalisation of the functions of the new agency and to keep them informed about progress. It is foreseen that this will be led by the CEO Designate of the agency. The main objectives of the General Scheme of the Research and Innovation Bill are to:

- promote and support excellence in research and innovation across all disciplines
- promote and support research and innovation's contribution to Ireland's economic, social, cultural and environmental development and sustainability

- strengthen engagement between the research and innovation system and enterprise, Government and public bodies, the voluntary sector and society
- in collaboration with the HEA and other public research funders, grow Ireland's international offering and reputation as a location for undertaking excellent research and innovation
- advance equality, diversity and inclusion in research and innovation
- promote, develop and assist the carrying out of oriented basic research in strategic areas of endeavour that concerns the future development and competitiveness of the State

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Science Foundation Ireland announces new Director General: Professor Philip Nolan

19 October

The Board of Science Foundation Ireland (SFI), the state agency responsible for investment in research in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, has announced the appointment of its new Director General-designate (Chief Executive Officer) Professor Philip Nolan. Professor Nolan will take up the appointment in mid-January 2022.

Philip Nolan has a strong track record of delivering in a number of senior leadership roles in higher education and research and is a trusted advisor to government. Professor Nolan recently completed his term as President of Maynooth University, now the fastest growing and most diverse university in Ireland. During his 10-year term as President, he instigated major campus developments, including a university-wide investment in research capacity, Maynooth University's largest capital project, a €57 million 'Technology Society and Innovation Project', the development of a 20-year campus master plan, and the opening of the International College of Engineering at Fuzhou University in China. At the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, Professor Nolan was asked by government to chair the National Public Health Emergency Team's (NPHE) Irish Epidemiological Modelling Advisory Group which has played a critical role in controlling the spread of Covid-19 in Ireland.

Professor Peter Clinch, Chairman of SFI, said: "On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to welcome Philip, as Director-General designate, to SFI. A distinguished researcher in his own right, Philip has a proven record of achievement as a leader in research and innovation as Director of the UCD Conway Institute for Biomolecular and Biomedical Research, Deputy President of, University College Dublin, Ireland's largest university, and as President of Maynooth University, Ireland's fastest growing and most diverse university. Over the past two decades SFI has played a central role in building a strong, sustainable, economy and society, through supporting the development of a world class research and

innovation system. Philip's role will be to build on this success to position Ireland as a Global Innovation Leader for the advancement of Ireland's economy and society. I wish him every success as Director General of SFI and look forward to working with him."

Professor Philip Nolan, said: "It is a privilege to be appointed Director-General of SFI. SFI has led the transformation of Ireland's research landscape, sponsoring outstanding research with global impact. The opportunity now is to build on this success, focusing on excellence in research and its translation into tangible benefits for our economy and society, to secure our position as a global innovation leader in science and engineering, and to ensure Ireland plays its part in addressing the complex challenges that face our society. The insights of research, and the energy of innovation, can help us shape a future that is healthier, more equal and inclusive, and sustainable. I look forward to working with the Board, colleagues in SFI and other research and enterprise agencies, and our research, higher education, enterprise, public sector and civil society partners towards this ambitious goal."

The Chairman of SFI, Peter Clinch, also paid tribute to the contribution of outgoing Director General, **Professor Mark Ferguson**. "Over his 10-year term, Mark has led SFI out of the economic crisis and to great heights. He has been a strong advocate for the importance of investment in science as a key building block of Ireland's economy and its importance for addressing major societal challenges such as Covid-19 and climate change. His commitment to excellence, combined with his innovative approach to funding programmes, has greatly advanced SFI's and Ireland's international reputation in research and the funding of science. Mark will complete his second term as Director General in mid-January 2022 and the Board and I wish him every success in his future endeavours."

Professor Philip Nolan

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IDA Ireland unveils new brand that embodies organisation's dynamism and strategic vision

8 November



CEO of IDA Ireland, Michael Lohan

- **New brand reflective of IDA Ireland's commitment to global and national partnerships in a digital age**
- **Embodies digitalisation, innovation, connectivity and a contemporary Ireland**

IDA Ireland today unveiled a new corporate identity that reflects the organisation's steadfast commitment to its partnerships with multinational clients and national stakeholders. The new brand also represents Ireland's transformation to a proven location enabling high value manufacturing, research, innovation, and global business services.

This is the first rebrand undertaken by IDA Ireland in over 40 years. Since the last rebrand in 1980, there have been dramatic shifts in the world of business. The new brand has been designed to better reflect the digitally advanced landscape in which IDA Ireland now operates and to represent a contemporary Ireland positioned for a digital age. This is captured in IDA Ireland's new corporate logo and new corporate tagline.

Corporate logo

The new IDA Ireland logomark, a trinity of dots, pays homage to the iconic shamrock signifying the unique partnership between IDA Ireland, national stakeholders and global companies who collaborate to drive competitiveness, innovation, sustainability, and digitalisation on a global scale.

This new branding embodies the importance of IDA Ireland's relationships in attracting cutting-edge investments into Ireland and empowering client companies to thrive, evolve, digitally transform, and

contribute sustainably to Irish society.

The vibrant green colour of the logomark and the bespoke typeface are designed to exude confidence with a nod to Irish personality and to distinguish IDA Ireland in the marketplace.

Digital innovation has dramatically changed the means through which IDA Ireland communicates with its audiences. The new branding has been designed for optimal use across digital communications channels to help more effectively position IDA Ireland within the fiercely competitive marketplace for foreign direct investment.

Invest in Extraordinary

At the heart of the new IDA Ireland identity lies the powerful tagline, “Invest in Extraordinary.” Ireland is consistently one of the most attractive destinations for foreign direct investment (FDI) with the highest FDI per head of population in Europe.

With almost 1,800 IDA Ireland clients already committed to Ireland, successfully growing and scaling their international business, the concept of investing in the extraordinary conveys this success and ambition. It also underscores the important contribution that global companies make to the Irish economy.

Commenting on the brand launch **CEO of IDA Ireland, Michael Lohan, said:** “I am delighted to launch this exciting new brand for IDA Ireland. This modern take will ensure that IDA Ireland and indeed, Ireland, stand out in the increasingly competitive global environment for foreign direct investment. The new identity is synonymous with the vibrant, innovative country we represent. It symbolises a contemporary, multicultural Ireland, with a thriving dynamic workforce. Our new brand is a positive development, as it not only reflects our proud heritage of more than 70 years securing FDI, but more importantly, it asserts our ongoing commitment to transforming for the future.”



How Ireland is Becoming a leader in Renewable Energy Technology



From high tides and strong winds to a government that is strongly supportive of foreign investment and startups, Ireland is at the forefront of Europe’s renewables revolution. And Japanese companies are keen to engage.

Perched on Europe’s western fringe, with strong prevailing winds blowing in from the Atlantic Ocean, Ireland is better placed than most countries to generate energy from wind power. What’s more, its strong track record of encouraging startups and attracting foreign investment means it is developing the underlying technology to exploit that potential to the fullest.

The country plans to generate up to 80% of its electricity from renewable sources by 2030, as specified by its Climate Action Plan 2023, updated in December last year. With 9GW to come from onshore wind resources and at least 5GW from offshore wind, the strategy also envisages some 8GW from solar power by the end of the decade. These plans should help the country meet its targets to cut carbon emissions by 51% by the end of the decade and to reach net-zero carbon emissions no later than 2050, as set out in the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act, signed into law in July 2021.

The ambitious targets also represent a large business opportunity, which government bodies are keen to support. “IDA Ireland is encouraging companies that are active in the green sector to establish onshore and offshore wind farms, solar power farms, energy storage (battery) facilities and the wider peripheral infrastructures,” says Derek Fitzgerald, director of the IDA’s Japan office.

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An immune protein stops ovarian cancer growth, study suggests

The pre-clinical models suggest a certain protein is able to directly kill tumour cells and tell other immune cells to prevent the cancer from spreading around the body.

A new study suggests a certain protein in our immune system is able to stop the spread of ovarian cancer cells.

The research looked at high-grade serous ovarian carcinoma, a particularly dangerous and complex form of ovarian cancer.

It is believed to be the most common form of ovarian cancer, but it also has a low survival rate. Patients are usually not diagnosed until later stages, when the disease has metastasised – spread to other parts of the body. Roughly 400 women are diagnosed with ovarian cancer every year in Ireland.

To find preventions and cures for this form of cancer, a research team co-led by Trinity College Dublin researcher Dr Nollaig Bourke looked at ‘interferon epsilon’, a type of protein found in the immune system.

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Meissner Celebrates Official Opening of Manufacturing Facility in Castlebar, Ireland



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globally and supports clients worldwide. Meissner’s product portfolio enables the development and manufacture of critical medicines in therapeutic areas such as oncology, cardiology and immunology. The company recently played a leading role in the industry’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, providing critical products that enabled the development, manufacture, and distribution of numerous lifesaving therapeutics and vaccines. This project is supported by the Irish Government through IDA Ireland.

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Intel's €17bn Leixlip facility hits chip production milestone

4 September

Intel said Fab 34 began running a 'First Full Loop' of silicon, which means the site can now focus on producing Intel's latest line of processors later this year.

Intel has reached an important milestone in its Fab 34 facility, bringing it one step closer to producing the company's latest semiconductors.

The new facility has begun running its "First Full Loop" of silicon this month, which means the facility managed to run silicon wafers from start to finish through the process steps in the cleanroom.

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MSD Ireland announces official opening of new facilities in Dunbooyne and Carlow

12 September



Taoiseach Leo Varadkar; Executive Vice President of MSD and President of Manufacturing Division Sanat Chattopadhyay; Michael Kress, Senior Vice President Development Sciences and Clinical Supply; MSD

- Significant expansion of Ireland footprint with over €1 billion invested across two facilities.
- New facilities have led to the creation of 670 highly skilled jobs across MSD's Irish network with over 100 open jobs.

MSD Ireland, one of the country's leading healthcare companies, has today announced the official opening of a new, state-of-the-art site in Meath in addition to a significant expansion at its Carlow site. The projects represent a recent investment of over €1 billion across both facilities.

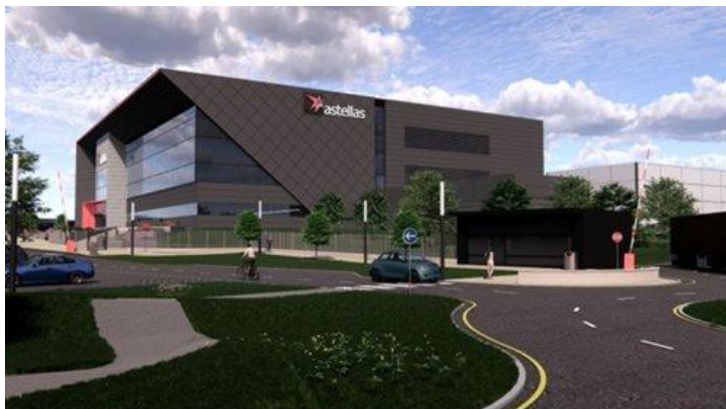
The expansion projects have led to the creation of 670 new jobs across both sites, further building on the company's successful recruitment drive in recent years and bringing total employee numbers in Ireland to over 3,100 people. Active recruitment is currently ongoing for over 100 jobs, offering a wide range of important roles in engineering, science, manufacturing operations, quality and more.

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Astellas to Invest more than €330 Million in a New State-of-the-Art Facility in Tralee, Co. Kerry. Ireland

14 September



Astellas Pharma Inc. (TSE: 4503, President and CEO: Naoki Okamura, “Astellas”) today announced its intention to submit a planning application to build a new state-of-the-art facility, at an approximate cost of €330 million in Tralee, Co. Kerry.

This investment by Astellas in Ireland will expand our capacity and capabilities for aseptic drug products, reinforce stable

production for global supply and accelerate the development and commercialization of innovative antibody drugs and other new products.

Speaking of the announcement, Minister Simon Coveney TD said, “I very much welcome Astellas’ decision to build a new cutting-edge facility in Tralee. The substantial investment it will bring, coupled with the promise of highly specialised engineering, science and technology jobs, is of great importance for the southwest region. Astellas’ commitment to aligning the new facility with their ambitious sustainability targets and values, incorporating the highest national and international best practice in energy and environmental design, is commendable. It is also fully in keeping with the Government’s commitment to decarbonise our economy and society, as outlined in our White Paper on Enterprise 2022-30. I wish Astellas every success as they embark on this transformative project.”

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BT Young Scientist winners score second prize at EU contest

18 September



Liam Carew and Shane O'Connor

Shane O'Connor and Liam Carew were awarded second place at the EU Contest for Young Scientists, for their insightful project that surveyed 2,000 Irish students.

The overall winners of the 2023 BT Young Scientist and Technology Exhibition (BTYSTE) have been recognised at one of the largest science fairs in the world.

Shane O'Connor and Liam Carew were awarded second place at this year's EU Contest for Young Scientists (EUCYS) for their project, in a competition against more than 130 young scientists from 36 countries.

O'Connor and Carew, former students from The Abbey School in Tipperary, were noticed by the judging panel for their project titled: 'Assessing the impact of second-level education on key aspects of adolescents' life and development'.

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Thermo Fisher Scientific doubles Cork laboratory capacity to help develop new medicines

23 October



Thermo Fisher Scientific today officially opened an expanded laboratory at its Cork campus, effectively doubling its capacity that customers can access to develop medicines for cancer, lupus, diabetes, and psoriasis, among other illnesses.

The expanded Scale-Up Laboratory is the latest aspect of expansion at the company's active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) facility since 2019. There's been a five-fold increase in clinical manufacturing capacity and the site has gained more than 20 global pharmaceutical and biotech customers in recent years.

The research and development centre of excellence was officially opened by Simon Coveney TD, Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

Minister Coveney said: "Thermo Fisher's investment in this cutting-edge laboratory underscores the innovation and collaborative spirit that drives Ireland's research and development sector. This facility will undoubtedly further position Ireland as a hub for pharmaceutical and manufacturing excellence."

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This project is supported by the Irish Government through IDA Ireland.

Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Simon Coveney TD said: “I am delighted to congratulate Meissner Corporation on the opening of their manufacturing facility in Castlebar. Since production commenced, the Mayo facility has been providing global clients with essential pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical products, including playing such an important role in the fight against Covid. The West Region has become a hub for leading biopharma companies and Meissner opening their first facility outside the US, in Castlebar, truly is a vote of confidence to the West, and our talented workforce. Thanks to Meissner Corporation for choosing Castlebar, and I wish them continued success in Ireland.”

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IDA Ireland Announces Appointment of new CEO – Michael Lohan

21 March 2023



The Board of IDA Ireland, the foreign direct investment (FDI) agency of the Irish Government, is pleased to announce the appointment of Michael Lohan to the role of CEO IDA Ireland.

Mr Lohan is currently IDA Global Head of Life Sciences and Talent Transformation and Innovation Departments and is a member of the organisation’s Executive Leadership team. He will take up his new role on 17th April 2023.

Commenting on the appointment, IDA Chairman Frank Ryan said, “Michael Lohan was selected from a strong field of candidates, both internal and external, following a rigorous recruitment process. The Board is confident that Michael has the required experience to lead IDA in the ongoing implementation of our current strategy and on the future development of the organisation. He will continue to lead IDA in the attraction of foreign direct investment to Ireland and the winning of investments for regional locations.

“Michael will also work in close cooperation with the Department of Enterprise Trade and Employment to drive the transformation agenda with client companies in the areas of advance manufacturing, sustainability, digitisation, and increasing the level of research and development undertaken by overseas companies in Ireland. I wish Michael all the best in his new role and have every confidence the organisation will prosper under his leadership”.

IDA Ireland has enjoyed strong results over the last number of years, despite the challenges brought by the difficult global economic environment, and there are now over 300,000 people working for circa 1,800 foreign companies based in Ireland, the highest level ever recorded.

Concluding Frank Ryan said, “On behalf of the Board I want to thank Mary Buckley, who stepped into the role of Interim CEO last October, for her excellent leadership and strong contribution to the IDA during this transition period’.

Mary Buckley will continue as Interim CEO until 16th April 2023, at which time she will revert to her role as Executive Director, IDA Ireland.



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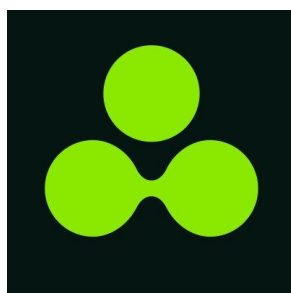
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Michael Lohan who was officially appointed as our new CEO on the 17th of April shares his top three priorities for 2023, why Ireland is a proven location for #FDI, and of course, how he feels about taking up the new role as CEO of IDA Ireland.



Watch Video here: <https://youtu.be/LVZzyf3SM1I>

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Enterprise Ireland Updates & Reports

Enterprise Ireland Celebrates 25 Years

This month, we marked a significant milestone in our agency's history as we celebrated our 25th anniversary at the Enterprise Ireland Summit. The celebrations took place from the 17th to the 21st of April. The [Enterprise Ireland A/NZ](#) team travelled back to Ireland for a week of events, including launching our new company logo and branding, our 2022 Annual Business Results, and the Meet the Markets Event.



The highlight of the week was the Enterprise Ireland Summit on the 19th of April, where over 800 businesspeople, investors, and other stakeholders from the [Enterprise Ireland](#) network gathered to celebrate the achievements of Irish indigenous industry over the past 25 years and to plan the next steps of their internationalisation journey.

Other events included the Meet the Markets Event and Start Up Showcase. During the Meet the Markets Event the [Enterprise Ireland A/NZ](#) team and our colleagues conducted hundreds of face-to-face meetings with clients to discuss their future growth ambitions. On the 18th of April, the 600-strong audience at the Start-Up Showcase heard insights from successful company founders on how they overcame challenges and achieved their growth ambitions.

During the [Enterprise Ireland](#) Summit, our CEO [Leo Clancy](#) announced our Annual Business Results for 2022. Exports from [Enterprise Ireland](#)-backed client companies increased by 19% to a record €32.1 bn. Exports to the Asia-Pac region increased by 11% to €2.37 bn. These achievements are a testament to the resilience and determination of our client companies.

The week-long celebration of Irish enterprise culminated with the Business Leaders Conference, where the audience heard inspiring stories from Irish companies on what they have achieved, how they scaled their businesses, and where the opportunities and challenges lie ahead within the international environment.



We are proud of our achievements in the past 25 years and are committed to helping Irish companies succeed globally. We look forward to sharing more updates with you in the future. Thank you for your continued support!

Minister Coveney announces €16.5m capital investment in equipment for industry research

20 November

Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Simon Coveney T.D. has announced the successful applicants to the 2023 Capital Equipment Fund administered by Enterprise Ireland through the Technology Gateway and Technology Centre Programmes.

48 successful projects from across the third-level sector have secured €16.5m in funding to assist them in purchasing world-leading research equipment that will serve the research, development and innovation (RD&I) needs of Irish industry.

The funding will provide companies with access to both established and leading-edge equipment hosted by Technology Gateways and Technology Centres across Ireland.

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NovaUCD-supported companies plan to create 1,100 jobs and raise €290 million over the next two years

18 October

- **Minister Richmond TD launches NovaUCD 20-Year Anniversary Report**
- **Over 550 companies and early-stage ventures supported since 2003**
- **NovaUCD entrepreneurial community raised €1.3+ billion in equity funding**

Minister of State for Business, Employment and Retail, Neale Richmond TD today officially launched a new report, entitled [NovaUCD Ideas to Impact Since 2003](#). The report highlights the economic and societal impact of NovaUCD and marks the 20th anniversary of the official opening of the hub of innovation and start-up activities at University College Dublin (UCD).

Since 2003, UCD has supported 550+ companies and early-stage ventures through the services and supports provided across the University by NovaUCD, and through business support programmes run and managed by NovaUCD. In addition, the NovaUCD entrepreneurial community has raised €1.3+ billion in equity funding over the last 20 years.

NovaUCD is currently supporting 70+ start-ups and established companies to grow and scale on the national and global stage. Based on the results of a short survey these companies collectively plan to create over 1,100 jobs and raise over €290 million in funding during the next 2 years.

Minister Neale Richmond TD said, *“Innovation opens the door to future growth, future prosperity and future jobs and I am delighted to be here to see first-hand the impact NovaUCD has had on start-ups, both today and over the last 20 years. Start-ups are the life blood of the Irish economy and the report clearly demonstrates UCD’s leadership role in supporting entrepreneurs and their contribution to economic and social development.*

Over the past twenty years, NovaUCD has supported over 550 companies, raising over €1.3 billion in funding and I look forward to seeing what the future holds. Government will continue to

Read more here:

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Enterprise Ireland clients sign deals and partnerships valued at over €15 million during Enterprise Ireland Trade Mission to the US

18 October

- **Oneview Healthcare and Prodieco sign deals with major healthcare leaders in the US**
- **US Food Ingredients company Socius Ingredients announces R&D investment in Cork**

Wednesday 18th October 2023: Enterprise Ireland client companies including, Oneview Healthcare, Prodieco, and MagrowTec today signed significant deals valued at over €15 million with US partners during Enterprise Ireland's trade mission to the USA this week.

Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Simon Coveney T.D. is leading the joint Enterprise Ireland and IDA Ireland Trade Mission to Illinois, Indianapolis and Michigan this week, to boost trade relationships with key IDA client companies and promote world class Irish companies in the Mid-West region.

With Illinois being a major medtech hub in the US and representing significant collaboration opportunities for Irish medtech, pharmaceuticals, and healthcare companies, Enterprise Ireland companies announce significant new deals and partnerships with US healthcare leaders in the region, including:

- Connected bedside technology company, **Oneview Healthcare** signed a multi-year deal with Baxter International, the largest hospital bed supplier in the US. Baxter will work with Oneview to provide their connected bedside technology (which connects patients to nurses, meal services, medical records, and in-room systems) to the company's current US customer base.
- **Prodieco**, a leading precision engineering company, who have grown to be the world's largest independent suppliers of tooling change parts for the blister packaging industry, have announced a multi-million euro deal with Zoetis, the world's largest animal health company, as part of the global rollout of Apoquel ® Chewable. Prodieco have previously partnered with Zoetis on the global launches of Simparica & Simparica Trio.
- **Aerogen**, a world leader in acute care aerosol drug delivery, celebrated its expanding partnership with Rush Hospital, based in Illinois. Aerogen has worked with Rush Hospital over the last five years to integrate its respiratory devices, work with its clinical team, and provide better patient care for those struggling with respiratory illness.

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Sinéad Crowther of Soothing Solutions announced as HPSU 'Founder of the Year 2023' at Enterprise Ireland awards

12 October

Sinéad Crowther, Founder and CEO of Soothing Solutions, was named the Enterprise Ireland High-Potential Start-Up (HPSU) Founder of the Year for 2023 at an awards event at the Gibson Hotel, Dublin, last night.

Founded in 2017, Louth-based healthcare firm Soothing Solutions manufactures a range of honey jelly pops called Tonstix aimed at providing a children's alternative to lozenges.

Crowther had previously worked as a pharmaceutical technician and had noticed a gap in the market for products to help children suffering from sore throats and coughs. It was early in the journey on Enterprise Ireland's New Frontiers programme in Dundalk Institute of Technology (DkIT) when Sinéad met her co-founder, Denise Lauaki.

Tonstix products are now stocked in more than 1,400 pharmacies across Ireland, and recently launched on Amazon UK.

The Enterprise Ireland Founder of the Year Awards acknowledge and celebrate the commitment that entrepreneurs and start-ups have made to build world-class companies of the future. There were 11 nominees for the 2023 award, all of whom were voted for by their peers who have been taking part in Enterprise Ireland's High Potential Start-Up (HPSU) Founders Forum over the last 24 months.

Other finalists included: Brendan Staunton of Amara Therapeutics, Brian Kenneally of Bundledocs, David Duffy of The Corporate Governance Institute, Patrick McDermott of DigiTally, Jonathan Bouchier-Hayes of Endowave, Darren Sexton of GuardYoo, Kate Scott of Holotoyz, Liam Dunne of Klearcom, Evelyn Kelly of Orphan Drug Consulting, and Eamonn Costello of Patientmpower.

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Inishowen Innovation: A New Era of Disruptive Technological Innovation and Growth

5 October

Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine of Ireland, Charlie McConalogue TD, today officially opened the Inishowen Innovation hub, in Buncrana.

Inishowen Innovation represents a significant milestone towards fostering disruptive technological advancement, entrepreneurship and economic development in the Inishowen Peninsula, and wider North-West Ireland City Region. The state-of-the-art 700sqm space for start-up and scaling disruptive technology businesses, features gigabit fibre broadband provided by Vodafone and SIRO, along with office space, co-working spaces, meeting rooms, conference facilities, and access to essential tools and technologies. It is co-funded by Donegal County Council and the Regional Enterprise Development Fund (REDF), made available by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment and administered by Enterprise Ireland.

Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Charlie McConalogue TD stated: *“It is my honour to formally open the Inishowen Innovation Hub in Buncrana today. This hub will be a game changer for Buncrana, Inishowen and the North West and will help current businesses and new businesses flourish in the area. My thanks to all those involved for their hard work in making this day happen.”*

Inishowen Innovation will serve as a dynamic centre for collaboration, creativity, and growth where digital startups and tech entrepreneurs are given the support, they need to harness their innovative ideas and drive positive change in the region. It also meets the demand for remote working space and offers a satellite location for global companies looking for a European base. It is already home to 25 clients and is a testament to the Irish governments commitment to creating opportunities for aspiring entrepreneurs to grow and innovate.

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GrassMax is named as the overall winner of EI Innovation Arena Awards 2023

19 September

- **Winners announced of the 2023 Enterprise Ireland Innovation Arena Awards**
- **Simon Coveney TD, Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, attended the official awards ceremony at the National Ploughing Championships**
- **Over 40 international buyers from 10 countries are due to visit the Innovation Arena this week**
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The world's first temperate climate grassland management tool, GrassMax, has been named as the overall winner at this year's Enterprise Ireland Innovation Arena Awards.

The winners of the Innovation Arena competition, hosted by Enterprise Ireland in association with the National Ploughing Association, were announced at an awards ceremony attended by Simon Coveney TD, Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, at the opening day of the National Ploughing Championships in Ratheniska, Co Laois, this afternoon.

Enterprise Ireland's Innovation Arena is an annual must-see exhibition platform, and the competition recognises innovative and cutting-edge products and services from agritech entrepreneurs who are delivering forward-thinking solutions to address some of the toughest global challenges.

The awards ceremony this afternoon, which was also attended by Leo Clancy, CEO, Enterprise Ireland, and Anna May McHugh, Managing Director, National Ploughing Association, saw GrassMax win the overall award in this year's competition, the prize for Established Innovator of the Year.

The Dublin-based company and its product GrassMax App, combines advanced modelling techniques with remote sensing data to provide a suite of easy-to-use bespoke nutrient and grass management decision-support tools, including satellite-based grassland growth yield measurement. The aim of GrassMax is to remove the need for farmers to routinely walk their grass paddocks, optimise soil fertility and deliver verified enhancements in crop performance and resource use efficiency.

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KTI publishes results of its Annual Knowledge Transfer Survey

24 August

The [Annual Knowledge Transfer Survey](#), a comprehensive report on knowledge transfer activities in Ireland, has today published its findings for the year 2022. The survey which collects data from Ireland's Higher Education Institutes including eight Universities, five Technological Universities, two Institutes of Technology and two Colleges, also incorporates contributions from Teagasc, the Marine Institute and Irish Manufacturing Research (IMR).

Collaborative research projects between companies and Research Performing Organisations (RPOs) continues to be important for business. In 2022, a total of 1,179 R&D agreements were signed with companies ranging from small projects to larger scale research initiatives. There were 1,317 research projects live and ongoing between industry and RPOs by year end.

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