



FLUOR21 ITN Bulletin No.7 March 2017

Dear *FLUOR21 ITN* members,

We hope that you all had a good start to 2017!

This is our seventh Bulletin, and the first of 2017, to keep you informed of upcoming events and the process of the Network. We will also update the website (<http://www.fluor21.eu/>) with Network information and news so please send any news highlights for inclusion on the FLUOR21 webpage to Na Li (na.li@ucd.ie).

FLUOR21 Highlights

- Dr Petr Beier (Prague) has been awarded the RSC Fluorine Chemistry Group Prize for outstanding contributions to Fluorine chemistry research by a chemist under the age of 40. Many congratulations Petr on this well deserved award.
- The latest results of Dr. Petr Beier's group appeared in a feature article in C&En News. Details are provided [here](#). Congratulations to their success!
- ESR Javier Ajenjo received a poster award at the 23rd Winter Fluorine Conference, Clearwater Beach, Florida, USA, January 15th-20th, 2017. His poster title is '*Improving access to aromatic sulfur pentafluorides by direct fluorination of disulfides*'. Well done, Javier!
- Dr. Steven Cobb and ESR Diana Gimenez-Ibanez have been granted user access to the facilities of The Molecular Foundry (Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, CA, USA) after submitting a peer-review proposal through the user program. They will collaborate with Professor Ronald Zuckermann on the research project "The Application of Fluorine as a Tool to Modulate Peptoid Conformation". Diana will visit the Berkeley Labs during April-May, carrying out peptoid synthesis for their structural characterization and biological evaluation. Congratulations to Steven and Diana!

FLUOR21 Reporting

We just submitted another reporting milestone – the Progress Report on the project lifecycle (M25-36) to the EU. The next and last reporting is the Final report of FLUOR 21, which is due in March 2018.

FLUOR21 INT 3rd AGM and 3rd Transferable Skills Workshop, 7-9 June

FLUOR21 ITN 3rd AGM and 3rd Transferable Skills Workshop Event, June 2017, Gothenburg, Sweden

AGM & Transferable Skills Workshop Event details to follow soon.

All ESRs and ERs are contractually obliged to participate in the AGM.

Upcoming events are also highlighted on the webpage - <http://www.fluor21.eu/newsandevents.html>

Network Events: Review

FLUOR21 ITN 2nd AGM & Symposium, 23rd – 25th November, Berlin, Germany

Our 2nd AGM took place at the end of November in FUB, Berlin, Germany. The AGM was followed by a joint symposium with the 'Fluorine as a Key Element' Network. All ESRs/ERs gave presentations to the members of both Networks and it was excellent to see how the team's scientific achievements and presentation skills have developed and improved over the past 2 years.



Network administration

Na Li (na.li@ucd.ie), our research administrator, is based in University College Dublin. If you have any queries regarding the project, please feel free to contact her.

Best wishes
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