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## FLUOR21 ITN Bulletin No.2

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Dear *FLUOR21 ITN* members,

We hope that you are all well and looking forward to the Christmas break.

This is the second of our monthly Bulletins to keep you informed of upcoming events and the progress of the Network. We will also update all information onto the website (<http://www.fluor21.eu/>) so please send any news highlights for inclusion on the FLUOR21 webpage to Dr Steven Cobb ([s.l.cobb@durham.ac.uk](mailto:s.l.cobb@durham.ac.uk)).

### Welcome

Ms. Anna Sadurni ([anna.sp891@gmail.com](mailto:anna.sp891@gmail.com)) has joined the FLUOR21 Network (December 1<sup>st</sup>) as an ESR in the Gilmour laboratory in Munster. We wish Anna a very warm welcome to the ITN and you will all get the chance to meet her in person in Prague in Jan 2015 at the next Training event.

### Network Events

Our first Transferable Skills Workshop was held in Lumley Castle near Durham (Nov 2014). This event was attended by all of the FLUOR21 ESRs and another 30 ESRs from four other ITN networks (Notedev, NanoEmbrace, Molesco and Micsed) that are coordinated from Durham University.



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The next events in the ITN calendar are:

**FLUOR21 ITN 1st Research Training Meeting : Fluorination Strategies (Part 1)  
27th – 31st January 2015, Prague, Czech Republic**

All ESRs must participate in this event and all supervisors and industrial contacts are very welcome attend.

The Training workshop will consist of a series of lectures by all ESRs and invited lectures by Prof David O'Hagan (Enzymatic fluorination, St Andrews University, UK), Dr Laurent Knerr (Applications to pharmaceutical synthesis of current drug systems AstraZeneca, Sweden) and Dr. Sergio Dall'Angelo (PET techniques, Aberdeen University, UK).

**Objectives** : C-F Bond forming reactions: nucleophilic and electrophilic fluorinating reagents, enzymatic fluorination, techniques, skills, equipment, safe handling, scope of processes. Case studies of applications to pharmaceutical synthesis of current drug systems. Applications to PET.

**FLUOR21 2<sup>nd</sup> Research Training Meeting and RSC Fluorine Subject Group Postgraduate Symposium  
14th – 18th April 2015, Durham University – Details to follow soon.**

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

**Network administration**

We are still in the process of replacing Katie Killeen (Admin Dublin) so at present if you have questions please direct them to either:

Dr Cormac Murphy ([Cormac.d.murphy@ucd.ie](mailto:Cormac.d.murphy@ucd.ie)) – Career Development Plans (CDPs).

Dr Steven Cobb ([s.l.cobb@durham.ac.uk](mailto:s.l.cobb@durham.ac.uk)) – general questions, financial queries and network webpage.

Best wishes

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