



## FLUOR21 ITN Bulletin No.6 November 2016

Dear *FLUOR21 ITN* members,

We are now well into the second half of the Network timeline and we are publishing our sixth Network Bulletin to inform you of progress and events in the Network. We will continue to 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 Ms. Na Li ([na.li@ucd.ie](mailto:na.li@ucd.ie)).

### Updates of Network members

Dr. Jorg de Ruijter ([jorg.deruijter@almacgroup.com](mailto:jorg.deruijter@almacgroup.com)) joined the FLUOR21 Network on September 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 as an ER with our industry partner, ALMAC. We wish Jorg a very warm welcome to the ITN.

As you already know, Mr. Dave Manley has left the Network to take up a position in the process chemistry group at GSK Pharmaceuticals in Stevenage, UK. Dave made a valuable contribution to the Network and his expertise and knowledge will be missed. We wish him all the best in his new position.

We welcome Mr. Mickael Muselli ([mickael.muselli@gmail.com](mailto:mickael.muselli@gmail.com)) who has joined the Network as an ESR in Prague.

### FLUOR21 Reporting

Our Periodic and Financial Reports are under review by the EU. We received some feedback on financial points in June that we addressed and we expect to have a positive outcome to this reporting milestone in the coming weeks. We will have another new Project Officer overseeing the Network beginning in January 2017 and a new Financial Officer.

### FLUOR21 ITN 2<sup>nd</sup> AGM & GRK1582, 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> November

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> AGM is scheduled to take place in FUB, Berlin, Germany on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016. We will combine this AGM with a GRK1582 (Fluorine as a Key Element group at FUB, Berlin) event which will take place at the same time in Berlin (November 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>). We thank Prof Beate Kokschi and Dr Carsten Mueller for arranging the accommodation and the programme.

#### FLUOR21 ITN 2<sup>nd</sup> AGM & GRK1582 Event, November 2016, Berlin, Germany

AGM & Joint Symposium. each ESR/ER to present a 15 minute lecture to the members of the Fluor21 and GRK1582 Networks giving an overview of their research.

***All PIs, 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

### Secondments

We are delighted to note that the first round of secondments are by now well underway. These placements have provided ESRs with an opportunity to experience different research environments, approaches and styles.

| Name                     | Home Institution | Secondment Institution | Period                                | Title                                                                               |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Ms. Andrea Rodil Garcia  | USTAN            | UCD                    | June 2016 to July 2016                | Biotransformations of fluorinated compounds by fungus <i>Cunninghamella elegans</i> |
| Mr. Etienne Lisse        | UDUR             | UOCHB                  | August 2016 to September 2016         | Screening of S <sub>N</sub> Ar-VNS reactions on fluorinated dicarbonyl systems      |
| Mr. William Palmer Brown | UCD              | ALMAC                  | September 2016 to Mid November 2016   | P450 technology and scale-up                                                        |
| Mr. Javier Ajenjo        | UOCHB            | UDUR                   | tbc                                   | Direct Fluorination                                                                 |
| Ms. Rita Fernandes       | FUB              | UNIVIE                 | October 2016 to November 2016         | Incorporation of fluorinated amino acids into a protein                             |
| Ms. Diana Giminez        | UDUR             | WWU                    | Mid October 2016 to Mid November 2016 | Fluorinated biologically active systems                                             |
| Ms. Marta Saccamanno     | UCD              | UNIVIE                 | November 2016 to December 2016        | Fluorinated aromatics biodegradation                                                |
| Mr. Mate Somlyay         | UNIVIE           | UDUR                   | January 2017 to March 2017            | Synthesis of fluorinated probes                                                     |
| Dr. Tom Cogswell         | AZ               | tbc                    | tbc                                   | tbc                                                                                 |
| Ms. Anna Sadurni         | WWU              | AZ                     | tbc                                   | tbc                                                                                 |

Dr. Jorg de Ruijter and Mr. Mickael Muselli will carry out their secondments in summer 2017.

## **Network administration**

Our Network Administrator, Ms. Beth Corcoran, has moved on to another position in University College Dublin. She has been with the team since March 2015 and thoroughly enjoyed working with you all! More recently, Ms. Na Li ([na.li@ucd.ie](mailto:na.li@ucd.ie)) has been employed as our research administrator and is based in University College Dublin. If you have any queries regarding the project, please feel free to contact her. We would like to take the opportunity to thank Beth for her careful work during the recent years, and welcome Ms. Na Li in her new position.

Best wishes

Professor Graham Sandford  
(Fluor21 ITN Coordinator)