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### SCI Welcomes Joanne Lyall as its new Executive Director

SCI is pleased to announce the appointment of Joanne Lyall as its Executive Director, commencing 21 June 2010.



Joanne Lyall

Ms Lyall's previous experience includes three years as Director of Business Growth for the regeneration and inward investment agency, Park Royal Partnership, where she integrated business operations, developed partnerships with public and private sector organisations to increase leverage and funding, and increased membership numbers. Ms Lyall's career has also seen her hold the role of New Zealand Trade Commissioner to the UK and Ireland.

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### Upcoming Events:

### Member News

### Attend SCI's AGM on 7th July 2010



[Introduction to Drug Discovery Chemistry](#)  
31 June, University of Leeds

SCI's 129th Annual General Meeting will take place on the 7th of July 2010 in Belgrave Square.

The programme for this year's event will include the presentation of Distinguished Service Awards, where the contributions made to the Society by [Andrew Rous](#) and [Jasbir Lota](#) will be celebrated by all attendees. We will also learn about the outcomes of the doctoral research being conducted by SCI's [scholars](#), [Simon Beaumont](#), [Fionn O'Hara](#), and [Claire Stanley](#). First year scholars will also be presenting posters of their current research.



[SCI BioResources Young Researchers 2010](#)  
30 June, University of Reading

Members should note that the AGM itself will commence at 16:30, with registration open from 14:00.

Your vote is very important to the Society and we would like to encourage all members to join us at the AGM. If you are unable to come to Belgrave Square, we would encourage you to vote by post or by nominating a proxy.



Please [click here](#) for the full programme and Postal Voting and Appointment of Proxy form.

Proceedings will be followed by a buffet dinner and a drinks reception, which will allow plenty of time for networking, meeting fellow members, and

[Visit to Bournemouth Parks and Nursery](#)

01 July, Bournemouth

catching up with old friends. We look forward to seeing you!

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## Regional Groups

### Thames & Kennet Group



This month, the Thames and Kennet Group hosted a visit to Diamond Light Source, the UK's national synchrotron facility.

[Supply Chain Communications: REACH and CLP Regulations, Part 2](#)  
06 July, Belgrave Sq., London

Diamond Light Source generates brilliant beams of light, from infra-red to X-rays. These are used in a wide range of applications, from structural biology through fundamental physics and chemistry to cultural heritage. Most of the experiments at Diamond use X-rays that are 100 billion times brighter than a standard laboratory X-ray tube. Researchers use this intense synchrotron light to study a wide range of biological, chemical and material samples at the atomic and molecular level.

[Read More about this event](#)



[Macro 2010](#)  
11 July, Glasgow

## Technical Interest Groups

### Food Commodities and Ingredients Group



[BS 10175 'Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Sites - Code of Practice'](#)  
14 July, Belgrave Sq., London

'Ask A Food Scientist 2010' followed Food Safety Week from 7 – 13 June 2010. Food scientists from the Food Commodities and Ingredients Group have taken questions from SCI members and the general public on subjects ranging from cooking and nutrition, to vegetarianism and food safety, and provided very informative answers to their queries.

[Read the Q&A](#)



[Walking Tour of Cambridge](#)  
09 September, Cambridge

### Horticulture Group

On the 10th of June, after a typical cold, grey English summer week, the sun came out to welcome the SCI Horticulture Group to the University of Oxford Botanic Garden. The garden occupies an enviable position at the end of High Street, opposite Magdalen College and with the gentle waters of the River Cherwell flowing round two sides.



[A Celebration of Organic Chemistry](#)  
13 September, GSK Stevenage

The formal welcome was given by the group's guide for the day, Dr Alison Foster, Glasshouse Horticulturalist, University of Oxford Botanic Garden. Dr Foster described the garden's history and its plants. A chemist by training, she picked out the plants from which some familiar and not so familiar drugs have been isolated. For example, she stopped beside a 300 year old yew tree to talk about the breast cancer drug Taxol, which was originally derived from yew trees and can only be dissolved in another plant extract (Cremophor, from the castor oil plant).

[Read more about this visit](#)

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## AGMs

SCI's **Process Engineering Group** will be meeting on 25 June for their AGM

SCI groups to learn about [Details of the event](#)  
new developments in  
their areas of expertise  
and related industries:

SCI's **Thames & Kennet Group** will be meeting on 06 July for their AGM

[Details of the event](#)

[Horticulture](#)

SCI's **AGM** will take place on 07 July.

[Details of the event](#)

SCI's **Macro Group** will be meeting on 12 July for their AGM.

[Details of the event](#)

SCI's **Lipids Group** will be meeting on 15 July for their AGM.

[Details of the event](#)

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[Game on: World cup materials](#)

## Showcase



**Symposium Honours Michael Elliott**

Michael Elliott, CBE, DSc, FRS (1924-2007), the principal chemist responsible for discovery and development of the pyrethroid insecticides, saw the importance of chemistry in contributing to the doubling of the world food supply required in the coming century. To highlight his contribution and examine new aspects of pesticide science, the SCI's BioResources Group held a symposium entitled 'Future prospects for chemical insecticides: A symposium for Michael Elliott' at the site of Elliott's former laboratory at Rothamsted Research.

[Read more about the Bioresources Group's activities](#)

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