Challenges in Catalysis for Pharmaceuticals and Fine Chemicals

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	09:15	Registration, posters and coffee
	10:00	Introduction and welcome Prof Frank King , RSC Applied Catalysis Group, UK
	10:05	Key process and green chemistry research areas. A perspective from pharmaceutical manufacturers Dr Peter Dunn, Pfizer UK
	10:50	Asymmetric hydrogenation. Unmet needs for fine chemicals Prof Dr. Johannes G. de Vries, DSM Pharmaceutical Products & University of Groningen, The Netherlands
	Catalytic aromatic C-H activation - from new reactions to industrial implications Dr Robin Bedford, University of Bristol	
	12:20	Lunch & posters
	Sessior	n Chairman: Dr Fred Hancock , Johnson Matthey, UK
	13:25	Exploiting hydroformylation: from bulk commodity to bulk actives. Dr Chris Cobley, Dow UK
	14:10	New strategies for chemical synthesis: enantioselective organocatalysis Dr Matthew Gaunt , University of Cambridge, UK
	14:55	Tea and posters
	Sessior	n Chairman: Dr Alan Pettman, Pfizer UK
	15:10 Direct amide bond formation from amines and carboxylic acids Dr Andy Whiting, University of Durham, UK	
15:55 Asymmetric O-H and N-H additions to carbon-carbon double Dr Mimi Hii, Imperial College, UK		
	16:40	Closing remarks Dr John Birtill, RSC Applied Catalysis Group, UK

16:45 Wine mixer and depart

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SYNOPSIS

The replacement of stoichiometric reagents for synthetic transformations by catalytic routes presents great opportunities for 'greener', safer and more economic manufacturing processes. Major companies (Astra Zeneca, Glaxo-Smith-Kline and Pfizer) in the pharmaceuticals industry have identified a priority list of important reactions. The organizers of this symposium set out the challenge to researchers in universities and industry. How can these reactions be carried out catalytically? Our idea was to combine an industrial perspective on this group of reactions with academic reports on the 'state of the art' science. We received many offers of interesting papers and we have selected 7 of them for our symposium. We have an exciting programme which will be of great interest to industrial and academic researchers, especially those involved in route design and chemical process development.

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