

# **RSC NMR Discussion Group**

# **UK NMR Managers' Meeting 2018**

Date of meeting: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Meeting venue: Room A028 Milburn House The Science Park University of Warwick Coventry West Midlands CV4 7AL United Kingdom

Dear NMR-DG Member,

The NMR Discussion Group would like to invite you to the seventh **UK NMR Facility Managers' Meeting** to be held at Milburn House, University of Warwick. This one-day meeting, on the day preceding the 2018 NMRDG Postgraduate Meeting, follows from previous successful meetings and is again planned to offer a forum for the managers and staff of NMR Facilities across the UK to meet and discuss common challenges and solutions that arise in operating NMR laboratories.

# Two Meetings for the Price of One (Trip)

We have again this year arranged the NMR Managers' meeting to precede the NMRDG postgraduate meeting at Warwick University (held on June 21<sup>st</sup>) to help NMR managers to attend both meetings. Supporting postgraduate researchers is a routine part of academic facility managers' day-to-day jobs, and yet we rarely get the opportunity to see early career researchers 'do their thing' on the national and international stage – now is your chance!

# Who is it aimed at?

The programme will have broad interest to managers across the NMR field working in academic and industrial laboratories. The presentations and workshops are intended to be very open discussions rather than just lectures – Presenters/Workshop leaders will give an outline of the topic, but the aim is that attendees will contribute their own experiences/advice/thoughts to provide a broad spectrum of opinion and good practice.

#### Costs

Those wishing to attend the meeting are requested to pay a nominal registration fee to cover costs (£35) – this will include buffet lunch and teas/coffees for all registered delegates, but will not cover evening meal or accommodation costs.

#### Location of Milburn House, University of Warwick

The meeting will take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in Milburn House, The Science Park, University of Warwick, Coventry, West Midlands CV4 7AL.

A detailed map showing the location of the venue is available using the web link below.

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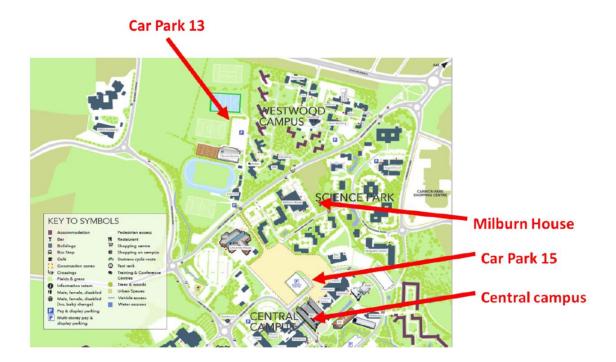
Also, additional information can be obtained from the University website: <u>https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/physics/research/condensedmatt/nmr/getting\_here/</u>

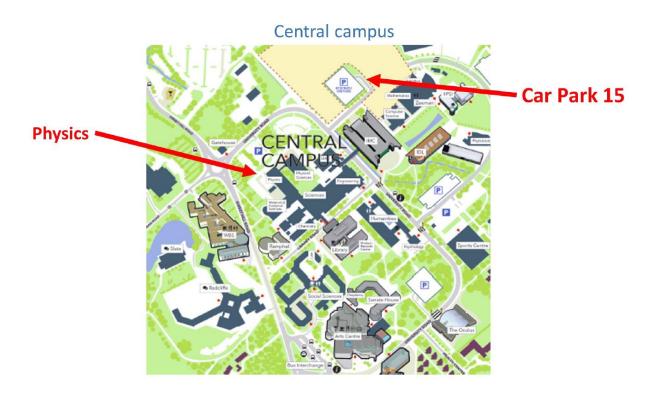
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The University of Warwick is approximately 4 miles from Coventry city centre and is very easily accessible, with public transport links by air, rail and bus.

Coventry Rail Station is the nearest main-line train station to the University. If you're travelling locally, you may find the nearer, but less frequently served, Canley Rail Station or Tile Hill Rail Station more convenient. You can easily reach Coventry Rail Station from London (Euston) and Birmingham, which run regular and frequent services direct to Coventry. From Coventry Station, there are frequent local bus services to the University. Follow the signs from the station to Warwick Road (a 2-minute walk) and from there catch the National Express 12X, which travels onto main campus. More information on bus travel to the University can be found here <a href="https://warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/directions/localbuses">https://warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/directions/localbuses</a>. Taxis are also available from outside of the station.

If travelling by car, the postcode for central campus is CV4 7AL. You can use this postcode with route planning services like Google Maps, or with your sat nav to find your way to the University. As you get closer to the area, joining the A45 or A46, there will be signs marked "University of Warwick" to help you find the university. Pay and display parking is available at many locations, and the signs will direct you to the nearest one. The nearest and most convenient Pay and Display car park to Milburn House is Car Park 13, and this is indicated on the map below. Car Park 15 is also within walking distance of Milburn House, and is convenient for the Postgraduate Meeting which will be held in the Physics Building. During the day time, when campus can be very busy, car parks are actively managed with staff on the ground. Please follow any directions they give you - they're there to help you find somewhere to park. For general information on car-parking on campus see: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/directions/car/parking/





#### **Evening Social Event**

We will run an informal social gathering in Kenilworth on the evening of Weds 20th (so ideal for those staying overnight for the PG meeting on Thursday). This will involve identifying a hostelry and then breakout to restaurants for dinner as desired.

#### Accommodation

As the Wednesday evening social gathering is planned for Kenilworth, we suggest attendees aim to stay there, but reasonably priced accommodation is available close to the venue if required. If you need advice on this, further information can be obtained by contacting the NMR Discussion Group (<u>info@nmrdg.org.uk</u>).

#### Registration and payment

Registration should be made using the RSC on-line registration using the link <u>https://events.rsc.org/rsc/1370/register</u>

Additional details are available on the NMRDG website (http://www.nmrdg.org.uk/). Registration will close on Monday 11th June 2018. Please address any meeting queries to <u>info@nmrdg.org.uk</u>

# Meeting Schedule

Wednesday 20th June 2018, Warwick

10.00 am: Arrival, Registration and Coffee10.30 am-12.00 am: Introduction and Workshops 1 & 2

- UK High-Field NMR Funding: Tony Chapman (EPSRC)
- Vendor service support and service contracts: Maggie Liu (Institute of Cancer Research)

12.00 pm-1.30 pm: Buffet Lunch, Mixer 1.30 pm-3.00 pm: Workshops 3 & 4

- Instrument reservation software: Peter Grice (University of Cambridge)
- UK solid-state NMR capabilities and availability: Paul Hodgkinson (University of Durham)

3.00 pm-3.30 pm: Tea/Coffee Break 3.30 pm-4.15 pm: Workshop 5

• Tips 'n tricks- things we have learnt since our last meeting (All to contribute. TC to Chair)

4.15-4.30 pm: Summary, Feedback and Closing remarks

6pm-late. Kenilworth: Informal social evening for attendees to both the UKMRM and NMRDG PG meetings.

We look forward to welcoming all delegates to this one-day meeting and encourage you take part in the excellent postgraduate meeting the following day.

Yours sincerely,

Prof Craig Butts University of Bristol *Meeting Organiser* 

Dr Dinu Iuga University of Warwick Local Organiser Prof Tim Claridge University of Oxford *Meeting Organiser* 

Prof Simon Duckett University of York *Chairperson, NMRDG*  Dr Ralph Adams University of Manchester Meeting Organiser