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SECOND CIRCULAR - SNUG2026

Thank you for committing to participating in the SNUG2026 Meeting taking place at the Stirling Court Hotel, University of Stirling Campus, FK9 4LA over two days on 23rd-24th July 2026.

Details are included in this circular under various headings. If you have any questions or concerns about the arrangements for the meeting, contact either of us directly and we will try to address them. Nicholle and Dave look forward to welcoming you to the event.

Note that in the interests of sustainability, we will not be supplying printed programmes at registration. If you require a hard copy of the schedule, please bring one with you.

Nicholle Bell and David Ellis
SNUG Co-Chairs

PAYMENT DETAILS

Through e-pay at <https://www.epay.ed.ac.uk/conferences-and-events/college-of-science-and-engineering/school-of-chemistry/snug-meeting-2026> for those who are doing so..

CAR PARKING

Stirling Court Hotel offers free car-parking to its visitors, available on a first come first served basis. A new pay-and-display system will be in operation in overspill car parks. Please call the sales office for further information or visit <https://www.stirlingvenues.com/visiting-us/find-us-parking>.

REGISTRATION

This will take place in the hotel foyer from 09.00 on Thursday 23rd July.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentations will take place in the Glendevon Meeting Room. A Windows laptop running PowerPoint will be available. As far as possible please prepare slides in widescreen (16:9) format and supply these on a USB pen drive. You may wish to use your own laptop instead, if you prefer. A laser pointer will be provided but again, you may wish to bring a familiar one with you, if you have one.

POSTERS

Poster boards will be available in the Silver Glen Exhibition Space, immediately adjacent to the Mull Meeting Room where the talks will be held. Posters should be prepared in portrait mode and can be up to A0 in size. Posters should be mounted during the arrival period at the start of the meeting on Day 1. Tacks will be supplied. The poster session will run during the afternoon on Day 1 of the meeting. Poster presenters should **also** prepare ONE PowerPoint slide that will be incorporated into a slide show. During the Quick-Fire Session, each presenter will have a maximum of 2 minutes in which to

“advertise” their work. After 2 minutes, the next slide will appear and the associated presenter can begin speaking and so forth in quick succession. The Quick-Fire Session will take place in the Glendevon Meeting Room. Once all poster “sales pitches” have been made, we will migrate to the adjacent poster board room (Silver Glen) for more leisurely discussions around the posters.

CATERING

Morning Tea/Coffee and Biscuits and Afternoon Tea/Coffee and Cake will be available at the stated times on both days in the Silver Glen Exhibition Space.

A buffet lunch (2 Courses – soup served to table followed by main course buffet with a choice of hot and cold items and salad bar, followed by freshly brewed tea and coffee) will be served on both days in the Restaurant.

Evening Dinner will be served in three courses in the Restaurant.

Those who have signed up will be served on Day 2 with a full Scottish breakfast in the Pathfoot Eatery, available between 7:30am and 8:59am.

ACCOMMODATION

Guest rooms, situated in Willow Court, are available for check-in from 2:00pm on Day 1 of the meeting but to allow the scientific program to run smoothly, a period has been allocated during the afternoon refreshment period on Day 1 during which guests may check into their rooms. Guests should check out on the morning of Day 2 by 10:00am but preferably before the morning scientific session beginning at 09.45 am. The venue is able to securely store luggage if required. There are some general terms and conditions associated with use of the venue accommodation, and you asked to review these.

For those who have chosen to reserve accommodation in the Hotel itself, similar guidance applies.

FACILITIES

The venue has a bar area and is set in an open, green space. Residential guests may make use of gym and pool facilities at their leisure. WiFi is available through eduroam.

FREE TIME

The Ochil Hills are close by and if you feel energetic, you might consider a visit to Dumyat <https://www.walkhighlands.co.uk/fife-stirling/dumyat.shtml>. Those thinking of this trip should be aware that dinner is served at 18.30, be sure to get back in time! Bridge of Allan is also nearby (within walking distance of the Stirling University campus) with a selection of public houses and shops, visit [Discover Bridge of Allan](#) for further details...and the campus of Stirling University itself is very pleasant walking territory...[Study in Scotland, UK | Home | | University of Stirling](#). A walk around Airthrey Loch, in the heart of campus is described at [Airthrey Loch & Hermitage Woods, Stirling University \(Walkhighlands\)](#), this takes no more than 1.5 hours. The National Wallace Monument is fifteen minutes' walk from the Hotel ([The National Wallace Monument, Stirling](#)) and closes at 18.00. Buses to Stirling are likely to be infrequent during the summer but if you have a car you might want to see the sights. Visit [8 Incredible Things to See & Do in Stirling | VisitScotland](#) but be aware that many of the tourist attractions (e.g., the Castle) will close early and if open, may incur an admission charge.

VENUE – SELECTED GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

24. Should any delegates be unable to correct any aspect of poor behaviour or activities unacceptable to the Hotel, the Hotel reserves the right to terminate their stay. Should this occur, no monies will be refunded. The Manager's decision is final.

25. The costs of repairing any damage caused to the property, contents or grounds by any guests must be reimbursed to the Hotel [by the Client]. The Hotel reserves the right to charge [the Client] the amount of any charges which the Hotel, in its absolute discretion, decides to refund another client or clients by reason of the disorderly conduct of any one or more the Attendees.

27. No wines, spirits or foods brought into the Hotel may be consumed.

31. The Hotel must comply with certain licensing (including network use) and statutory requirements and requires the client to fulfil their obligations in this respect.

34. All public areas within Stirling Court Hotel are non-smoking. Any guests wishing to smoke may do so in the designated outdoor area.

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**SCOTTISH HIGH-
FIELD NMR CENTRE**



Programme Day 1

Thursday 23rd July

Time	Activity	Speaker	Institute	Group
09h00-10h00	Arrival, Coffee and Poster Mounting			
10h00-10h15	Welcome and Introduction	SNUG Chairs	UofE&HW	NB&DE
10h15-10h30	SHF NMR Centre Update	SHF NMR Centre Chair	UofE	DU
Morning Session; Chair – Dusan Uhrin				
10h30-11h00	CAREER JOURNEY	Alexandria Shread	Bruker	
	TBC			
11h00-11h30	RESEARCH TALK	Bartosz Tomaszewski	UofStrath	KE
	TBC			
11h30-11h35	5-minute comfort break			
11h35-12h05	TUTORIAL	Annabel Flook	UofE	GL-J
	TBC			
12h05-12h35	VENDORS PITCH	John Scott/Michael Malon/Claire Dickson (JEOL), Alexandria Shread (Bruker), Thomasine Curzon (GPE), Eilidh Oliphant/Leon Williamson (Merck) Stephen McGurk (Oxford Instruments)		
12h35-14h00	Lunch			
Afternoon Session; Chair - Kathi Edkins				
14h00-14h30	TUTORIAL	Daniel Dawson	UofSt.And	SA
	TBC			
14h30-14h50	QUICK FIRE (2 MINUTES EACH) POSTER PRESENTATIONS Bartosz Tomaszewski, Seren Hewer, John Scott, Natasha Speakman, Rupali Sahu, Blair Smyth, Elizabeth Laoye, Kenneth Cameron, Claire Greisen			
14h50-15h30	POSTER SESSION – Posters should be A0 size, and pins will be supplied			
15h30-16h15	Afternoon Refreshments and Room Check-In for Residents			
16h15-18h30	Free Time			
18h30-20h30	Dinner			
20h30-23h00	Bar			

Programme Day 2

Friday 24th July

Time	Activity	Speaker	Institute	Group
07h00-09h45	Free Time / Breakfast and Room Check-out for residents			
Early Morning Session; Chair – Brian Smith				
09h45-10h15	RESEARCH TALK	Dusan/John/Vani/Susie*		
		TBC		
10h15-10h45	RESEARCH TALK	Dusan/John/Vani/Susie*		
		TBC		
10h45-11hr30	Morning Coffee			
Late Morning Session; Chair – Annabel Flook				
11h30-12h00	RESEARCH TALK	Kacper Krakowiak	HW	DE
		TBC		
12h00-12h30	TUTORIAL	Tomas Lebl	UofSt.And	TL
		TBC		
12h30-14h00	Lunch			
Closing Session; Chair – John Parkinson				
14h00-14h45	Tips and Tricks Andrew Hall Dan Fletcher			
14h45-15h15	CAREER JOURNEY	Kathi Edkins	UofStrath	KE
		TBC		
16h15-16h30	Closing Remarks	SNUG Chairs	UofE&HW	NB&DE
16h30	Refreshments and Close			

Key:

UofE-University of Edinburgh; **HW**-Heriot-Watt University; **UofStrath**-University of Strathclyde;
UofSt.A – University of St. Andrews

NB-Nicholle Bell; **DE**-Dave Ellis; **DU**-Dusan Uhrin; **KE**-Kathi Edkins; **GL**-J-Guy Lloyd-Jones; **SA**-Sharon Ashbrook; **TL**- Tomas Lebl.