

Royal Society of Chemistry Historical Group Meeting

**The atom and the molecule: A symposium celebrating Gilbert N. Lewis.**

Wednesday, 23<sup>th</sup> March 2016, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London

**Programme**

- 10.30 Registration and tea or coffee  
10.55 Welcome (Dr John Hudson, Chairman, Historical Group)  
**11.00 First Session** – Chair: Henry Rzepa  
Dr Patrick Coffey (Berkeley, USA)  
*Does Personality Influence Scientific Credit? Simultaneous Priority Disputes: Lewis vs. Langmuir and Langmuir vs. Harkins*  
11.45 Professor Robin Hendry (Durham, UK)  
*Lewis on Structure and the Chemical Bond*  
**12.15-13.45 Lunch**  
13.45 **Second Session** – Chair: John Hudson  
Professor Alan Dronsfield (UK)  
*An organic chemist reflects on the Lewis two-electron bond*  
14.15 Dr Julia Contreras-García (UPMC, France)  
*Do bonds need a name?*  
14.45 Professor Nick Greeves (Liverpool, UK)  
*The influence of Lewis on organic chemistry teaching, textbooks and beyond*  
**15.15-15.45 Tea interval**  
15.45 **Third Session** – Chair: Robin Hendry  
Professor Clark Landis (UWM, USA)  
*Lewis and Lewis-like Structures in the Quantum Era*  
16.15 Professor Michael Mingos (Oxford, UK)  
*The Inorganic dimension to Lewis and Kossel's landmark contributions*  
16.45 Dr Patrick Coffey (Berkeley, USA)  
*Lewis' Life, Death, and Missing Nobel Prize*  
17.15 Concluding remarks: Henry Rzepa  
17.20 Close of meeting

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

There is no charge for this meeting, but prior registration is essential. Please use the form below and send it to Professor John Nicholson, 52 Buckingham Road, Hampton, Middx TW12 3JG. [email: [jwnicholson01@gmail.com](mailto:jwnicholson01@gmail.com)]. **This is expected to be a popular meeting. If having registered, you are unable to attend, please notify Professor Nicholson.**

I wish to attend the meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 at Burlington House, Piccadilly, London on ‘*The atom and the molecule: A symposium celebrating Gilbert N. Lewis.*

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