

Inaugural Christmas Lecture of the NW Region Analytical Division

On the 25th November Prof. Frank Pullen gave the inaugural NWAD Christmas Lecture at the Manchester Interdisciplinary Biocentre of the University of Manchester. The lecture and the buffet which followed was a free event, organised jointly by the NWAD and BMSS and kindly sponsored by Agilent Technologies, for NWAD members and their guests. The NWAD committee was delighted to meet the ca. 60 attendants from a great range of ages attending the lecture, from 12 year olds to our long service members. The lecture was a great treat for us all as, Prof. Pullen, who is the BMSS sponsored lecturer for 2010-2011, gave an excellent, fun and enlightening account of "What has Mass Spectrometry Ever Done for Us?" with a nod to Monty Python. The mince pies and the raffle were also greatly enjoyed.

The NWAD aims to organise a Christmas Lecture in 2011, so keep an eye out for further information later in the year.

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