

23rd IUPAC Conference on Physical Organic Chemistry (ICPOC23)

ICPOC23 was held at the University of New South Wales from July 3rd-8th 2016. With nearly 300 attendees (from 35 countries and every permanently inhabited continent), this conference covered not just the traditional areas of physical organic chemistry such as reactivity, mechanism and structure but also how it can be applied to diverse fields including biology, materials science and systems chemistry.

The lecture programme was extensive, with over 140 lectures presented (including those by Nobel Laureate Arieh Warshel and the world's most cited chemical scientist, George Whitesides) along with more than 80 poster presentations. In addition to the scientific programme, the conference included an extremely popular conference dinner (with 180 attendees), a cruise on Sydney Harbour and a very successful Forum on the Future of Chemistry.

The conference organisers would like to express our gratitude to all of the people who supported this conference, from the attendees through to our extensive list of sponsors; we would particularly like to acknowledge our principal sponsors - School of Chemistry, University of New South Wales; Faculty of Science, University of New South Wales; The Australian National University; The Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology, University of Queensland; The Office of the Chief Scientist and Engineer, New South Wales State Government.

Jason Harper, *Chair ICPO23 Organising Committee*

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