



RSC Member Networks Conference 2023

International Local Sections Meeting

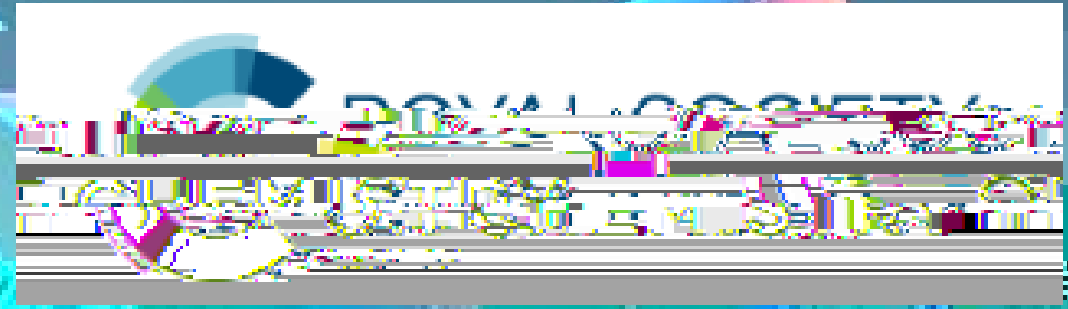
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Professor Patricia Forbes

Chair, International Local Section
Representative, Member Networks
Committee

Impact of Open Access on authors from low- and middle-income countries

Laura Fisher



2003 – 2011

2012 – 2013

2014 – 2015 *Soft Matter, Biomaterials Science, Polymer
Chemistry, Reaction Chemistry & Engineering, MSDE*

Sept 2015 – March 2016

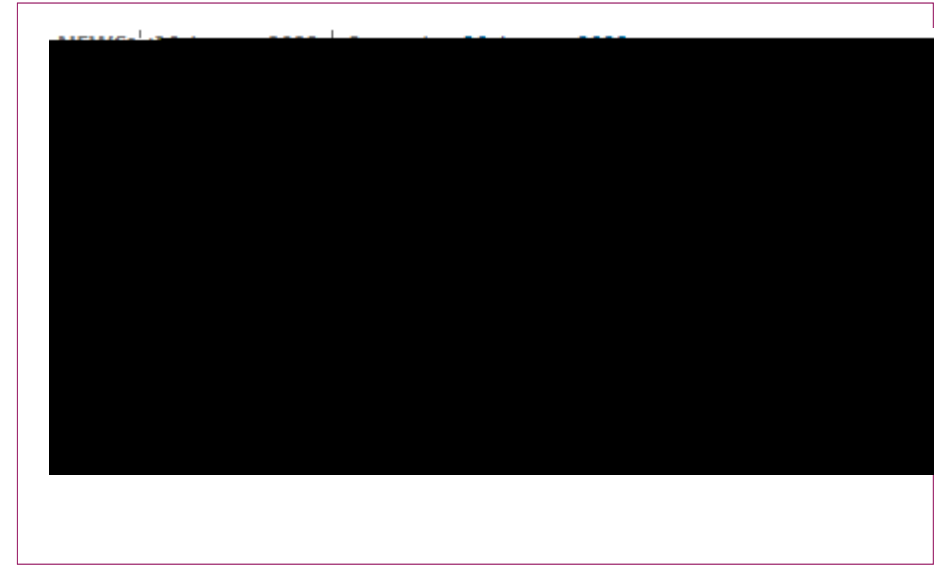
Open Access
key
component of Open
Science



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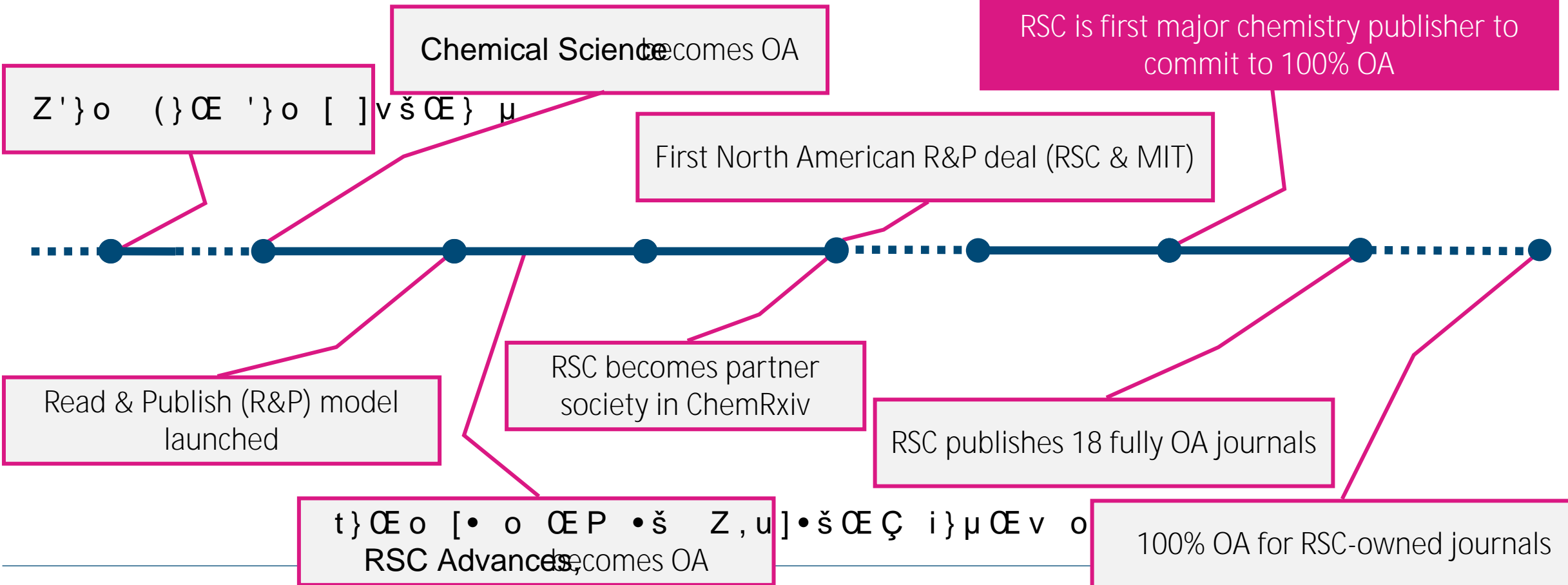
publishing landscape is moving further and further towards a fully Open Access environment





accelerating the pace of innovation and discovery

Authors should not pay for Open Access



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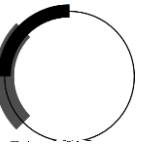
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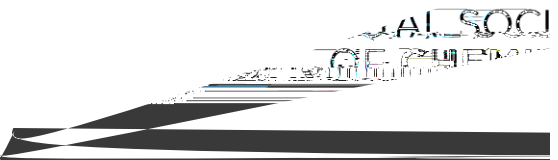
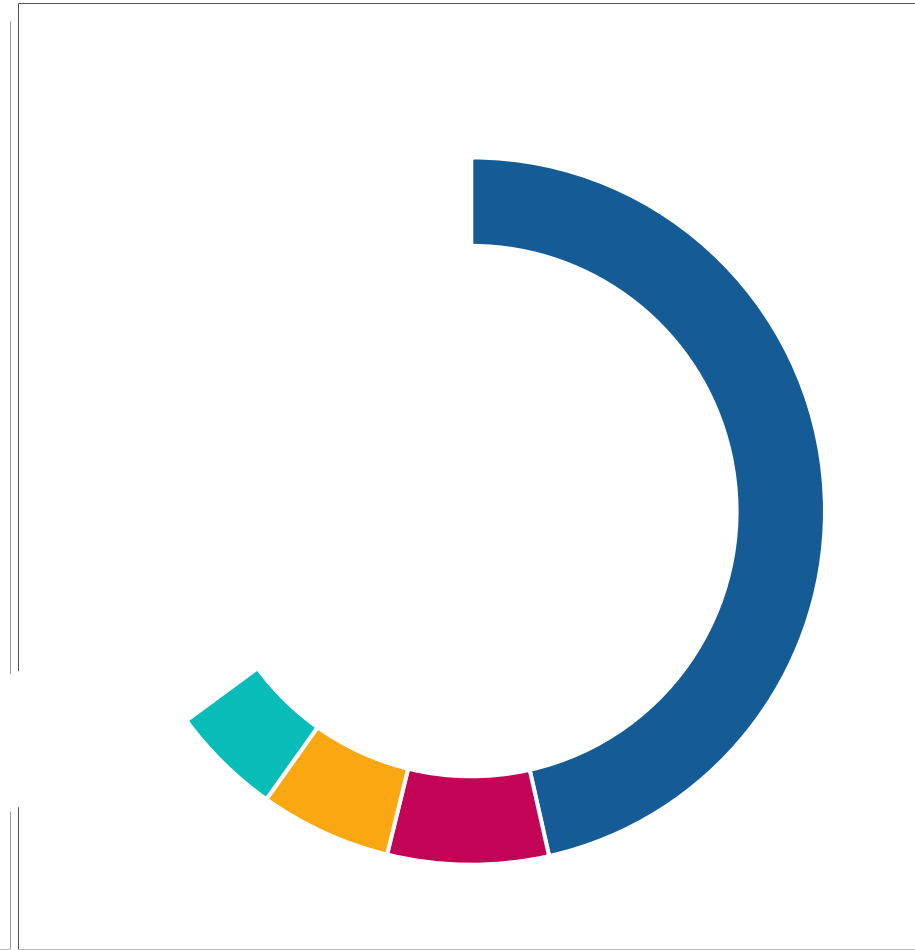
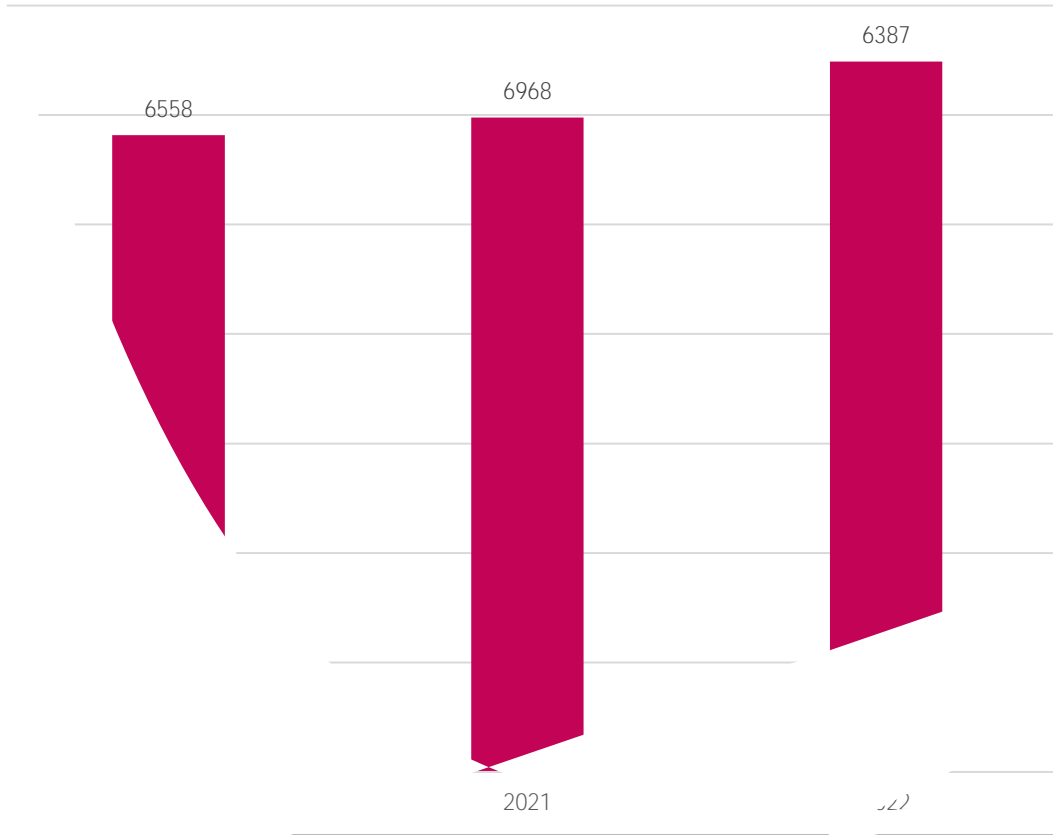
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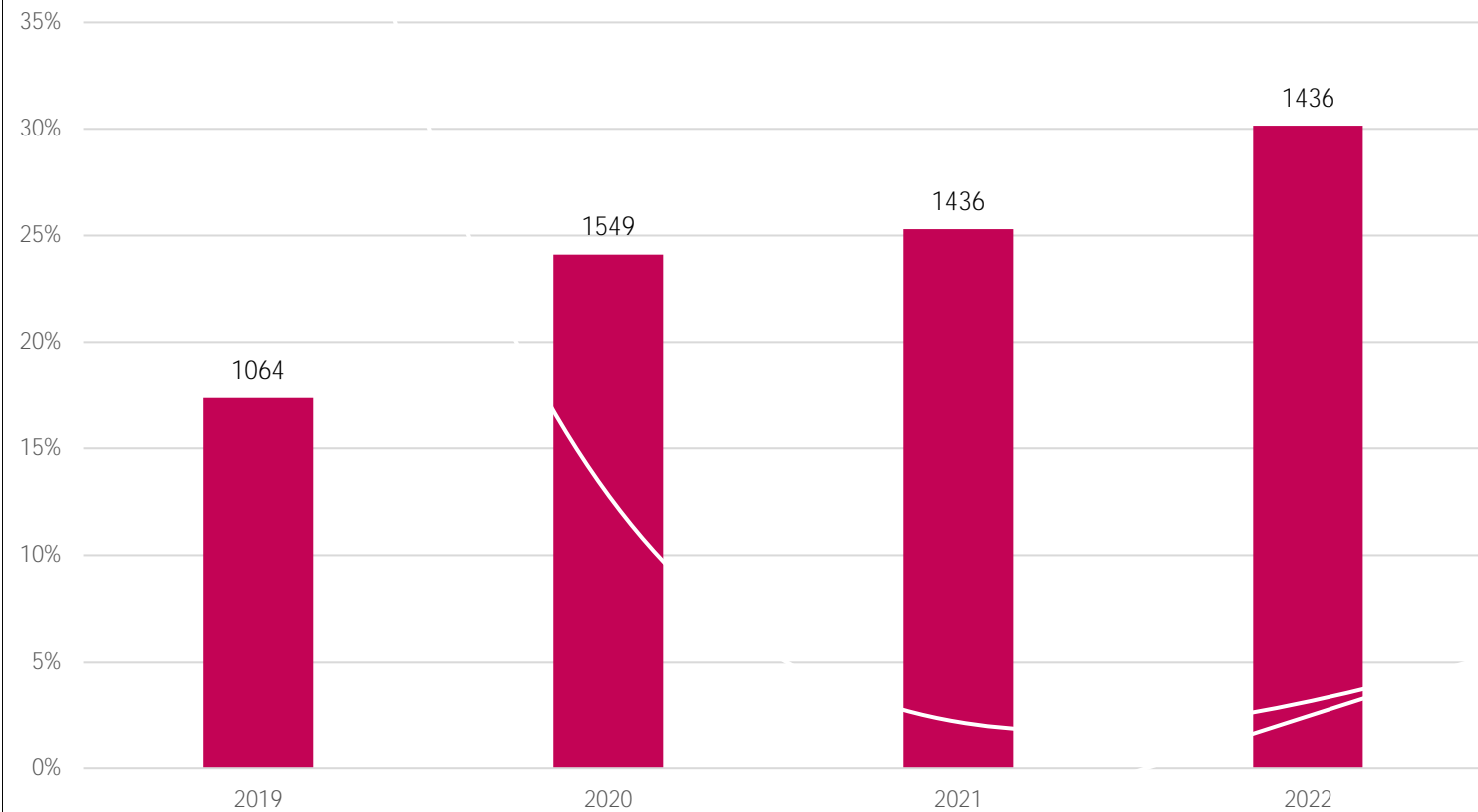


Proportion of RSC content from LMICs



RSC Advances

Proportion of RSC Advances sent from LMICs



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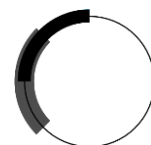
Member discount

Author membership

Ad hoc waivers

APC discounts

waivers

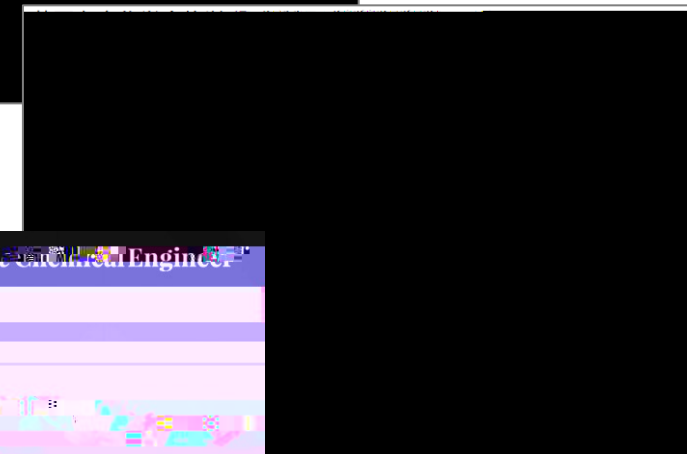


The RSC has committed to achieving 100% Open Access by 2028.

press release went out on 31

October 2022

The announcement was shared in several industry news outlets *Chemistry World, The Chemical Engineer, Chemical & Engineering News, Research Professional News, Knowledge Speak, Library Learning Space*



Ensuring that everyone, everywhere can still publish with us

all authors have the same potential to access and publish research

Partnering with institutions to develop new Open Access models

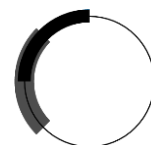
transform our current subscriptions to new OA models

our aim is to move away from models that rely solely on authors paying article processing charges – we want these to be covered by institutions & funders.

Expanding our waiver program

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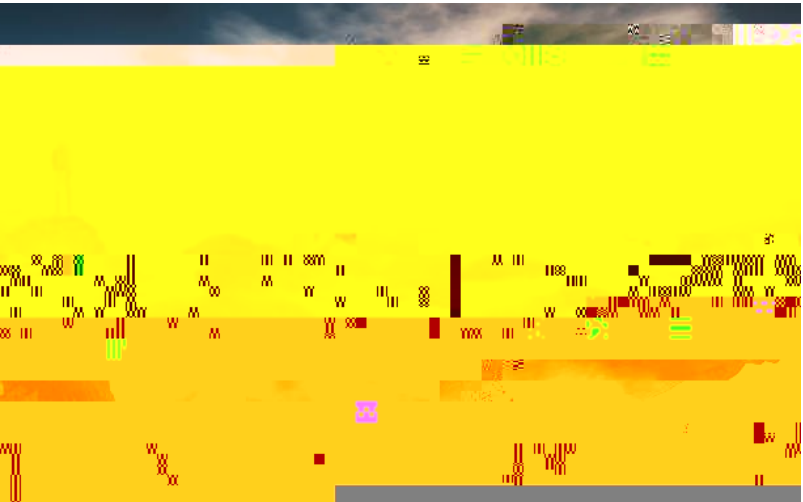
OASPA (Open Access Scholarly Publishing Association)

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all scholarly publications on the results from research funded by public or private grants provided by national, regional and international research councils and funding bodies, must be published in Open Access Journals, on Open Access Platforms, or made immediately available through Open Access Repositories without embargo.

Global equity in open access publishing¹

openly inviting key stakeholders across the globe to partner with us towards achieving this goal.

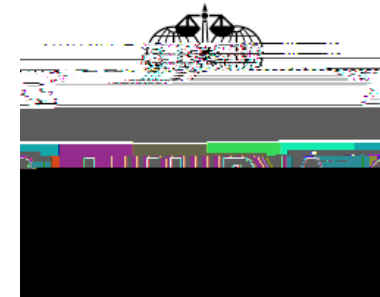
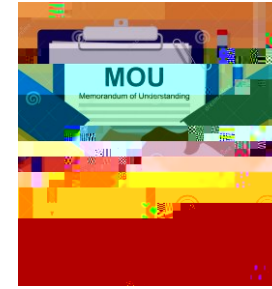


What can we do?



The International Engagement team





The RSC International Ambition

- ‡ Internationally, RSC is the ambassador for UK chemical science community
- ‡ Strengthen the reputation of UK science and its role as part of a global role
- ‡ Set and maintain professional standards for RSC members within the global chemical science community
- ‡ Convene the global science community through a programme of conferences and events



Pan Africa Chemistry Network ±who we are

‡Established in 2008, owned by the RSC, PACN has invested over £2m in Africa

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Pan Africa Chemistry Network ±what we do

- ‡ Enables access to all RSC journal articles free of charge through Research4Life
- ‡ Allows authors from most African countries to publish open access with no charges
- ‡ Supports African scientists to attend international conferences and sponsor conferences in Africa
- ‡ Fund equipment and maintenance costs for analytical facilities within Africa
- ‡ Connecting individuals and programs to stakeholders across Africa



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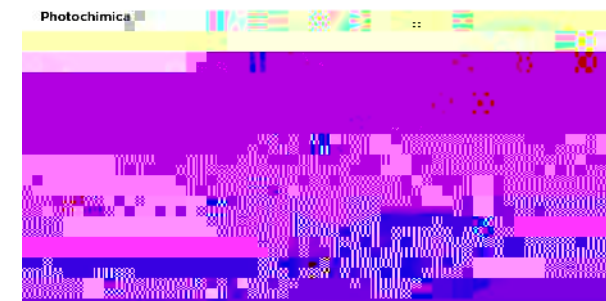
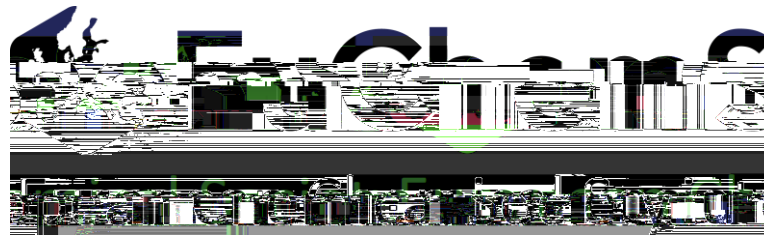


Chemical Sciences and Society Summit (CS3)



Theme: & K H P L V W U \ I R U 6 X V W D L Q D E O H) R R G & K D O O H Q J
September 2023, hosted by CSJ

- Chemistry for Sustainable Food Engineering
- Chemistry for Revolutionary Food Production
- Circular and Sustainable Chemistry for Food Sustainability



Vision

One community, one voice,
catalysing equality for all

Guiding principles

Equal and inclusive representation from all Commonwealth nations with the recognition that those with greater resources will contribute more in order to support those with fewer resources.

Mission

To inspire, celebrate and elevate the role and practice of the chemical sciences for the benefit of Commonwealth nations and their people.

‡ RSC provides the Secretariat function

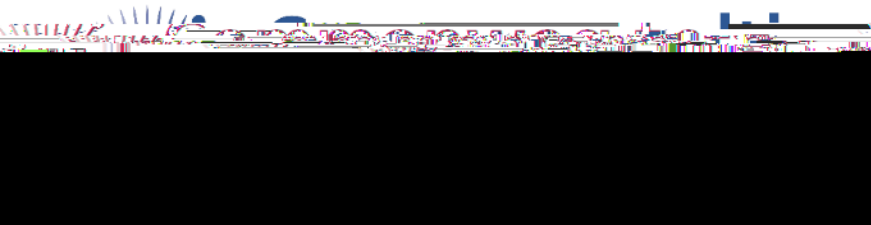
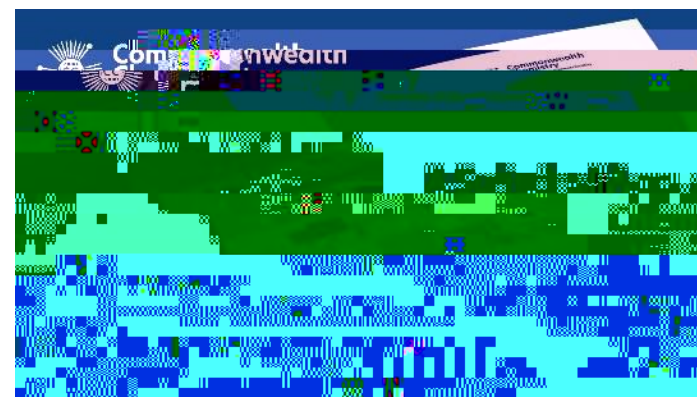
‡ Commonwealth Chemistry Day

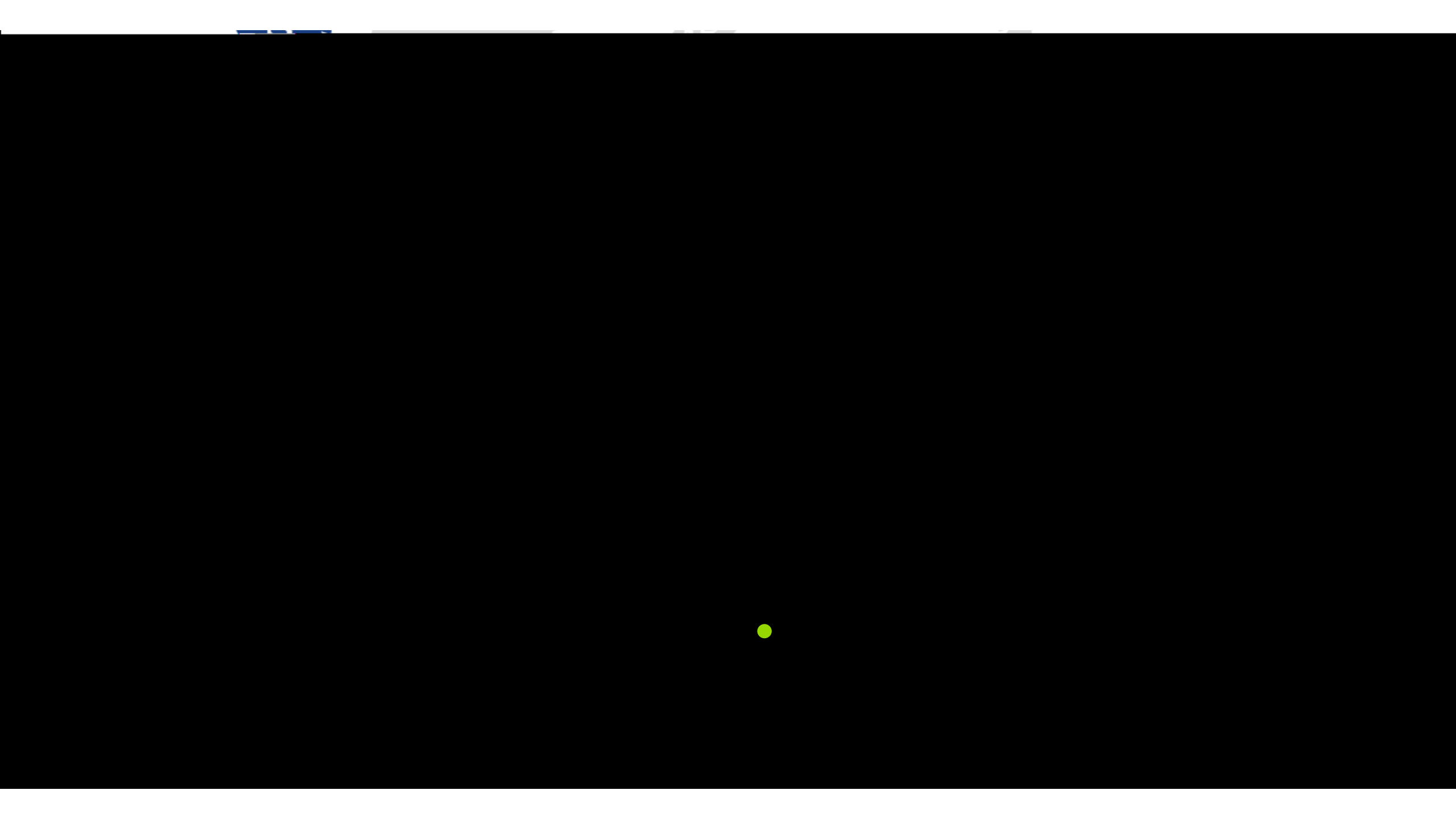
‡ Commonwealth Chemistry Congress

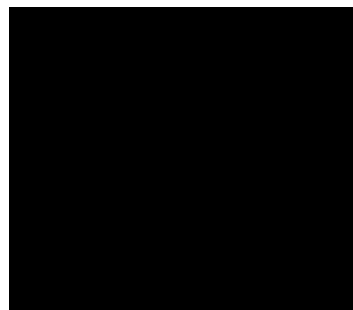
<https://commonwealthchemistry.org/event/ccc2023/>

‡ Commonwealth Chemistry Posters Event

‡ Early Career Network







RSQUPAC Committee

IUPAC Young Observers
Programme



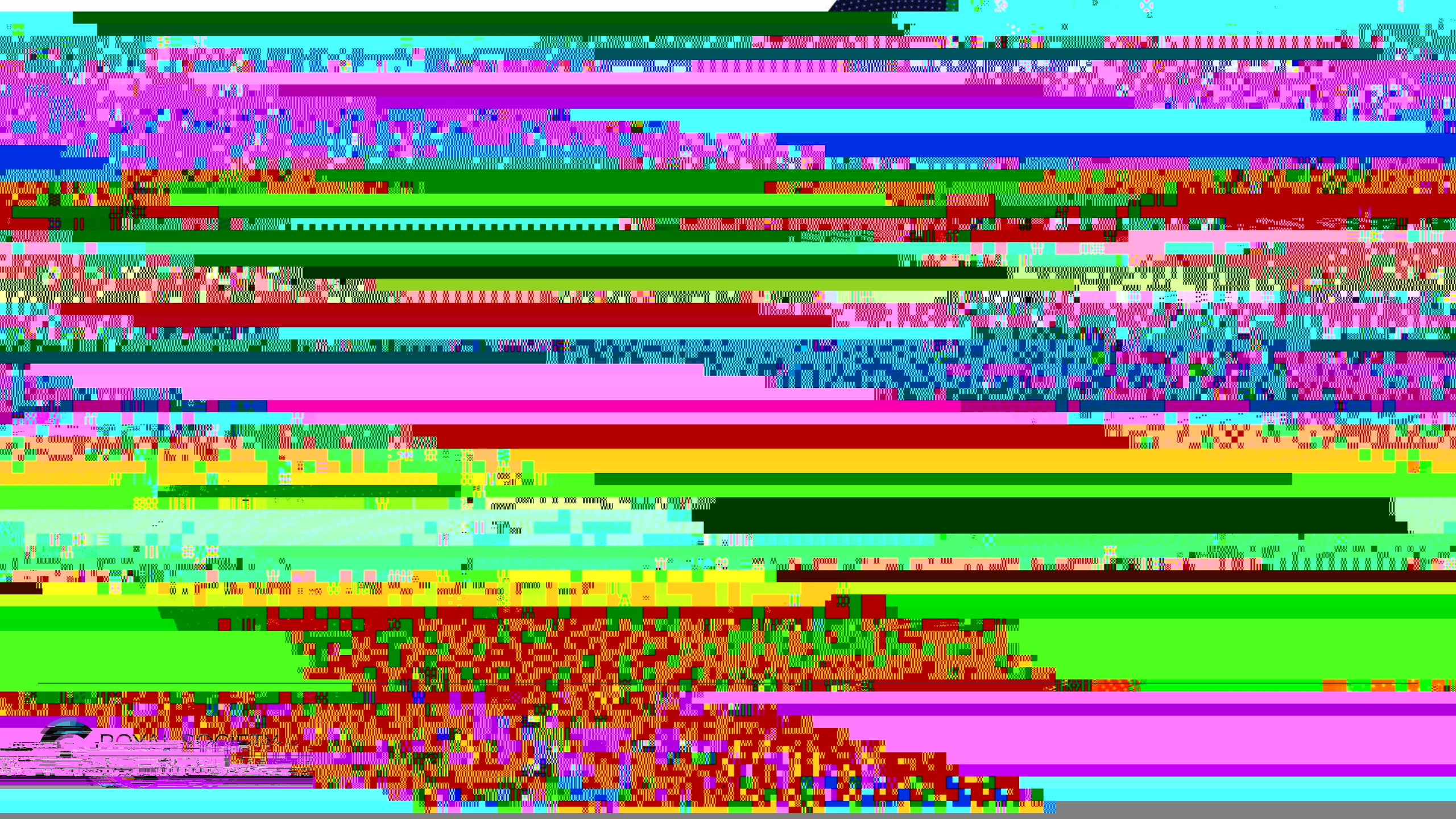
Key dates

- ‡ 27th October 2023: One-day symposium with Korean Chemical Society, Korea
- ‡ 13-17 November 2023: LC-MS: A Hands-on Approach, Kenya
- ‡ 21st 1 R Y H P E H U & & (D U O \ & D U H H U 1 H W Z R U N ³ 3 D W K (virtual)
- ‡ February 2024 EYCN Delegates Assembly at Burlington House
- ‡ May 2024 Commonwealth Chemistry AGM (virtual)
- ‡ 7-11 July 2024 9th EuChemS Chemistry Conference, Dublin
- ‡ 30th October-1st November 2024 PACN Congress, University of Nairobi, Kenya
- ‡ 19th-21st -



Thank you







Financial reports and annual grants

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Debbie Dekker

Member Networks Specialist

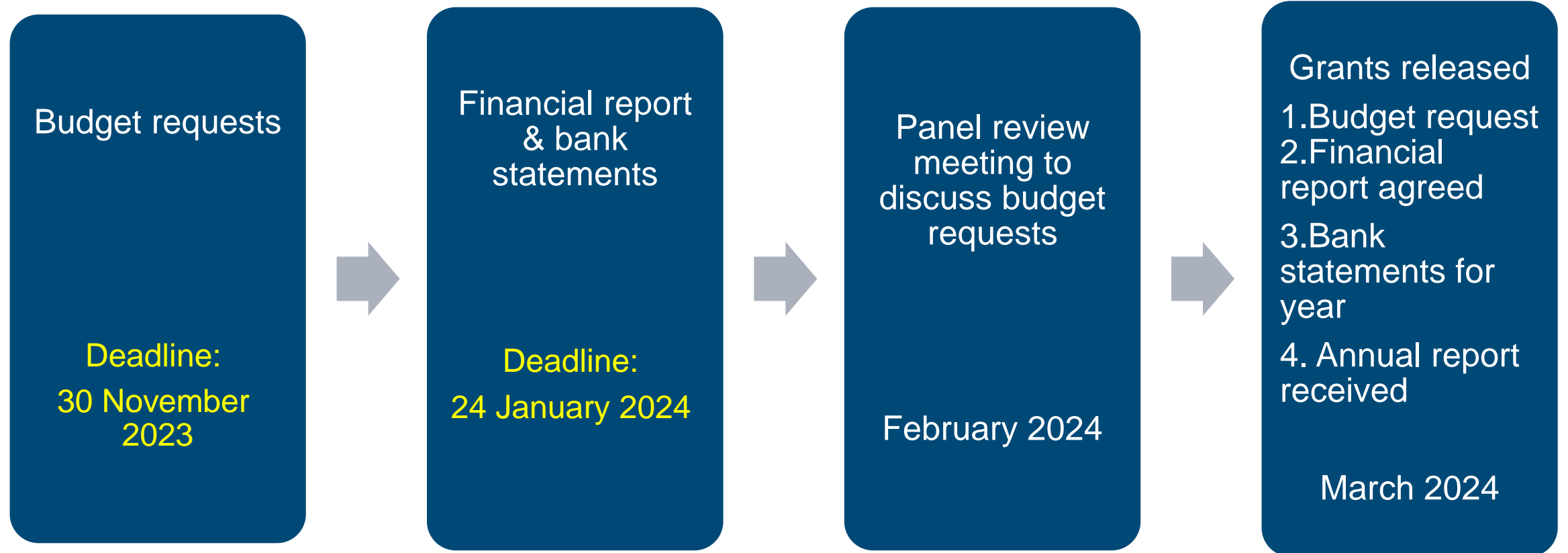
Changes to financial reports and grants

- ‡ Budget requests now reviewed by a panel from Member Networks Committee (MNC)
- ‡ Budget request submitted earlier & more information required
- ‡ Stricter deadlines for budget requests and financial reports
- ‡ Trial cash book format
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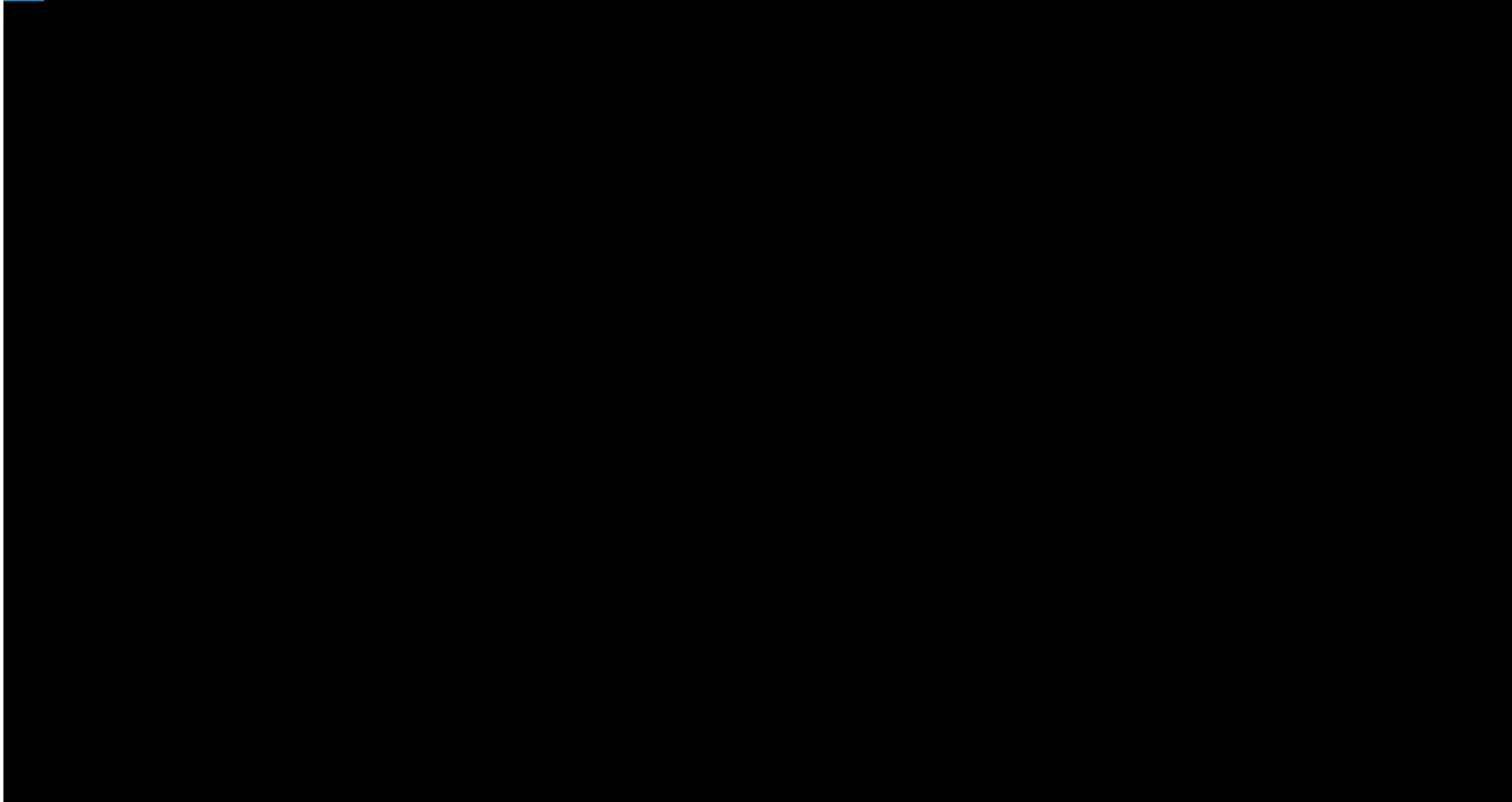
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Financial reports timeline



Volunteer hub ±Pilot for Treasurers



Questions?

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