

## UK GAP JUNCTION MEETING 2016

The UK Gap Junction meeting 2016 was hosted at the University of Warwick on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016. This one-day meeting focused on the role of connexins and pannexins signaling events in diverse systems and was attended by 40 delegates from UK and Europe. The first keynote talk by Prof Marc Chanson, University of Geneva, focused on the emerging role of connexin signaling in inflammation and infection emphasizing links between connexins and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* infection in cystic fibrosis. The second invited keynote was by Dr Nathalie Guernieau from the University of Montpellier, who gave an excellent overview of the role of gap junction coupling in adrenal medullary tissue. These invited keynote talks were complemented by 12 short talks selected from submitted abstracts by PhD students, post docs and PI's from various labs across UK and Europe where presentations centered around themes of inflammation in a variety of tissue networks, cardiovascular disease and cancer. The talks were complemented by 15 posters enabling further discussions during the day.

Dinner on Sunday evening was in the Loch Fyne Oyster Restaurant in Kenilworth, and on Monday evening delegates had further opportunity to visit the Virgin and Castle pub and restaurant, one of the oldest coaching Inns in Warwickshire built in late fifteenth century.

We thank all those who attended and look forward to welcoming everyone to Glasgow for the International Meeting in July 2017.