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COLLEGE NOTICE

FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES – VICE DEANS

Professor Paul French, Professor of Physics, has accepted appointment as the Vice-Dean (Research) of the Faculty of Natural Sciences with effect from 1 April 2015. Professor French is in the Photonics Group of the Physics Department at Imperial College London. He was a Royal Society University Research Fellow from 1989 until 1994 when he joined the academic staff. He served as Head of the Photonics Group from 2001-2013. His research has evolved from ultrafast dye and solid-state laser physics to biomedical optics with a particular emphasis on fluorescence lifetime imaging for applications in molecular cell biology, drug discovery and clinical diagnosis. He has worked extensively with industry and his current portfolio includes the development and application of multidimensional fluorescence imaging technology for microscopy, high content analysis, endoscopy and tomography. Outside College, he has worked with the Optical Society of America, the Institute of Physics and the European Physical Society, for which he has served as Chair of the Quantum Electronics and Optics Division.

Professor Alan Spivey, Director of Education for the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Professor of Synthetic Chemistry, has accepted appointment as the Vice-Dean (Education) of the Faculty of Natural Sciences with immediate effect. Professor Spivey joined the Department of Chemistry as a Reader in 2003. He was promoted to Professor in 2008. His research interests are in the area of synthetic chemistry and in particular the development of useful new synthetic concepts and methods and the demonstration of their utility in addressing biological and medicinal questions. He was Director of Undergraduate Studies for Chemistry from 2007-2013 and has been the Chair of the FoNS Teaching Committee since 2009 and FoNS Director of Education since 2013.

John Neilson
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