

Numerical Modeling of Oil/Gas Flow in the Pipes in Deep Sea



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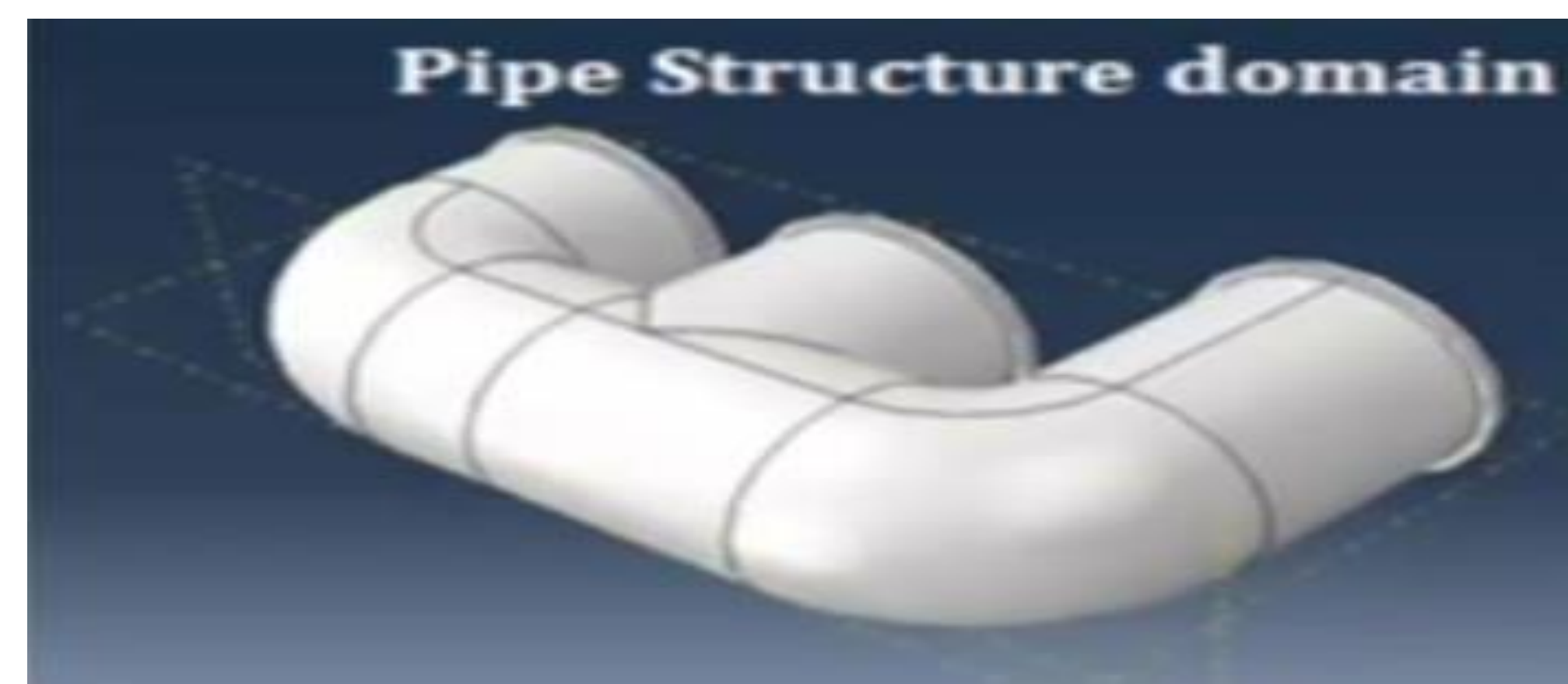
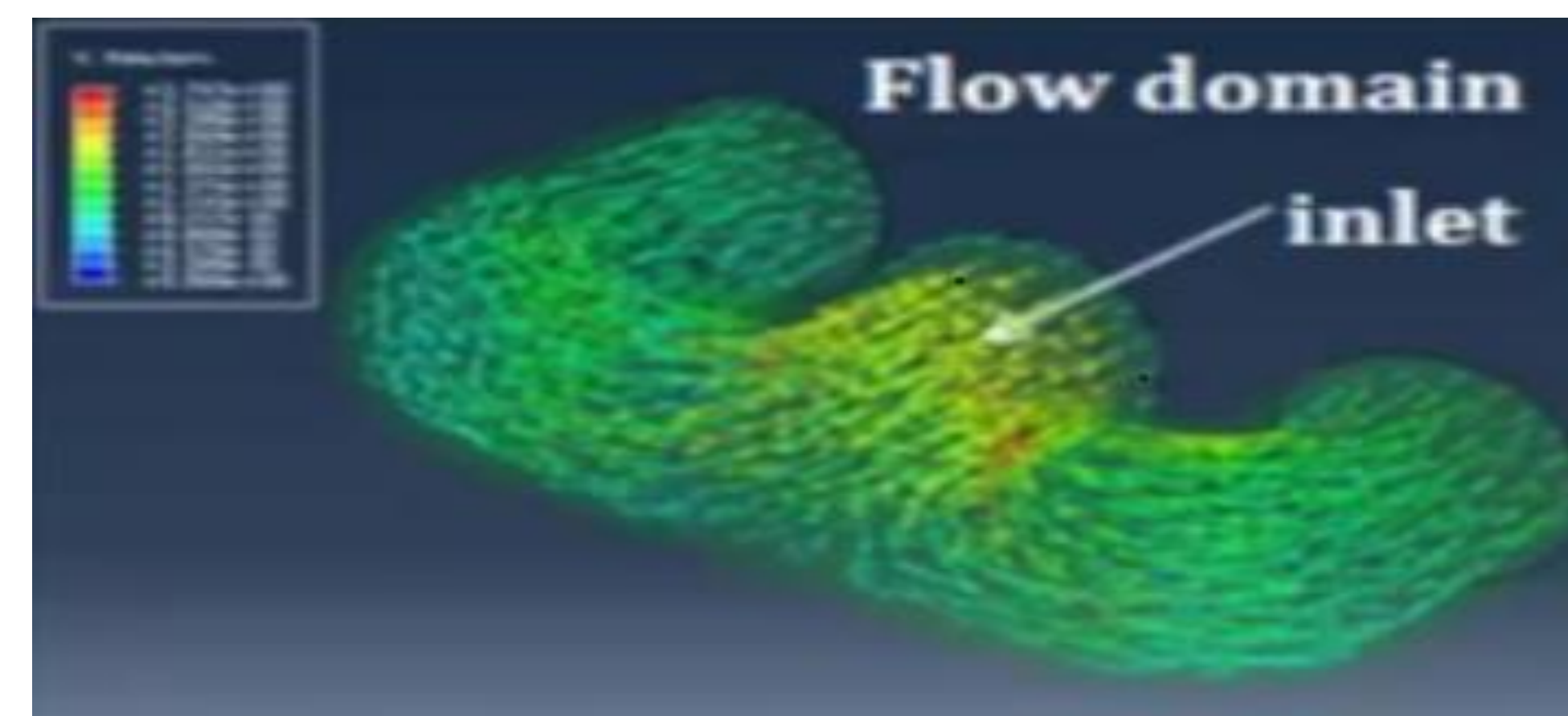
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1. Motivation

- The activities involved in oil and gas exploration and delivery are centred around pipes for the flow of oil/gas.
- Different types and sizes of pipes are used, like the drill pipes, risers and the horizontal pipes. The dimensions could be 30" (76cm) or more as they are large capacity pipelines.
- The earliest known [oil wells](#) were drilled in China in 347 AD or earlier. They had depths of up to about 800 feet (240 m) and were drilled using [bits](#) attached to [bamboo](#) poles.
- The history of oil exploration dates to 1891 when the first oil well was drilled at Grand Lake St Mary's, Ohio.
- The Arctic Sea is one of the world's largest remaining areas where oil and gas are accessible.
- The planet's undiscovered natural gas reserves is up to 30%, and the Arctic Sea has 13% of it (USGS).
- Most of the reserves are projected to be in less than 500 metres of water - roughly a third of a mile deep. Up to 160 billion barrels of oil could lay undiscovered beneath the Arctic - compared to 90 billion barrels previously estimated in the region.
- The US estimates the world uses around 30 billion barrels of oil a year.
- The oil and gas sector is very depended upon globally and the US confirmed to use about 60% on it, despite other sources.

2. Objectives

- To develop a model for pipes used in oil/gas industry,
- To develop a model to visualise the flow of oil/gas in pipes in deep sea,
- To optimize the pipeline layouts and pumping systems.



4. Basis of the flow

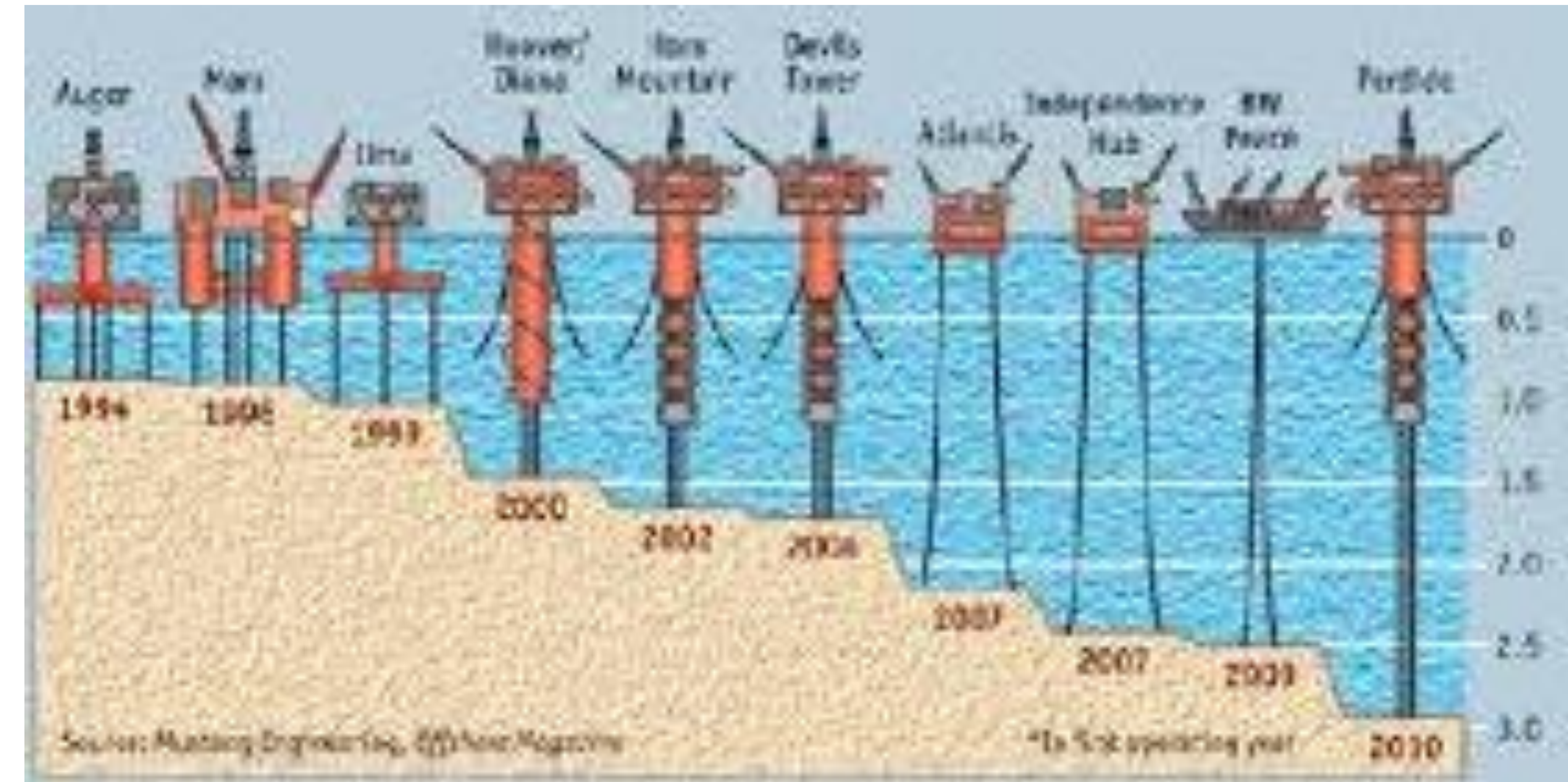
- Continuity Equation
- Conservation of Energy
- Navier Stokes Equation
- The Boundary Condition are then applied using ABAQUS.

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \vec{g} - 2(\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{v}) + \frac{1}{c\rho_0} \vec{j} \times \vec{B}$$

The movement of fluid depends upon:

- ↑ pressure
- ↑ viscosity
- ↑ gravity
- ↑ rotation
- ↑ magnetic term (associated with the Lorentz Force)

3. Oil /Gas Flow in Pipes



5. References

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Christmas Conference

Imaging: from molecules to galaxies

Tuesday 15th December, 9am-4.30pm

Management School Hub

Time	Speaker	Title of Talk	Venue
9.10am	Professor Jamshed Anwar	Welcome	Lecture Theatre 1
9.15am	Chair: Dr Alan Collins	Session One	Lecture Theatre 1
9.15am	Professor Oleg Kolosov	Scanning probe microscopy - revealing hidden secrets of the nanoscale world	Lecture Theatre 1
9.40am	Dr Amanda Turner	From lichen to lightning - modelling and visualising random growth	Lecture Theatre 1
10.05am	Dr Lorna Ashton	Live cell Raman imaging	Lecture Theatre 1
10.30am	Tea, coffee and pastries		Hub Area
11.00am	Chair: Dr Chris Edwards	PhD Talks Short talks from 15 final year PhD students	Lecture Theatre 1
12.00pm	Lunch	Posters on display	Hub Area
1.15pm	Chair: Dr Richard Haley	Session Two	Lecture Theatre 1
1.15pm	Dr Francesca Citron	Neuroimaging evidence for a role of figurative expressions in conveying emotion	Lecture Theatre 1
1.40pm	Dr Farid Aiouache	Integrated approach for multiscale design strategy of reactor systems	Lecture Theatre 1
2.05pm	Dr Mike James	4D imaging of active volcanoes	Lecture Theatre 1
2.30pm	Dr Anastasios Noulas	Computational cartography and the digital heartbeat of our cities	Lecture Theatre 1
2.55pm	Mulled Wine and Mince Pies	Presentation of Dean's Award for Excellence in PhD Studies, poster prizes and PhD speaker prizes	Hub Area
3.20pm	Professor Tim O'Brien	Guest Speaker: Imaging the invisible universe	Lecture Theatre 1
4.20pm	Professor Peter Atkinson	Close	Lecture Theatre 1

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Charles Weir	SCC	Educating software engineers in security	Landscape	7
Kay Rawlins	Psychology	Effects of dyslexia on problem solving: Strategies and interventions for syllogistic reasoning	Landscape	8
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Charles Gell	Chemistry	Investigations into the Synthesis of Rotaxanes as Receptors for Polyatomic Guests	Landscape	13
John Shaw	Psychology	The Impact of Culture on Binding Memory	Landscape	14
Maxime Lucas	Physics	Living systems and chronotoxicity	Landscape	15
Anita Crompton	Engineering	Long range detection of alpha-induced air fluorescence	Landscape	16
Paul Sharkey	Mathematics and Statistics	Modelling North Atlantic Cyclone Tracks	Landscape	17
James Brand	Psychology	Predictors of lexical stability in an artificially learnt language	Landscape	18
Alan Harding	Engineering	Recovery of PGMs from spent fuel cells	Landscape	19
Emma Stubington	Mathematics and Statistics	Supporting the design of Radiotherapy Treatment Planning	Landscape	20
Christopher Woodhead	Physics	The challenges of single photon extraction	Landscape	21
Han Ke	Psychology	The Development of the Neural Correlates of Body Schema Processing During Childhood	Landscape	22
Oday Al-Owaedi	Physics	Towards low-carbon emission molecular-scale computing	Landscape	23
Andrew Moore	Computing and Communications	Trust and influence in the financial world: a layered approach for text mining	Landscape	24
Marina Loucaides	Psychology	Understanding parental attitudes towards early screening for autism spectrum disorders	Landscape	25
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Daniel Britton	Chemistry	Controlled Ring-opening Polymerisation of Cyclic Esters	Portrait	34
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