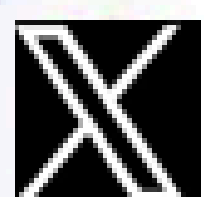


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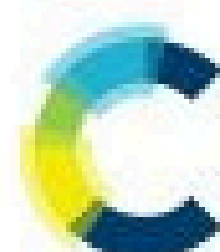
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### Synopsis

Synthesis is at the heart of drug discovery and development. The industry has increasingly demanded higher quality clinical candidates and has sought to exploit less druggable biological targets. Densely functionalised small molecules with a high degree of synthetic complexity are often the result of these demands. Successful programmes therefore require the application of innovative synthesis in all stages of discovery and development. The medicinal chemist's toolbox is also enhanced by the introduction of novel bioisosteres, often made available only through the application of new synthetic methods. This symposium aims to celebrate the crucial role of synthesis in the success of drug discovery and development.

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**Angela Russell**, *University of Oxford*

**Andrew Lister**, *AstraZeneca*  
Milligrams to Kilograms: Frontloading  
Synthesis to Enable Rapid Profiling and  
Shortlisting of EGFR Exon20 Inhibitors

**Xiayun Cheng**, *Pfizer*  
Synthetic Innovation as the Driving Force in  
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**William Unsworth**, *University of York*  
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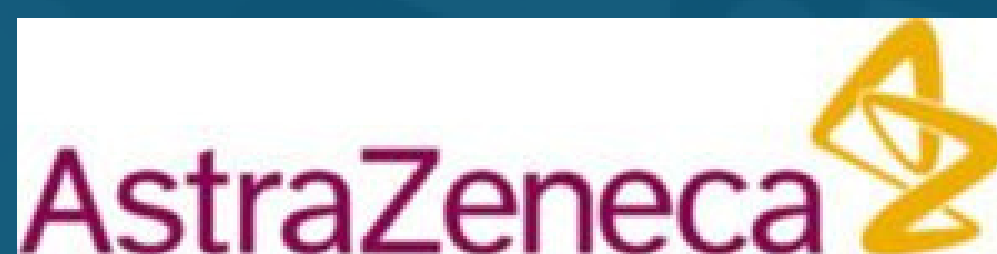
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