

# 75 Years of Polyethylene: Past Successes and Future Challenges

At the Dana Centre, London  
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A one-day meeting to mark the 75 years of scientific and technological development since the discovery of polyethylene by Reginald Gibson and Eric Fawcett on 27 March 1933

A series of presentations on the Discovery, Developments and Challenges of polyethylene together with the unique opportunity to visit the Plastics Exhibition in the Science Museum and see the original equipment used by Gibson and Fawcett in the discovery of polyethylene

Speakers: Harold Fielding, Jamie Hobbs (Sheffield), Peter Hine (Leeds), Walter Kaminsky (Hamburg), John Sale (British Polythene Industries) and Simon Sutton (Dow) plus Poster Session.

The meeting will start at 11am (10.15am onwards for registration and close at 5.45pm). Registration is £90, £45 for students and includes the registration and refreshments including lunch.

For details of participant registration, poster registration and the meeting please contact Sherrie Foo, Centre for Advanced Microscopy, University of Reading, Whiteknights, Reading RG6 6AF 0118 378 4616  
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Meeting Organisers: Professor Geoffrey Mitchell (University of Reading), Dr Fred Davis (University of Reading), Dr Susan Mossman (Science Museum) and Professor Alun Vaughan (University of Southampton)