

Published Histories of British and Irish Chemistry Departments

I was asked by our Committee in 2011 to compile a list of published histories of British and Irish university chemistry departments, and published a preliminary version in our Winter 2015 Newsletter (issue 67, pp. 5 online, pp. 812 hard copy). The list below embodies suggestions and corrections from readers and has been brought up to date. If there are any errors or new information please let me know (ffith@ic.ac.uk).

Most of these histories have been taken from a series of papers which appeared in Journal of the Royal Institute of Chemistry from 1953

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Cork. University College, Cork J. Reilly, J. Roy. Inst. Chem. 1954, 78, 610-616: doi.org/c3mnws

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Durham. The University of Durham C. C. Clemo and N. S. Brown, Roy. Inst. Chem. 1956, 80, 14-21: doi.org/dnc85h

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Liverpool. The University of Liverpool. T. P. Hilditch, *J. Roy. Inst. Chem.* 1957, 81, 190-198: doi.org/fv49b4

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See also what were or are constituent colleges of the University of London.

Manchester. The University of Manchester (Faculty of Science). G. N. Burkhardt, *J. Roy. Inst. Chem.* 1954, 78, 448-460: doi.org/fqw4kk

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Queen Mary College. W. J. Hickinbottom, *J. Roy. Inst. Chem.* 1956, 80, 457-465: doi.org/cp39f6.

The Chemistry Department at Queen Mary College. E. Bonnett and J. Light, Queen

St. Andrews The United College of St. Salvator and St. Leonard the University of St. Andrews. J. Read, J. Roy. Inst. Chem. 1953, 77, 8-18: doi.org/bqgrsj

Elements of Genius: the Legacy of Chemistry in St. Andrews. A 18-page booklet to accompany an exhibition in 2011 marking the bicentenary of the department, University of St. Andrews 2011.

The college is now part of the University of St. Andrews.

UMIST. The Manchester College of Science and Technology. K. Wood, J. Roy. Inst. Chem. 1958, 82, 755-762: doi.org/bmbkn8

In 2004 the college merged with the University of Manchester.

University College London (UCL). A. Davies and P. Garratt, UCL Chemistry Department 1828-1974 (St Albans: Science Reviews (2000) Ltd., 2013).

UCL is a self-governing College of the University of London.

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