Irish Radiation Research Society Conference Institute of Technology, Sligo Friday 30th September 2011

10.30 – 10.55 Registration/Reception, Main Foyer, Administration Building, IT Sligo

10.55 – 11.00 Welcome from Dr John Bartlett, Head of Research, IT Sligo

11.00 – 12.35 Session 1 - Room A0008 (Chair: Dr James Brennan)

11.00 – 11.45 Guest speaker

Professor Philip Walton, Emeritus Professor of Applied Physics, NUI Galway Nuclear Power for Ireland: Facts and Fiction

- 11.45 12.20 A Research Strategy for RPII, 2011-2013 Lorraine Currivan, Radiological Protection Institute of Ireland
- 12.20 12.35 Targeting Breast Cancer Stem Cells with FKBPL and Its Therapeutic Peptide Derivative, AD-01.

 Lana McClements, Queens University Belfast

12.35 – 13.45 Lunch - Administration Building (13.00 – 13.45 Irish Radiation Research Society AGM 2011)

13.45 - 15.15 Session 2 - Room A0008 (Chair: Dr John Bartlett)

13.45 – 14.30 Guest speaker

Professor Mark Birch-Machin, Newcastle University, UK

Stressed out mitochondria- implications for photo-ageing and skin cancer

- 14.30 14.45 Induction of DNA damage response pathways in primary normal human epidermal melanocytes exposed to long-wavelength UVA radiation Sarah Conmy, NUI Galway
- 14.45 15.00 Investigating the involvement of p54nrb, a multi-functional RNA-splicing factor, in the UV DNA damage response pathway Aoife Corduff, NUI Galway

15.00 – 15.15 Is the Target Dose Distribution Conserved with the Use of IGRT in Prostate Cancer?

Rajasekar David, University Hospital Galway

15.15 – 15.35 Coffee Break- Administration Building

15.35 - 16.50 Session 3 - Room A0008 (Chair: Dr Jerry Bird)

15.35 – 16.20 Guest speaker

Professor Carmel Mothersill, McMaster University, Canada **Emerging issues in radiobiology – the impact of non-targeted effects**

- 16.20 16.35 Genes Expressed in a Radiation Induced Bystander Effect Hayley Furlong, Dublin Institute of Technology
- 16.35 16.50 Investigation of intercellular signaling cascades in cells treated with irradiated cell conditioned medium

 Kishore Kumar Jella, Dublin Institute of Technology

16.50 – 17.00 Close of meeting and awarding of student prizes