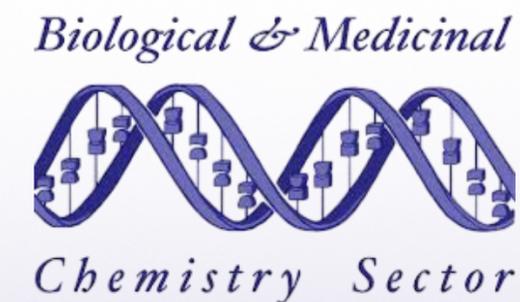


# Winners of the RSC-BMCS 12<sup>th</sup> Capps Green Zomaya Award for Medicinal or Computational Chemistry, 2026



The Biological and Medicinal Chemistry Sector of the Royal Society of Chemistry and the Capps Green Zomaya Memorial Trust are pleased to announce the winner of the 12<sup>th</sup> Capps Green Zomaya Award.

**Dr Leslie Burnett** receives the 12<sup>th</sup> Capps Green Zomaya Award for his work at Revolution Medicine Inc (USA) on the discovery and development of RMC-9805 (zoldonrasib) for the treatment of pancreatic and small cell lung cancers. In particular, the development of the first aspartate selective covalent warhead, and the first oral, selective, covalent RAS(ON) G12D inhibitor, representing a groundbreaking solution to covalently target a weak aspartate electrophile through rational tri-complex design. His work on RMC-9805 introduced an entirely new covalent warhead chemistry to the drug discovery community. RMC-9805 is currently undergoing clinical evaluation.

Dr Burnett will present the 16<sup>th</sup> Capps Green Zomaya Memorial lecture at the RSC-BMCS Med Chem Symposium on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 (<https://www.rscbmcs.org/events/hatfield26/>).