

2015 Macro Group UK Young Researchers Medal

The Macro Group UK Young Researchers Medal is awarded annually to a UK based scientist with up to 12 years of experience since completion of PhD on December 31st of the preceding year (exclusive of career breaks) and whose contributions to polymer science show out-standing promise for the future.



The 2015 award has been made to **Dr Michael Shaver**(School of Chemistry, University of Edinburgh).

Dr Shaver obtained his Ph.D. in 2005 from the University of British Columbia in Canada. He followed an NSERC post-doctoral fellowship at Imperial College with an appointment in 2007 as a Lecturer at the University of Prince Edward Island in Canada. In 2012, Michael returned to the UK as a Chancellor's Fellow and Reader in sustainable polymer chemistry at the University of Edinburgh. His research interests focus on improving the sustainability of industrially relevant processes by both the preparation of new catalysts that facilitate polymer synthesis and the development of new monomers, polymers and materials, with particular expertise in controlled radical and ring opening polymerisations. Michael's academic output is reinforced by collaborations with companies including Samsung, Synthomer, GSK and Axis-Shield Diagnostics.