

## Andrew Westwell

Prof. Andrew D. Westwell is Professor of Medicinal Chemistry and Director of Research and Engagement at the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Cardiff University, having worked in Cardiff since 2006.

He received his BSc (Hons) in Chemistry and PhD in organic chemistry at the University of Leeds (U.K.). Following a postdoctoral fellowship at Loughborough University (U.K.), he joined a Cancer Research UK Programme at the University of Nottingham (U.K.), initially as Senior Research Fellow, later as Lecturer. Following his move to Cardiff he has established a number of collaborative research projects focusing on breast cancer drug discovery, new synthetic chemistry methods, and cancer imaging by Positron Emission Tomography (PET). He has recently been a joint scientific founder of Tiziana Life Sciences (www.tizianalifesciences.com), taking research and IP generated at Cardiff University into a commercial setting, culminating in the launch of a London AIM-listed company progressing a new antimetastatic drug candidate through pre-clinical evaluation.

He has published more than 100 journal articles and reviews. Technology transfer activities have included a number of patent filings, and he was previously lead chemist in Nottingham on the development of a new molecule from discovery at the bench to early clinical evaluation in cancer. He currently serves on the Editorial Board of *Future Medicinal Chemistry*.