



SELECTED DEBATES

Listed opposite (grouped by subject area) is a selection of Debates on matters of scientific interest which took place in the House of Commons, House of Lords or Westminster Hall between 13th October 2014 and 3rd February 2015.

A full digest of debates and PQs on scientific issues during the 2013/14 and to date in the 2014/15 sessions of Parliament can be found at <http://www.scienceinparliament.org.uk/publications/uk-digests/>

AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND FOOD

National Pollinator Strategy	16.10.14	HoC 529	Sarah Newton
Food Security	27.11.14	HoC 337WH	Anne McIntosh
Food Hygiene Rating Scheme	11.12.14	HoL GC550	Lord Rooker
Bioeconomy	10.12.14	HoL GC489	Lord Krebs

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY

Communicating Climate Science	23.10.14	HoC 315WH	Andrew Miller
IPCC Fifth Assessment Report	20.11.14	HoC 153WH	Tim Yeo
Carbon Capture and Storage	20.11.14	HoC 176WH	Tim Yeo
Fracking	25.11.14	HoC 195WH	Norman Baker

DRUGS AND HEALTH

Antibiotic Resistance	15.10.14	HoC 101WH	Julian Sturdy
Medical Innovation Bill	24.10.14	HoL 859	
Off-patent Drugs Bill	7.11.14	HoC 1106	Jonathan Evans
NHS: Health Improvements	26.11.14	HoL GC332	Lord Kakkar
Branded Medicines (NHS)	4.12.14	HoC 525	Andrew Lansley
Drugs (Ultra-rare Diseases)	20.1.15	HoC 23WH	Greg Mulholland
Human Papilloma Virus	20.1.15	HoL 1278	Lord Patel of Bradford
Human Fertilisation and Embryology	3.2.15	HoC 160	Jane Ellison

IT, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCASTING

Cyber-bullying and Digital Anonymity	23.10.14	HoC 1146	Charlie Elphicke
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SKILLS

Young People: Alternatives to University	23.10.14	HoL 810	Lord Monks
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TRANSPORT

Autonomous Vehicles	16.10.14	HoL 397	Lord Borwick
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MISCELLANEOUS

Kew Gardens	16.12.14	HoC 463WH	Zac Goldsmith
Valedictory Speech	16.12.14	HoL 141	Lord Jenkin

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- inspire interest in plant and fungal science and conservation

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