

## About the editors



Dr. Ferenc Darvas acquired his degrees in Budapest, Hungary (medical chemistry MS, computer sciences BS, PhD in experimental biology). He has been teaching in Hungary, Spain, Austria, and the USA. Dr. Darvas has been involved in introducing microfluidics/flow chemistry methodologies for synthesizing drug candidates since the late 1990s, which led him to found ThalesNano, the inventor of H-Cube®, and the recipient of the R&D100 Award (Technical Oscar), twice.

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Prof. György Dormán obtained his PhD in organic chemistry from the Technical University of Budapest, Hungary, in 1986. Between 1982–1988 and 1996–1999, he worked at Sanofi – Chinoin in Budapest in various research positions. In 1988–1989, he spent a postdoctoral year in the UK (University of Salford). Between 1992 and 1996, he was a visiting scientist at the State University of New York, Stony Brook. Between 1999 and 2008, he served ComGenex/AMRI as chief scientific officer. In 2008, he joined ThalesNano and worked as a director of Scientific Innovation until 2015. Since 2016, he is a consultant of InnoStudio Inc. In 2011, he became honorary professor at the University of Szeged. He is an author

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Prof. Hessel's research is on microfluidic and plasma processes and their application to health, chemistry, agrifood, and space. He has published 502 peer-reviewed papers (h-index: 61, Scopus) and was authority in the Parliament Enquete Commission "Future of Chemical Industry." He received the AIChE Award "Excellence in Process Development Research" and the IUPAC-ThalesNano Prize in Flow Chemistry, as well as the ERC Advanced/Proof of Concept/Synergy and FET OPEN Grants.



Prof. Steven V. Ley obtained his PhD from Loughborough University, UK, and completed postdoctoral studies at the Ohio State University, USA, and Imperial College London, UK. He was appointed to the staff of Imperial College, London, becoming professor in 1983 and head of department in 1989. He was elected to the Royal Society, London, in 1990, moved to Cambridge University to the 1702 Chair of Chemistry in 1992, and was president of the Royal Society of Chemistry 2000–02. Steve's research interests include many aspects of organic chemistry, including synthesis, products, methodology, biotransformations, enabling technologies, and, in particular, natural extensive work on flow chemistry. He has been the recipient of numerous international awards, including the IUPAC-ThalesNano Prize in Flow Chemistry and, recently, the prestigious ACS Arthur C. Cope Award.