impact on human health led to her being co-opted onto the UK's Health Protection Agency. Anne has also made history as the first woman to become Master of her City Livery Company in 1990. Today we are privileged to celebrate the career of this most remarkable scientist whose work links to increasingly important research at BU.

My Lord and Chancellor, I have the honour to present Anne Silk, and I ask you to confer upon her the degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*.