

## 2018 VCT AWARD WINNERS

### Conservation Award

The winner of the 2018 VCT Conservation Award was naturalist **Tim Sykes** who works tirelessly through his role with the Environment Agency, and in his spare time with many other organisations and people including various Wildlife Trusts and educational establishments to ensure not only our chalk streams, but the wider environment, are protected and enhanced.



### Dissertation Awards

As part of the charity's continuing support of education, this year saw the first awards for the best Undergraduate / Masters Dissertations on research related to chalk streams. The worthy winners were:

**Alex Kulczyk** – Sc. (Hons) Aquaculture and Fishery Management: Watercress derived isothiocyanates: A study to determine the impacts of trace levels of phenethyl isothiocyanate on early life stages of brown trout (*Salmo trutta*)



and

**Lisa Jones** – Masters (MRes Advanced Biological Science) Thesis: Participatory Mapping of Cultural Ecosystem Services: Applying TESSA in Riverside Park, Southampton

