



International Association of Colloid and Interface Scientists

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A century of micelles

After publishing NL50 with the contribution on McBain, your newsletter editor received some notifications regarding upcoming events honoring the hundredth birthday of micelles. But first of all, Andrew Howe reminded me of the McBain medal that is awarded by the UK Colloid and Surface Science group and the Royal Society of Chemistry. The [2012 McBain Medal winner](#) is Dr Vitaliy Khutoryanskiy MRSC and we congratulate him with this award that was handed to him early January this year. No news has reached us concerning some more activity regarding the micelles' birthday, unfortunately.



Hans Lyklema notified us on the upcoming [IVth International Conference on Colloid Chemistry and Physicochemical Mechanics](#) that is to take place from 30 June until 5 July, 2013 in Moscow, Russia. The meeting is dedicated to the anniversary of the discovery of micelles.

Another event that is going to take place during the upcoming [245th ACS National Meeting](#) from 7-11 April 2013 in New Orleans is the symposium *One Hundred Years of Micelles: Advances in Molecular Self-Assembly* organized by Dr. Ramanathan Nagarajan. He also wrote a special article for a book chapter that may appear sometime in the future.

Ger Koper, [Newsletter Editor](#)

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News

IACIS2018: Call for proposals

The procedure for determining the organization and venue for the 16th IACIS Conference in 2018 has started. IACIS members are cordially invited to send their proposals by e-mail to the Secretary of IACIS, [Mieke Kleijn](#). Information in the proposal should include:

- Proposer(s): titles, names, affiliations, positions
- Place and time: city, country and dates in 2018
- Development and present state of colloid and interface science in this country; strong research groups involved in the organization (1 A4 max)
- CV of the chair (and co-chair) of the Conference.
- Other members of the Organizing Committee (preliminary list)
- Members of the Scientific Committee and International Advisory Board (preliminary lists)
- Main conference topics (preliminary list);
- Venue - description of facilities (main hall for plenary lectures, halls for the parallel sessions and their number, seats in each hall; hall for posters and number of boards)
- Accommodation - hotels, dormitories/hostels, estimated prices
- Social events, program for accompanying persons, post-conference tours
- Preliminary registration fees
- Financial support, sponsors

The deadline for submitting proposals is December 1, 2013.

The proposals will be sent to all IACIS Council members; the Council will take the final decision before April 1, 2014.

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Brothers and Sisters

The Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry is one of the most active Divisions in the American Chemical Society with approximately 2500 members throughout the world. The research interests of the Division members are inherently interdisciplinary and diverse, e.g., members investigate the interaction of surfaces with fluids having molecular densities spanning the range from liquids to ultra-high vacuum. Among disciplines represented in the Division are physical chemistry, chemical physics, materials science, biochemistry, electrochemistry, and chemical engineering.



The most important event is the Colloid and Surface Science Symposium and the 86th was held at the Homewood campus of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland from June 10-13, 2012. The Symposium was co-organized by Professors Michael Bevan and Joelle Frechette of Johns Hopkins University (on photo). The meeting included several initiatives such as the Langmuir student award session, free registration for all organizers and keynote speakers, and reduced rates for students and postdocs. The meeting included 536 attendees, 464 oral presentations, 49 posters, 4 plenary lectures, 13 technical symposia, and participants from 186 institutions and 18 countries.

Two plenary lectures and two award lectures were presented. The plenary lectures were *From coffee rings to phonons: the particles reveal the insights* by Professor Arjun G. Yodh of the University of Pennsylvania, and *States of particle dispersion in polymer melts* by Professor Charles F. Zukoski of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The Unilever award lecture on *Biocolloids in medicine: from cancer therapy to bacterial infection treatment* was given by Professor Liangfang Zhang of the University of California at San Diego; the LaMer award lecture on *Phospholipids, assemblies, and active transport* was given by Professor Bo Wang of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

For any other information, please refer to the [Division website](#) or contact the Secretary, [Howard Fairbrother](#)

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