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## Spring 2002 Newsletter

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#### Members of the Division of Organic Chemistry

You are invited to attend National meetings of the ACS and present contributed papers (oral or poster). Instructions for submission of papers are at the end of this letter in the section entitled "Information for Authors of Papers." Please read them carefully. Submissions should arrive by the indicated deadline for each meeting, which is published in the membership newsletter and C&E News (January and July) and posted on the ACS Website: <http://www.chemcenter.org/>. Members also are encouraged to submit brief proposals to the National Program Chair for contributed symposia at future National ACS meetings. Contact Lisa McElwee-White, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, P. O. Box 117300, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611. Tel: 352-392-3364, Fax: 352-392-3584, e-mail: [orgn@chem.ufl.edu](mailto:orgn@chem.ufl.edu).

#### Newsletter Update:

The fall 2001 and spring 2002 newsletters were not mailed out. Instead, they are posted on the internet with a link from the Organic Division Web page at <http://www.organicdivision.org/>. Members of the division are encouraged to check this web site periodically in order to keep current with Division news and other matters of interest to organic chemists. The Fall 2002 Newsletter will be mailed out. **Details are at the end of this newsletter.**

#### Paul G. Gassman Distinguished Service Award Winner

We are pleased to announce that the winner of the 2002 Paul G. Gassman Distinguished Service Award is William R. Roush of the University of Michigan. This award recognizes his exemplary leadership role in the organic chemistry community. He will be honored by the Division at the Executive Committee banquet to be held on August 20, 2002.

#### Travel Award Program for Outstanding Undergraduate Students in Organic Chemistry

Sponsored by Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development (a member of the Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies). The following recipients were honored at a luncheon at the ACS National Meeting, Orlando on April 8:

Jesse Carrick	Middle Tennessee State
Kirsten Griffiths	Clarkson University
Kathryn McMenimen	Mount Holyoke College
David Thomas, Jr.	Trinity University
Steven Staben	Western Washington University

Details and application instructions for travel awards for the 225th ACS National Meeting, spring 2003, as well as the National Organic Symposium (NOS), summer 2003, will be provided in the fall newsletter.

#### Call for Nominations for the 2003 Leete Award

Nominations for the 2003 Edward Leete Award will be accepted until **April 1, 2003**. Nominees must be members of the Organic Division of the American Chemical Society who have made outstanding contributions to both teaching and research. A nomination document should include:

1. A letter of not more than 1000 words containing an evaluation of the nominee's accomplishments and a specific identification of the work recognized.
2. A biographical sketch, including date of birth
3. A list of publications and patents by the nominee.
4. Up to two seconding letters, containing information not given in the letter of nomination, may be

included.

Nomination packets should be sent to: Dr. James R. Rigby, Secretary/Treasurer Division of Organic Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI. 48202. Nominations for the 2003 Leete award (to be presented at 226th ACS National meeting in New York) should be received by **April 1, 2003**.

For more information on the Leete Award and the nomination process please see the [Division's Web site](#) and click on Leete Award in the side bar.

#### ✔ Call for Graduate Student Fellowship Nominations

Please submit nominations for the Division of Organic Chemistry graduate student fellowships for 2002-2003. The fellowship is to be held during the student's third or fourth year of study toward the Ph.D degree. The award is based on an original essay prepared by the candidate, the students resumé, and three letters of reference. Full details can be found on the Division of Organic Chemistry's [Fellowship web page](#). Additional details for [preparation of the essay](#) are available. See our [previous award winners](#) page for sample essays. All application materials must be received by Professor Peter Wipf, University of Pittsburgh, Department of Chemistry, 219 Parkman Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15260 (Tel.: 412-624-8606; Fax: 412-624-0787; email: [pwipf@pitt.edu](mailto:pwipf@pitt.edu)) by **June 14, 2002**.

#### ✔ Awards Symposia, 224th ACS National Meeting, Boston, August 18-20, 2002

- **ACS Award for Creative Work in Synthetic Organic Chemistry** sponsored by Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc. to Professor Andrew G. Myers, Harvard University (out of sequence at request of awardee)
- **Arthur C. Cope Award** for outstanding achievement in the field of organic chemistry to Professor Robert H. Grubbs, California Institute of Technology
- **A. C. Cope Scholar Awards:**

**Xumu Zhang**, The Pennsylvania State University

**James S. Panek**, Boston University

**Robert M. Williams**, Colorado State University

**Alois Furstner**, Max-Planck-Institut für Kohlenforschung

**Carl R. Johnson**, Wayne State University

**Alan R. Katritzky**, University of Florida

**Masakatsu Shibasaki**, The University of Tokyo

**Madeleine M. Joullie**, University of Pennsylvania

**Matthew D. Shair**, Harvard University

**Karen L. Wooley**, Washington University in St. Louis

A reception for ACS members will be held at the Harvard Club of Boston on Tuesday, Aug 20th (5:30-7:30 PM), immediately following the A.C. Cope Medal and Cope Scholars Symposium (all day Tuesday), which is sponsored by the ACS Awards Office.

- **Tetrahedron Prize for Creativity in Organic Synthesis** to Professor Yoshito Kishi, Harvard University.

The Award Symposium will be held Monday afternoon in Boston (Aug 19th) and the other Symposium speakers are Stuart Schreiber (Harvard), Dan Kahne (Princeton), and Manfred Reetz (Max-Planck-Institut, Mulheim). A reception will immediately follow for the ACS members at the Harvard Club of Boston (5:30-7:30 PM), sponsored by Elsevier Science

- **Technical Achievements in Organic Chemistry Awards Symposium**

**Michael Castaldi**, Pfizer, Groton

**Michele Cudahy**, Pharmacia

**James Dropinski**, Merck, Rahway

**Claude Dufresne**, Merck, Frosst

**James Guare**, Merck, West Pointe

**Denis Har**, Novartis

**Timothy Hoffman**, Scripps

**Daniel Ortwine**, Pfizer, Ann Arbor

**Sai Shrum**, Ciba Specialty Chemicals

**Gary Shrum**, Proctor & Gamble

**Ronald Sorcek**, Boehringer-Ingelheim

**Bryan Sorenson**, Abbott

**Joseph Swistok**, Hoffman-La Roche

**Thomas Wilson**, Lilly

#### ✔ Contributed Symposia, 224th ACS National Meeting, Boston, August 18-20, 2002

- Modern Reagents and Methods in the Art of Organic Synthesis (cosponsored by FLUO). Organized by P. V. Ramachandran of Purdue University.
- NIGMS 40th Anniversary Symposium (cosponsored by MEDI). Organized by John M. Schwab, NIH/NIGMS.
- Donald J. Cram Memorial Symposium. Organized by George W. Gokel of Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis.
- Organic Methodologies in the Selective Synthesis of Small Molecules and Materials (cosponsored by INOR, FLUO, POLY). Organized by SonBinh T. Nguyen of Northwestern University.

#### ✔ Organic Division Web Site Update

The Divisions' web site has been significantly revised in November. Enhancements include separate pages

for each of the awards provided by the division, direct links to online organic journals, more sites linked on the links page, and many others additions. Please feel free to send comments on the usability and other enhancements to the web master, [Brian Myers](#) or [Jim Rigby](#), Secretary-Treasurer.

Also, a password protected page has been added for the Executive Committee members that includes descriptions of duties and helpful hints for future committee members of the division are provided. To access the secure page, visit the link at the bottom of the listing of the Executive Committee Members web page.

#### ✔ Job postings on the Divisions' web site

Over the past several months, several academic researchers and position seekers have found the Organic Divisions' online employment opportunities listing page quite useful. Typically, ads are posted on our web site within 48 hours of receipt. Best of all the service is free to members posting ads and of course those people looking for positions. We are also happy to list government and corporate position openings. Contact [Jim Rigby](#) with additional position announcements. The DOC employment page is located at: <http://www.organicdivision.org/employment.html>

#### ✔ Percy Julian Biography

On behalf of the ACS membership and with support from the Division of Organic Chemistry, the ACS Board of Directors recently contributed financial support in the amount of (\$102,000) to NOVA/WGBH for completion of Phase 2 of the Percy Julian Biography. Percy Julian was a synthetic organic chemist who was the first to synthesize a number of important antibiotics. The production should air on the PBS series, NOVA in late 2004 or early 2005.

#### ✔ Web site for Organic Syntheses is available

Organic Syntheses presents to the organic chemistry community detailed experimental methods in a standard format for the synthesis of organic compounds. The 79 annual volumes and 9 collective volumes published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc. are now available online. The site requires specific browser configurations and the ChemDraw Browser plugin. You can access the database at: <http://www.orgsyn.org/>.

#### ✔ Annual Volumes of Organic Syntheses

*Organic Syntheses*, Vol. 79 is currently in press and will be delivered as soon as possible. If you do not receive your copy or receive a damaged copy you can request another copy of the book through the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer. Additional copies are available upon request for \$6.00. Checks should be made out to the Division of Organic Chemistry and mailed to the office of the Secretary-Treasurer. For pricing and availability of back issues of *Organic Syntheses* and an order form, visit the [Organic Division web site](#) and click on *Organic Syntheses* in the side bar.

#### ✔ Organic Reactions Volumes

Current and back issues of *Organic Reactions* are available. For an order form and more information, visit the [Organic Division web site](#) and click on *Organic reactions* in the side bar.

#### ✔ Submission of Papers for ACS Meetings

##### Program Chair:

Dr. Lisa McElwee-White, P.O. Box 117300, Liberal Arts & Sciences, U of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-7300, Tel: (352) 392-2264, Fax: (325) 392-3584, [ORGN@chem.ufl.edu](mailto:ORGN@chem.ufl.edu).

##### Call for Papers for Upcoming Meetings:

###### ● The 225th National Meeting of the American Chemical Society

**Date/Location:** March 23-27, 2003 in New Orleans, LA.

**Abstracts Due Online:** [November 8, 2002](#).

Submit abstracts using the Online Abstract Submittal System (OASYS) at <http://oasys.acs.org/>. Include required 1,000 word description of oral or poster presentation (Div. Bylaw IX.1b) in online submission via OASYS. If you do not have web access, contact program chair before November 1, 2001. Deadline: Online submittals by November 8, 2002.

##### Clarification of Guidelines for Long Abstract Submission:

Over the past couple of years, we have noted some recurring problems and questions with online abstract submission. Unfortunately, word processing and PDF files cannot be accepted for submission because of issues in dealing with hundreds of articles for each meeting. Therefore, the Organic Division suggests that you limit your long abstract to 1000 words and include a limited number of figures and equations. The inclusion of a few paragraphs to state the problem and results, a general or key experimental procedure, characterization of key materials, and leading references will normally suffice. Hopefully, these general guidelines will facilitate the abstract submission process for all involved. More information on preparing your abstract for rapid upload to OASYS is available on the Organic Divisions' Author Information Web Page: [http://www.organicdivision.org/author\\_info.html](http://www.organicdivision.org/author_info.html).

##### ACS Requirements:

The bylaws of the American Chemical Society places the following requirements on papers that are presented at National ACS Meetings. At least **one author** of each paper must be a member of the American Chemical Society, unless all the authors are not chemists or engineers residing in the United States.

### Organic Division Requirements and Policies:

The Organic Division has the following bylaw and policies pertaining to ORAL and POSTER PRESENTATIONS submitted for presentation at National ACS Meetings.

- Under no circumstances should a paper appear in print in a journal other than as a communication to the editor before presentation. Responsibility for ensuring that this policy is not violated rests solely with the author(s). If a manuscript is accepted for publication before a Meeting, the author(s) should specifically request the editor to arrange publication in an issue that is circulated after the ACS Meetings.
- Submit abstracts using the Online Abstract Submission System (OASYS), at <http://www.acs.org/meetings>. Include required 1,000 word description of oral or poster presentation (Div. Bylaw VIII.1b) in online submission via OASYS. If you do not have web access, contact the Program Chair well before the deadline.

## What to Look for in the Fall News Letter:

### ✔ Fall Elections

Ballot for the election of various officers will be included with the fall newsletter mailing.

### ✔ Book Discount Coupons

The Division will no longer be sending out a hard copy **spring** newsletter via US Mail. Therefore, the book discount coupons that were normally sent with the spring newsletter will be sent out with the fall newsletter. We appreciate your patience in this matter.

### ✔ Referendum

On the proposed incorporation of the Division.