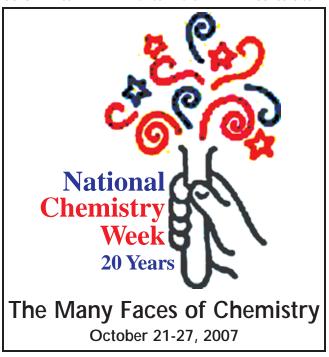


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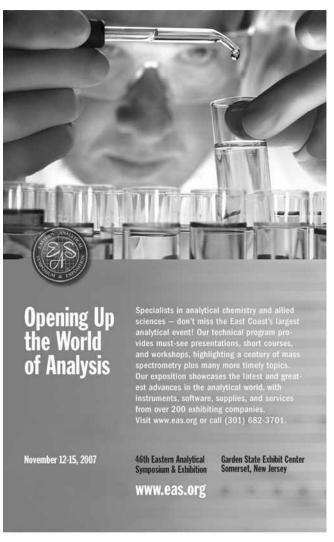
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#### October Historical Events In Chemistry

by Leopold May
The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC

October 1, 1867
Wilder D. Bancroft, a researcher in electrochemistry; was the founder and Editor of the Journal of Physical Chemistry and served as Editor from 1896 to 1932 as well as President of ACS in 1910. He made the first systematic study of oxidation cells.

## October 2, 1907

One hundred years ago, Alexander R. Todd was born. He did research in the chemistry of nucleotides and coenzymes and received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1957 for synthesizing nucleic acids

October 5, 1861
The Chemical Society of Union College, the precursor of the American Chemical Society, was founded on this day.

#### October 6, 1807

Two hundred years ago, Humphry Davy at the Royal Institution isolated potassium.

#### October 8, 1883

Otto H. Warburg, a researcher on respiration and cancer, was born on this date. In 1931, he was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine for his discovery of the nature and mode of action of the respiratory enzyme.

October 9, 1852
Emil H. Fischer was born on this day. He synthesized sugars, caffeine, uric acid, and many other chemicals for which he received the Nobel Prize in 1902 in recognition of the extraordinary services he has rendered by his work on sugar and purine syntheses. He introduced projection formulas for spatial arrangements of group around chiral carbon atoms, which are known as Fischer projections.

#### October 12,1865

Vladimir A. Kistiakowsky, who was born on this date, was a researcher in electrochemistry and thermodynamics.

#### October 14, 1898

John M. Gulland, who did research on DNA, was born on this date. He also used electrometric titration to prove existence of hydrogen bonds and studied the titration of phosphoric

October 16, 1875 Henry C. Sherman, who was born on this date, was a researcher on vitamins.

#### October 18, 1912

Hercules was incorporated on this day.

#### October 21, 1803

John Dalton presented the first experimental evidence for atoms on this date before the Manchester Literary & Philosophical Society.

October 23, Any Year
Mole Day, 6.02 a.m. through 6.02 p.m. (Mole time); Mole Moment: 50.453 s after 6.42 p.m.

October 24, 1877
Roger Clark Wells did research on sodium compounds and chemical analyses of radioactive minerals. He served as the Chief Chemist of U. S. Geological Survey and was born on this day.

#### October 25, 1891

Edgar C. Britton, who was born on this date, contributed to industrial organic developments.

#### October 29, 1923

Carl Djerassi, a researcher in structure elucidation of natural products, was born on this date. He synthesized medicinals, and applied computer artificial intelligence to chemical problems. In addition, he writes novels and plays.

#### October 30, 1906

Max Tishler was an industrial chemist who developed antibiotics, including actinomycin and streptomycin and synthesized vitamin A and riboflavin.

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#### THIS MONTH IN CHEMICAL HISTORY

Harold Goldwhite, California State University, Los Angeles hooldwh@calstatela.edu

A towering giant of the physical sciences, and yet one of the most modest and unassuming of men, was born on September 22, 1791, in Surrey, England, third child of a blacksmith and a farmer's daughter. Michael Faraday has always been one of my scientific heroes. He was essentially self-educated, and born and raised in humble circumstances. By force of character and intellect he became a leader among chemists and physicists. His life is an exemplary one, and well worth recounting.

The Faraday family moved to London when Michael was only 5, and when he was still in his teens his father died. His early education was fragmentary: "consisting of little more than the rudiments of reading, writing, and arithmetic at a common day school" to quote the man himself. At the age of 13 he became an errand boy in the shop of a bookbinder and stationer, and at 14 became an apprentice in the same shop. "Whilst an apprentice i loved to read the scientific books which were under my hands, and among them delighted in [Mrs.] Marcet's Conversations in Chemistry and the electrical treatises in the Encyclopedia Britannica. I made such simple experiments in chemistry as could be defrayed in the expense by a few pence per week, and also constructed an electrical machine ..." We see here the themes of chemistry and electricity which were to become the center of Faraday's scientific work.

In 1812 a customer took Faraday to hear some lectures by Sir Humphrey Davy, Professor at the Royal Institution. Inspired by these, and by his own reading, Faraday made careful copperplate notes of the lectures, embellished with drawings, and eventually sent them to Davy with a request to be considered for a position. Davy interviewed Faraday, gave him a realistic appraisal of the prospects of a career in science: "telling me that science was a harsh mistress and in a pecuniary point of view but poorly rewarding those who devoted themselves to her service"; and eventually appointed him as a laboratory assistant. Davy had recently married a rich vidow, and was reducing his involvement with the Royal Institution. In 1813 he and Lady Davy, accompanied by Faraday, made an extended tour of Europe and in Florence, Faraday assisted Davy in combustion of diamond at the focus of a large burning lens. Faraday was promoted in 1815, and in 1816 gave his first course of lectures and published his first paper, analyzing the native caustic lime of Tuscany, In 1817 six publications of Faradays appeared. His early chemical work included a variety of analyses, and experiments on novel alloys of iron. In 1821 Faraday was promoted again, to the post of superintendent of the laboratory, and this allowed him to marry, since living quarters were furnished for him at the Institution.

By 1824, when he was 33, Faraday had been elected to the Royal Society, had collaborated with Davy on the liquefaction of chlorine and ammonia, and had begun his work on the relationship between magnetism and electricity. He was also involved in some more practical matters. The Royal Society asked him to work on improving optical glasses. Faraday was a hard worker, and unsparing of himself. His laboratory notebooks, which have been published and which are models of note-taking, show how hard he drove himself. In 1827 he published a book on Chemical Manipulation which went through four editions, and is a wonderful source of information about how early nineteenth-century chemistry was actually done.

He took few holidays, and suffered periodically from fatigue and exhaustion. In 1833 and 1834, turning to electrical conduction, he established the principles of electrochemistry in what we now call Faraday's Laws. Seeking a nomenclature for this new subject he turned to Whewell at Cambridge, and they coined the terms so familiar to us all: electrode, ion, electrolysis etc. — all derived from impeccable classical roots. Towards the end of the 1830's Faraday took on yet more public responsibilities, including acting as an elder in his church. The weight of his burdens broke him for a while. He had to stop his scientific work for a year, and for four years he greatly reduced his lecturing and research. However he maintained one important tradition of the Royal Institution, namely the presentation of a lecture course around Christmas time to a juvenile audience. One of these lecture series is one of the classics of popular science, and has remained in print continuously from the time it was first given. I refer, of course, to Faraday's Chemical History of a Candle. If you haven't yet read it, you have a treat in store

Faraday's last years as a researcher were devoted to studying the effects of magnetic fields on light, and he did further work on gas liquefaction. The last decade of his life saw a great diminution of his scientific work, but he had well earned his retirement. He died on August 25, 1867. Let me end with a quotation from J. R. Partington, the eminent historian of chemistry. "In his time Faraday was a model for scientific men. Of humble origin, he rose by his genius to the highest rank of scientific eminence, and his moral character and integrity were on the same level."

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# **New York Meetings**

#### www.newyorkacs.org CHEMICAL MARKETING & ECONOMICS GROUP

#### Carbon Trading

Speaker: Jason Patrick Director

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Markets Group Evolution Markets, LLC

White Plains, NY

Date: Thursday, October 4, 2007 Times: Cocktails 11:30 AM

Luncheon 12 noon Presentation 1:15 PM Place: The Chemists' Club

40 West 45th Street New York, NY

Cost:

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# WESTCHESTER CHEMICAL SOCIETY

Fingerprinting Molecules by Proton NMR Spectroscopy

Speaker: Professor Abhijit Mitra
Department of Chemistry ar

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

College of Mount Saint Vincent

Riverdale, NY

Understanding  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking plays an important role in determining the properties and behaviors of biomolecules and their interaction with drugs and proteins. We have recently shown that  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interaction can be studied by hitherto unknown concentration dependent chemical shift changes, for a wide variety of heteroaromatic compounds, in 1H-NMR spectroscopy. Our initial findings were observed in quinoline, a common moiety in pharmaceuticals

and biomolecules. Thus  $\pi\text{-}\pi$  stacking involving quinoline molecules is an important phenomenon. Investigation of the  $\pi\text{-}\pi$  stacking in quinoline dimers, initially based on experimental observations from ¹H-NMR, has been extended to ab initio calculations of quinoline dimer stabilization energies and X-ray crystal structure studies.

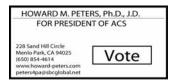
Abhijit Mitra was born in Calcutta, India, where he received his B.Sc. in Chemistry with Honors in 1967 and his M.Sc. in Chemistry in 1970 from the University of Calcutta. He then did his graduate studies under the guidance of Prof. Gilbert Stork at Columbia University working on the total synthesis of prostaglandin A2, leading to the Ph.D.degree in 1977. After a short postdoctoral research with Prof. William Clark Still Jr.at Coluimbia, during which time he codiscovered the, now popular, flash column chromatography, he went to Harvard University where he worked with Prof. Yoshito Kishi. There he developed reaction methods for the control of stereochemistry in acvclic molecules and then worked on the total synthesis of ionomycin. He then joined Rohm & Haas as a Senior Research Chemist in 1980. Dr. Mitra's love for research and teaching brought him to College of Mount Saint Vincent in 1988, His current research where is today. includes synthesis of biologically active molecules, molecular modelling and ab initio calculations and NMR spectroscopy.

Date: Thursday, October 4, 2007
Times: Refreshments 5:30 PM
Lecture 6:15 PM

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Westchester Graduate Center
40 Saw Mill River Road

Hawthorne, NY

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#### HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS TOPICAL GROUP

Can Technology Save the Planet?"

Speaker: Bernard J. Bulkin

There is clear scientific evidence that climate change is happening, and that it is caused by human activity. Stopping this is the most difficult problems that people have ever had to face – first because it involves action by all of us, everywhere, and second because there is no one thing we can do that will solve the problem. Fortunately, there are many things, and we just need to choose some and do them. Of course some require behavioral change, but there is also a big role for science to play, and for the practical outcomes of science, technology. In this talk I am going to speak specifically about chemistry and physics, including some apparently simple developments that could make a big difference to our life on

Bernie Bulkin was an academic scientist and teacher for 18 years, at Hunter College/CUNY and Polytechnic Institute in Brooklyn, where he also served as Dean of Arts & Sciences and Vice President for Research. He joined Standard Oil of Ohio in 1985, and then moved to London with BP in 1988, where he held various roles in both technology and business, of which the final one was Chief Scientist of BP. Following his retirement at the end of 2003, he has embarked on his third career, which includes a number of business leadership roles, especially in companies with energy environment interests. Commissioner for Energy and Transport at the UK Sustainable Development Commission and is a Fellow of New Hall, Cambridge University.

Date: Friday, October 19, 2007 Social and Dinner 5:45 PM Time: Caffe Pane e Cioccolato

10 Waverly Place at Mercer Street (South-west corner) New York NY

(You eat, you pay cash only, no credit cards.) Meeting 7:15 PM

New York University Silver Center Room 207 32 Waverly Place (South-east corner Washington Sq. East) New York, NY

Time:

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In case of unexpected severe weather, call John Roeder, (212) 497-6500, between 9 AM and 2 PM to verify that meeting is still on; (914) 961-8882 for other info.

Note: Street parking is free after 6:00 PM. For those who prefer indoor attended parking, it is available at the Melro/Romar Garages. The entrance is on the west side of Broadway just south of 8th Street, directly across from Astor Place. It is a short, easy walk from the garage to the restaurant or meeting room.



NY-ACS BIOCHEMICAL TOPICAL **GROUP — JOINT MEETING** WITH THE NYAS BIOCHEMICAL PHARMACOLOGY DISCUSSION GROUP

Targeting the Complications of Metabolic Syndrome - Diabetes and Inflammation

Organizers:

Loretta Bober Schering-Plough Research Institute

Judith L. Treadway

Pfizer Inc.

The prevalence of obesity in the United States has lead to a significant increase in the complications associated with metabolic syndrome, including diabetes. While many therapeutic approaches target appetite to address this problem, an increasing body of data has demonstrated that many of these complications can be linked to a disregulation of the body's immune system associated with this syndrome. In this symposium, we will investigate the role of the inflamma-tory mediators in the problems of metabolic syndrome. These approaches will ultimately lead to improved therapeutic targets to combat this medical need.

#### **Program**

Cytokine Action in Insulin Resistance: The Role of SOCS Proteins

Alexander S. Banks

Columbia University, New York, NY

Role of Chemokines in Macrophage Accumulation in Adipose Tissue Anthony W. Ferrante

Columbia University, New York, NY

**Oxidant-induced Protein Modifications** in Diabetes and Metabolic Syndrome Richard A Cohen

Boston University School of Medicine, Boston, MA

Inflammatory Markers and the Metabolic Syndrome Michael J. Quon

National Institutes of Health

Bethesda, MD Date: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 Time:

The New York Academy of Place: Sciences

7 World Trade Center - 40th floor 250 Greenwich Street

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#### NATIONAL CHEMISTRY WEEK

Theme: The Many Faces of Chemistry

The New York Section celebration of National Chemistry Day will be on Saturday, October 27 in the Great Hall of the New York Hall of Science.

to pay admission to the Hall or a Parking All entries should be sent to: Joan Laredo-Liddell, 391 Palmer Road, Yonkers, NY

Last year we had over 700 attendees. We

High School Teachers: Have your students

do a presentation at a local elementary school, library, mall, etc. Video tape the pre-

sentation and submit the tape or DVD by

October 19th. Winners will be announced for each subsection. Monetary prizes will be

awarded. On October 27, the students

would be able to perform their experiments

Elementary/Junior High School Teachers:

Have your students do a poster or an illus-

trated Haiku based on the theme: "The

Many Faces of Chemistry". A Haiku is a three-line poem with five syllables in the first

line, seven in the second, and five in the

should be submitted and illustrated on an

unlined 8.5" x 11" sheet of paper. Each

school may send in 3 posters and/or Haiku.

The student's name, school, address,

phone number and teacher name should be

included on all items. Winners will be

announced for each New York subsection.

Monetary prizes will be awarded. We will

use the posters and Haiku entries to line the

main hall of the Hall of Science. Entries

All participants and volunteers will not have

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#### SCENES FROM THE NEW YORK SECTION



Honored College Chemistry students with their instructors at the Westchester Chemical Society May meeting at Pace-Pleasantville.



Jean Delfiner, Westchester co-chair; Carol Sencen, who received A Salute to Excellence; Dr. Mary Cowman, Polytechnic University, 2007 Distinguished Scientist Award; Dr. Rolande Hodel, A Salute to Excellence; and Joan Laredo-Liddell, Westchester co-chair. Taken at May meeting of the Westchester Chemical Society at Pace-Pleasantville.



Members of the High School Teachers Topical Group who presented at "Demo Derby," at the group's May meeting held at NYU.



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The New York Section hosted a luncheon for the 50 and 60 year members and their guests at Tayern on the Green in Central Park.



2007 PA. MARM meeting. Donald Clarke, Anne O'Brien (District I Director), MARM HS Chemistry Teacher Awardee Sara McCoy (NY Section 2006 Nichols Chemistry Teacher Award), Joan Laredo-Liddell and Yorke Rhodes.



On June 4, 2007, the LIACS held its 18th Annual Outstanding Scholastic Achievement in high school chemistry Awards Dinner. It is one of our ways of reaching out and encouraging the high school students in chemistry.

The dining room was set up that at least one member of LIACS was at each of the tables where the students were seated. This brought about a dialogue with the professionals, students and parents. The event was sponsored by OSI Pharmaceuticals.

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# **North Jersey Meetings**

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#### NORTH JERSEY EXECUTIVE **COMMITTEE MEETING**

Date: Monday, October 22, 2007

4:30 PM

Fairleigh Dickinson University College at Florham Place: Lenfell Hall, the Mansion Madison, NJ \$5.00 - pizza dinner

Directions: can be found at:

http://view.fdu.edu/default.aspx?id=238



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#### **CAREERS IN TRANSITION GROUP**

#### Job Hunting??

Are you aware that the North Jersey Section holds monthly meetings at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison to help ACS members? Topics covered at these cost-free workshops are:

- · The latest techniques in resume prepara-
- · Ways for improving a resume
- Answers to frequently asked interview question and
- · Conducting an effective job searching.

The next meeting for the Careers In Transition Group will be held **Thursday**, **October 4**, **2007**, in the Rice Lounge on the first floor of the New Academic Building. The meeting will start at 5:30 PM and end at 9:00. There will be a Dutch-treat dinner. To get the most from the meeting, be sure to bring transparencies of your resume.

Please contact vikuck@yahoo.com, if you plan on attending this meeting

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#### **TEACHER AFFILIATES**

**Executive Committee Meeting** 

Date: Monday, October 15, 2007

4:30 PM

Chatham High School Place: 255 Lafayette Avenue Chatham, NJ

Contact: Diane Krone at 201-385-4810 or kroned@optonline.net



#### NORTH JERSEY CHROMATOGRAPHY GROUP

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Influencing Scientific Decision-Making in Drug Discovery & Development via Integrated Analytical Sciences and

Metabolomics and Metabonomics session

Session chair: Dr. István Pelczer Princeton University

Spectroscopic Approaches in Biomarker Discovery and Molecular Systems Biology

Jeremy Nicholso Imperial College Nicholson

**Integrated Metabonomic Studies** 

Nelly Aranibar

Bristol-Myers Squibb

Probing Dynamic Nuclear Polarisation Enhancement in NMR for Biological Applications

University of Birmingham

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 Date:

Metabolomics and Metabonomics Session 4:45 PM

Sponsor Hospitality - Evening Workshops 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Sheraton Bucks County Hotel

Langhorne, PA Free, but registration is required

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#### NMR TOPICAL GROUP

**Bruker Night!** 

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New Tools for NMR-based Metabolic Screening and Fingerprinting

Speaker: Dr. Manfred Spraul Director of NMR Applications and Worldwide Coordinator Hyphenation Bruker BioSpin GmbH Rheinstetten, Germany

NMR for long being seen as a tool to solve chemical structures now rapidly moves into mixture analysis, driven by Metabonomics and Food Quality Control applications. High throughput screening is needed to fulfil the stringent requirements of statistical data evaluation. Quantification of compounds in a mixture is the other task, which has to be preceded by safe identification, which especially in aqueous solution is not straightforward. Linking NMR results to mass spectral screening analysis allows to further enhancement of the information available, using statistical covariance analysis. Hardware and analysis tools needed are described and several applications are

Dr. Spraul holds a Ph.D. in Chemical Dr. Spraul holds a Ph.D. In Chemical Engineering and a Master's Degree in Chemistry from the Technical University Karlsruhe, Germany. Prior to joining Bruker BioSpin GmbH in Germany in 1984 he was in control of the analytical laboratory of the institute of Petrochemistry during his Ph.D., covering NMR, LC-MS, GC-MS and IR. At Bruker BioSpin he started as application chemist for NMR. Since 1987 he was manager of the NMR application group. Since 2002 he is director of NMR applications and responsible for NMR hyphenation on a worldwide basis. Main fields of work are Metabonomics, general mixture analysis, intelligent NMR-automation, databases and structure elucidation. He holds 10 patents in the NMR field and has about 80 publications in various NMR-applications and NMR hyphenation.

#### Door Prizes!

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 Date:

Dinner 6:30 PM Seminar 7:00 PM Times: Place: Woodbridge Hilton Iselin, NJ

Cost: Directions:

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# WE ARE GOING BACK TO THE LSC

#### **National Chemistry Week**

The Liberty Science Center has re-opened and you probably have heard about all the new demos. Why don't you join us on **Saturday**, **October 27**, as the North Jersey Section celebrates National Chemistry Week? After shar-ing some of your knowledge of chemistry/sci-ence by overseeing a hands-on activity, you can tour the Center and take-in the new demos. It will be a fun day for you and your

The theme for this year is "The Many Faces of Chemistry". This gives you great latitude as you plan your hands-on activities. It would be appreciated if you could get a diverse group of people to join you at your table. Your activities should be geared for 8 to 12 year olds. As usual our first priority is safety. Preferably presenters should use household materials to demonstrate a scientific principle. We would like the students to be able to redo these experiments at home and at school so it would be very helpful if you had handout instructions to distribute.

If you are out of ideas for safe activities for a If you are out of ideas for sale activities for a table, you can look at the NCW page at the ACS website. To minimize duplication of the presentations, we will need to know by October 2 the activity you would like to conduct at your table. Individuals contacting us first with their idea(s) will be given priority, so please let us hear from you as soon as possible. By October 12, we need to have the names and addresses of the individuals who will be joining you at your

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**Green Polymers in Cosmetics** 

Karl Krummel L'Oreal

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Poster Submission: Please send title, abstract and contact information to Jin Zhang (jin.Zhang@bms.com). If you are from acdemia, large corporations or local businesses, this is a good opportunity for you to showcase your research, network with other people and contact possible employers and clients. In addition to topics on green polymers, we are looking for poster submissions in polymer research in diverse areas, such as polymers in health care, advanced polymer materials, polymer characterization, etc.

Please note abstracts will be 400 words or less. No tables and graphics. The size of the

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Please register online at www.niacs.org.

#### SCENES FROM THE NORTH JERSEY SECTION





Bettyann Howson, Roseann McCarthy, and Diane Krone of the NJACS-Teacher Affiliates presented at ChemEd 2007 at the University of North Texas in August.



Members of Fairleigh Dickinson University Student Affiliates share the joy of chemistry with the community at Chatham Fest held on June 16, 2007.



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#### **GUSTAVUS JOHN ESSELEN** AWARD FOR CHEMISTRY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

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To nominate a candidate please provide statements from two co-sponsors as well as a brief biography of the candidate, a description of the work which has been recognized as communi-cating the positive values of the chemistry profession, and copies of selected, pertinent arti-cles. Popular news and feature articles should be included as an indication of public interest. Nominations and inquiries should be directed to Mr. Joseph A. Lima, c/o Karen Piper, 19 Mill Road, Harvard, MA 01451. Nominations should be posted no later than October 15, 2007. Joint nominations are acceptable. The Committee will review the nominations and the award recipient will be notified by the first of February 2008.



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from the pharmaceutical sector and academic arena. The founding sponsors of this Award include: Bristol-Myers Squibb, Hoffmann-La Roche, Merck, Novartis, Schering-Plough, and Rutgers University. The Award consists of a crystal plaque and a \$5,000 honorarium. The Section presents the Award biannually, on even years, to commemorate the scientific, technical, and industrial impact of senior members of the American Chemical Society and their men-torship of younger members. The Award is given in recognition of accomplishment in pure given in recognition or accomplishment in pure and/or applied chemistry, as characterized by the initiative, creativeness, leadership, and perseverance of the individual as indicated by published or unpublished evidence. "Accomplishment" for the purpose of this Award is understood to be that of a world renowned leader of unusual merit, with a specific emphasis on an individual who has cific emphasis on an individual who has demonstrated broad scoping impact in the areas of chemical synthesis, method develop-ment, bio-organic/ medicinal chemistry, pharmaceutical sciences, and/or molecular recogni-

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Please submit materials by November 30,

Professor Lawrence Williams Rutgers University
Department of Chemistry & Chemical Biology 610 Taylor Road Piscataway, NJ 08854



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October 22

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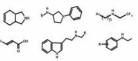
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