Thursday, April 30th

3rd Year Organic Chemistry Seminar Series (Remote)
Ioannina Castano and Aidan Caravana
11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Zoom: https://northwestern.zoom.us/j/386293717

Arrivals

Xuesong Li (Postdoc) joined the Stoddart Group
Charles Zeman (Postdoc) joined the Schatz Group

BIP

BIP meetings are canceled until further notice.

Opportunities / Announcements

Congratulations to Teri Odom

Teri Odom has been elected a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

https://www.amacad.org/new-members-2020

Founded in 1780, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences honors excellence and convenes leaders from every field of human endeavor to examine new ideas, address issues of importance to the nation and the world, and work together, as expressed in the charter, “to cultivate every art and science which may tend to advance the interest, honor, dignity, and happiness of a free, independent, and virtuous people.”

The annual induction ceremony for new members will be in October 2020.
DOW is now accepting applications for the 14th annual Dow Building Engineering and Science Talent (BEST) Symposium. Application deadline is April 30, 2020.

The BEST symposium will be held in Midland, MI on July 28 – 30, 2020. Dow’s BEST Symposium is primarily intended to introduce African American, Hispanic, Native American U.S. doctoral and postdoctoral scientists to the wide range of rewarding careers in industrial research, and in particular, the many opportunities with one of the world’s largest and leading chemical companies, Dow. This conference, developed jointly by our minority scientists and Ph.D. recruiting team, has valuable lessons for those in the job hunt process and gives attendees an opportunity to get to know Dow.

Applicants must be pursuing degrees in: Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Materials Science, Physics, or other closely related fields and should have a doctorate degree or expect to receive one by December 2021.

Additional information may be found at our website. All applications are due by April 30, 2020.
Outreach Opportunity: EYH Chicago Winter Organizing Committee

Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) Chicago - Winter is looking for organizing committee members to help plan its second annual conference in 2020! [EYH Chicago](#) is an organization that holds one-day conferences of hands-on STEM activities to encourage middle school girls to consider careers in STEM. EYH particularly focuses on providing these opportunities to students who are underrepresented minorities and/or are from disadvantaged backgrounds.

If you are considering serving on the organizing committee, please fill out the form [here](#) by **Friday, April 24**. We will contact you in late April or early May to follow-up. Note that we will not finalize the organizing committee until our May meeting, so you can still change your mind after filling out this form. If your availability changes after May, we can still be flexible.

If you have any questions, please contact the EYH Chicago - Winter co-directors, Andrea Thompson and Rebecca Rasmussen, at thompsoneandrea@gmail.com and rebeccarasmussen2023@u.northwestern.edu.

Postdoctoral Fellow Position at Worcester Polytechnic Institute

A postdoctoral fellow is sought to conduct research on aqueous photo-electrochemistry with Prof. Pratap Rao in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), in collaboration with the US Army CCDC Soldier Center. The position will start on or around August 1, 2020, and will be for 1-year, with the option to renew. US citizenship or permanent residency is preferred but not required. Candidates should hold a PhD in Materials Science, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering or closely related field, ideally with a background in one or more of the following areas: thin-film materials synthesis and characterization; electrochemistry; catalysis; photovoltaics/semiconductors; corrosion; reaction engineering; water chemistry; and environmental chemistry. To apply, please email a cover letter, CV, a statement of research interests, and the names and contact information of three references to Prof. Pratap Rao (pmrao@wpi.edu). Applications will be considered until the position is filled.