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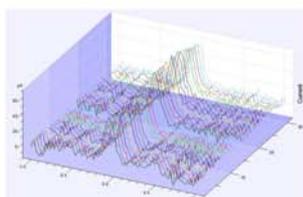
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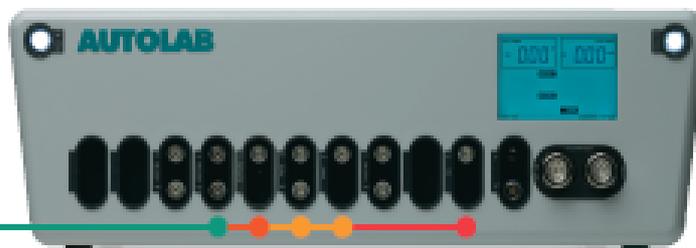
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## Editorial

Wow! It would appear (*q.v.* pages 7-8) that 2008 has been a year in which the huge impact that electrochemistry plays in UK chemistry has been recognised. This is a boost and a benefit to us all, especially in the light of the forthcoming EPSRC chemistry assessment, and the outcome of RAE2008. One marker of the health of a sub-discipline within a geo-economic region is the flux of talented young researchers engaged in its study (normalised by the cost of funding their research). We are fortunate since there have been many appointments to academic positions of young researchers in our field over the past seven years. To give some of these appointees *an opportunity to present themselves* to Electrochemistry UK, thereby hoping and anticipating a strengthening of the strategic position of our subject within British, European and International chemical science, this issue sees the launch of a *freshEYES* portal (*q.v.* pages 14-16; I am reminded of Chateaubriand's *Mémoires d'outre tombe*: "Personal fame only increases; the location of the Nile's source is only known to a few, but who does not know of its mouth?" [volume 19, chapter 3]).

I thank all those who have so generously provided materials for this issue, in particular the sponsors of this magazine, and all those who have provided feedback on this publication. It remains for me to wish you all a pleasant and an enjoyable time over Christmas and New Year.

Sincerely,



Editor

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**[electrochemistry.newsletter@googlemail.com](mailto:electrochemistry.newsletter@googlemail.com)**

# *A change in colours for RSC Electrochemistry Group*

A warm THANK YOU to Professor Patrick UNWIN who stepped down as Chair of the RSC Electrochemistry Group after Electrochem'08 in September, 2008.



CONGRATULATIONS and GOOD LUCK to Doctor Andrew MOUNT who is the current Chair of the RSC Electrochemistry Group.



WELCOME to Professor Doctor David FERMIN (right) and Doctor Katherine HOLT (left) who have joined Doctor Mount's team as Academic Representatives.



## *Congratulations to....*

Professor Philip N. BARTLETT of The University of Southampton, United Kingdom, recipient of *Electrochimica Acta Gold Medal* of the *International Society of Electrochemistry*, and a *Tilden Prize* from *The Royal Society of Chemistry* for his “original and broad contributions to electrochemistry and chemical sensors.”



Doctor Richard BROWN of the National Physical Laboratory, United Kingdom, recipient of a *SAC Silver Medal* from *The Royal Society of Chemistry* for “excellence in the application of measurement science to a variety of analytical chemistry problems. In particular in the areas of: environmental analytical chemistry, electroanalysis and surface-enhanced Raman spectrometry.”

Professor Robert A. W. DRYFE on his election to a Professorship in Chemistry at The University of Manchester, United Kingdom.



Doctor Katherine B. HOLT of University College, London, United Kingdom, recipient of the *Edward Harrison Memorial Prize* of *The Royal Society of Chemistry* for her “novel applications of electrochemical methods in the material and life sciences.”

Professor Rudolph A. MARCUS of The California Institute of Technology, United States of America, on his election to the *Spiers Memorial Award* of *The Royal Society of Electrochemistry*, and in acknowledgement of his “outstanding contributions to the theory of electron transfer and chemical reactivity.”



Doctor Frank MARKEN of The University of Bath, United Kingdom, on his election to the *Theophilus Redwood Lectureship* of *The Royal Society of Chemistry*. Doctor Marken is “distinguished for his research on both fundamental and applied aspects of electrochemistry, particularly involving liquid | liquid and energy-modified electrochemical processes.”

Professor George THOMPSON of The University of Manchester, United Kingdom, recipient of the *Corrosion Science Award* of *The Royal Society of Chemistry* for his “significant contributions to corrosion science which, assisted by pioneering approaches, have provided detailed consideration of the relationship between material structure, properties and performance, including corrosion control strategies through surface and near-surface modification.”





Mister Sumeet MAHAJAN of The University of Southampton, United Kingdom, who has been awarded the *Ronald Belcher Lectureship of The Royal Society of Chemistry* for his work on "SERS-melting for characterization of mutations in the human CFTR gene."

This is a remarkable researcher of significant potential; the editor had the pleasure to listen to Mr. Mahajan's awarded lecture at The Royal Society of Chemistry Analytical Research Forum 2008 held in Kingston-upon-Hull in July, 2008. The following is a brief summary of Mr. Mahajan's background taken from the RSC webpages; further information is available at the URL below.

<http://sumeetmahajan.googlepages.com/>

"Sumeet Mahajan is currently a PhD student in the Electrochemistry group at the University of Southampton working with Prof. Phil Bartlett. He has been working on the fundamentals and applications of colloidal crystal templated electrodeposited substrates for surface-enhanced Raman spectroscopy (SERS). He has especially worked on developing novel analytical applications based on SERS for detecting DNA sequences and distinguishing mutations.

"Prior to his PhD he has had an accomplished academic career having graduated from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur majoring in Chemistry. For his Masters degree in Biomedical Engineering from IIT Bombay he worked on conducting polymer sensors and actuators and got attracted towards electrochemistry. In between the two degrees he worked as a Scientist in Defence R&D Organization for five years developing analytical methods, improving and scaling up chemical processes.

"He has won several awards for his academic achievements including a Proficiency Prize at IIT Kanpur for his dissertation, an ORSAS scholarship and the best poster award among second year PhD students for 2007. He has co-authored 14 papers and is an inventor on two patent applications.

"His research interests lie in the field of Bio(electro)analytical chemistry, photoelectrochemistry and functional nanomaterials."

The editor additionally warmly congratulates Professor Emmanuel MAISONHAUTE, UMR-CNRS-UMPC-8640, Paris, France, who some seven years ago, engaged in post-doctoral research within the United Kingdom, and who was recently awarded the 2008 *Instrumentation Prize* of the Chemical Physics Division of the French Chemistry Society and French Physics Society, for his realization of equipment for ultra-fast electrochemistry.



## Notices 1



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## **RSC Theophilus Redwood Lecture**

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*Dr Frank Marken,  
University of Bath, UK*

### **Biomolecular Detection: Electrified Liquid Interfaces and Miniaturised Systems**

*Dr Damien Arrigan,  
Tyndall National Institute, University College, Cork, Ireland*

### **New Insights into Electrodeposition**

*Professor Robert Dryfe,  
University of Manchester, UK*

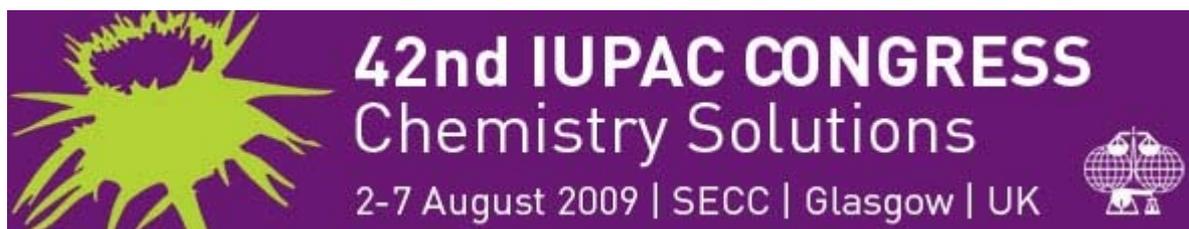
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**Wednesday 17th December 2008, 1.30 pm**

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## Notices 2



The 42<sup>nd</sup> IUPAC annual congress ([www.iupac2009.org](http://www.iupac2009.org)) will be held in Glasgow, Scotland, August 2-7, 2009.



*The Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) on the banks of the River Clyde.*

The *Electroanalytical Group of the Royal Society of Chemistry* is organizing a symposium on *Miniaturized Electroanalytical Systems*, which will encompass the latest advances in integrated electrochemistry within microfluidic and nanoscale structures and their deployment in bioanalytical and environmental detection.



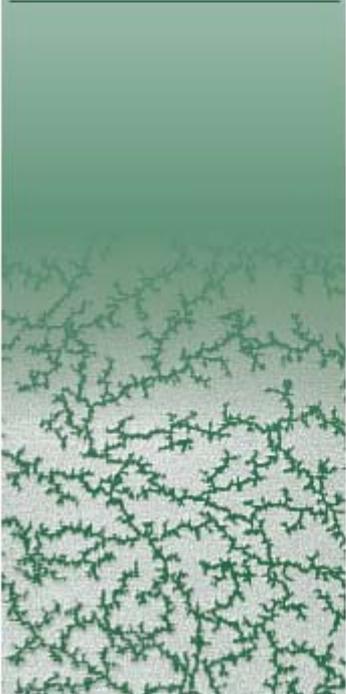
*Glasgow attractions: the Cloch Lighthouse (left) and the Gallery of Modern Art (right).*

The deadline for abstracts for oral presentations is 16<sup>th</sup> January 2009 and for poster presentations is 5<sup>th</sup> June 2009.

Please consult the website for further details: <http://www.iupac2009.org>

Any queries about the symposium can be directed to Professor Damien ARRIGAN: [damien.arrigan@tyndall.ie](mailto:damien.arrigan@tyndall.ie).

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## freshEYES 1

Doctor Tim ALBRECHT (right) joined Imperial College London as a Lecturer in October, 2006, where his group now works on different aspects of charge transport in nanoscale systems. Part of his current research interests focus on electrochemical charge transfer processes at monolayer and single-molecule levels in a broad range of systems, including small redox molecules, nanoparticles, proteins and redox-modified DNA in aqueous and ionic liquid media. He was the first to demonstrate redox-mediated charge transport through individual transition metal complexes; to use ionic liquids as gating medium for such experiments; and to probe charge transport through different charge states of small nanoparticles using electrochemical gating. Another activity involves the study of ion and biopolymer transport in solid-state nanopores for biosensing applications (DNA, proteins, peptides), particularly with a view on integrating small electrode structures to improve translocation control and detection characteristics ('electrode/pore architectures').



Tim is Member of the Royal Society of Chemistry, the Institute of Physics, the International Society of Electrochemistry and the Electrochemical Society, and regularly acts as a referee for a range of journals, including *Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter*, *Nanotechnology*, *JACS*, *JPC*, and *Electrochemistry Communications*. To date he has published 15 articles in peer-reviewed journals, (co)authored two book chapters and filed two patent applications. Since 2007 he is also affiliated with the London Centre for Nanotechnology (LCN).

Tim studied chemistry at the University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany, and finished with a master ('Diplom') thesis in Atmospheric Chemistry in 2000, after visiting Ron Cohen's group at UC Berkeley and the group of Nicolo Omenetto at the EU Joint Research Centre in Ispira, Italy. His interests then shifted and he moved on to do his PhD at the Max-Planck Institute for Bioinorganic Chemistry, working on heterogeneous charge transfer processes of artificial ('*de novo*') and natural electron transfer proteins on metal surfaces. During that time, he also visited the Instituto de Tecnologia Química e Biológica in Oeiras, Portugal (2001-2002) and Prof. Jens Ulstrup's group at the Technical University of Denmark in Lyngby. He obtained his PhD degree from the Technical University of Berlin in 2003 and then moved back to Denmark to join Prof. Jens Ulstrup's group again, as a postdoctoral researcher (until 2006).

Find out more on <http://www.imperial.ac.uk/people/t.albrecht> and <http://www.london-nano.com/content/lcndirectory/timalbrecht/>.



Doctor Katherine B. HOLT (left)

I have been employed in the Chemistry of Department of UCL since 2004, first as a Ramsay Fellow and currently as an EPSRC Advanced Research Fellow. I carried out my doctoral research under the supervision of John Foord at the University of Oxford, with a project on the fabrication and characterisation of boron-doped diamond (BDD) electrodes. This was followed by two years postdoctoral research in the group of Allen Bard at the University of Texas at Austin, where I was introduced to the technique of Scanning Electrochemical Microscopy (SECM) and undertook projects to understand the antimicrobial mechanism of Ag<sup>+</sup> and the electrochemical activity and distribution of dopant in BDD films.

My current research interests are fairly broad. I have active projects using SECM to probe the respiratory chain function of *E. coli* and mitochondria; fabrication and application of BDD ultramicroelectrodes; redox properties of undoped diamond nanoparticles; and biomimetic complexes of the hydrogenase enzyme for use as electrocatalysts for H<sub>2</sub> production.

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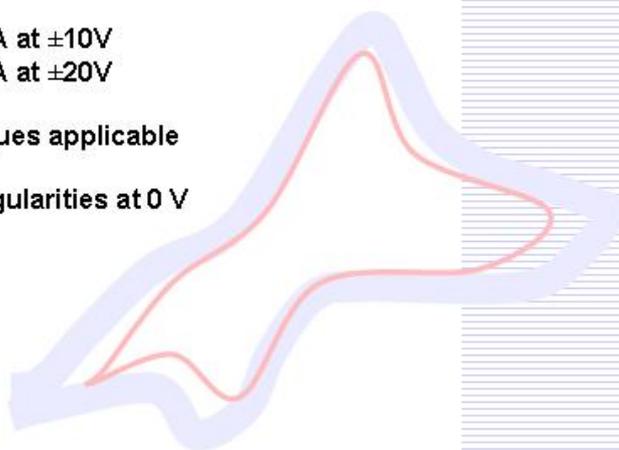
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## freshEYES 2

Doctor Craig E. BANKS (right) completed his D.Phil. in 2004 at The University of Oxford and undertook two years post-doctoral work at the same institution before being appointed as Lecturer in Analytical Chemistry with Forensic Applications at The Nottingham Trent University in October, 2006. In January, 2008 he took up the position of Senior Lecturer at The Manchester Metropolitan University.

Craig has published over 140 papers, co-written an authoritative textbook, holds seven patents and has spun out two companies (Oxtox, Ltd., - see <http://www.oxtox.com/> - and Kanichi Research Services, Ltd.) Craig is a prolific referee for a plethora of international chemistry journals and serves on the Editorial Advisory Board for *The Open Electrochemistry Journal*.

Craig has broad research interests in the areas of electrochemistry, electroanalysis, sonoelectrochemistry (the combination of electrochemistry with ultrasound), sono-electroanalysis, nano-electrochemical systems, enhanced electrochemical sensing platforms, nanocomposites, micro- and nano- scale architectures, electro-synthetic chemistry and green synthetic chemistry. Currently research is directed towards the pursuit of studying the fundamental understanding and applications of nano-electrochemical systems such as carbon nanotube and nanoparticles derived sensors.



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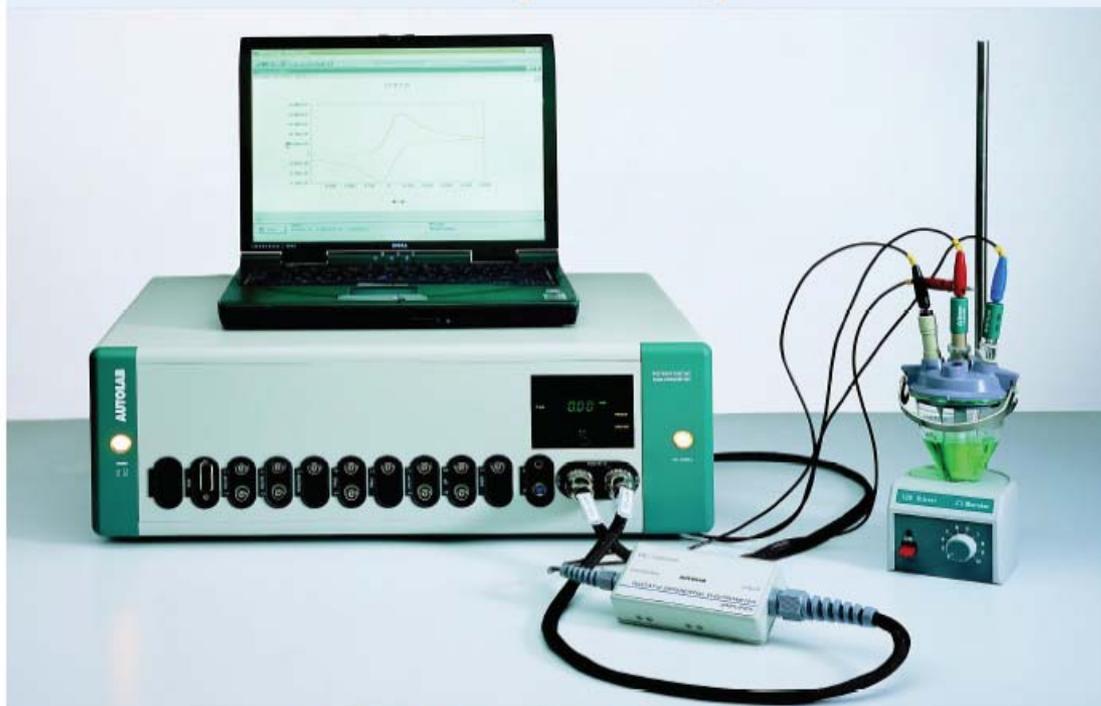
Doctor Darren A. WALSH (left) obtained his B.Sc in Analytical Science from Dublin City University in 1997 and his M.Sc. in Analytical Chemistry from ITT, Dublin in 1999. In 2002, he obtained his PhD in Physical Chemistry from Dublin City University where he studied heterogeneous electron transfer dynamics using ultrafast electrochemical techniques with Prof. Robert Forster. He then spent one year as a postdoctoral researcher at Dublin City University, studying charge transfer dynamics within redox polymers at electrode surfaces. In 2003, he moved to the University of Texas at Austin to do postdoctoral work with Allen J. Bard. In 2005, he moved to the University of Newcastle upon Tyne to take up a position as a Lecturer in Physical Chemistry. In 2007, he joined the School of Chemistry at the University of Nottingham as a DICE (Driving Innovation through Chemistry and Chemical Engineering) Lecturer.

Research projects in the Walsh lab include the development of new probes for scanning electrochemical microscopy (SECM). Of particular interest is the development of new probes for screening fuel cell electrocatalysts using SECM. Other projects in the lab include the development of fuel cell electrocatalysts on porous carbon supports using supercritical carbon dioxide as solvent. Supercritical carbon dioxide is especially useful as its high diffusivity allows access to narrow pores of the support material. The group is also interested in the development and applications of electrodes based on carbon nanotubes and nanofibres, in particular as supports for electrocatalytic materials.

Find out more on [http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/chemistry/staff/staffrole.php?id=ODA30TM5&page\\_var=personal](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/chemistry/staff/staffrole.php?id=ODA30TM5&page_var=personal) and <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/~pczdaw1/Electrochemistry.htm>.

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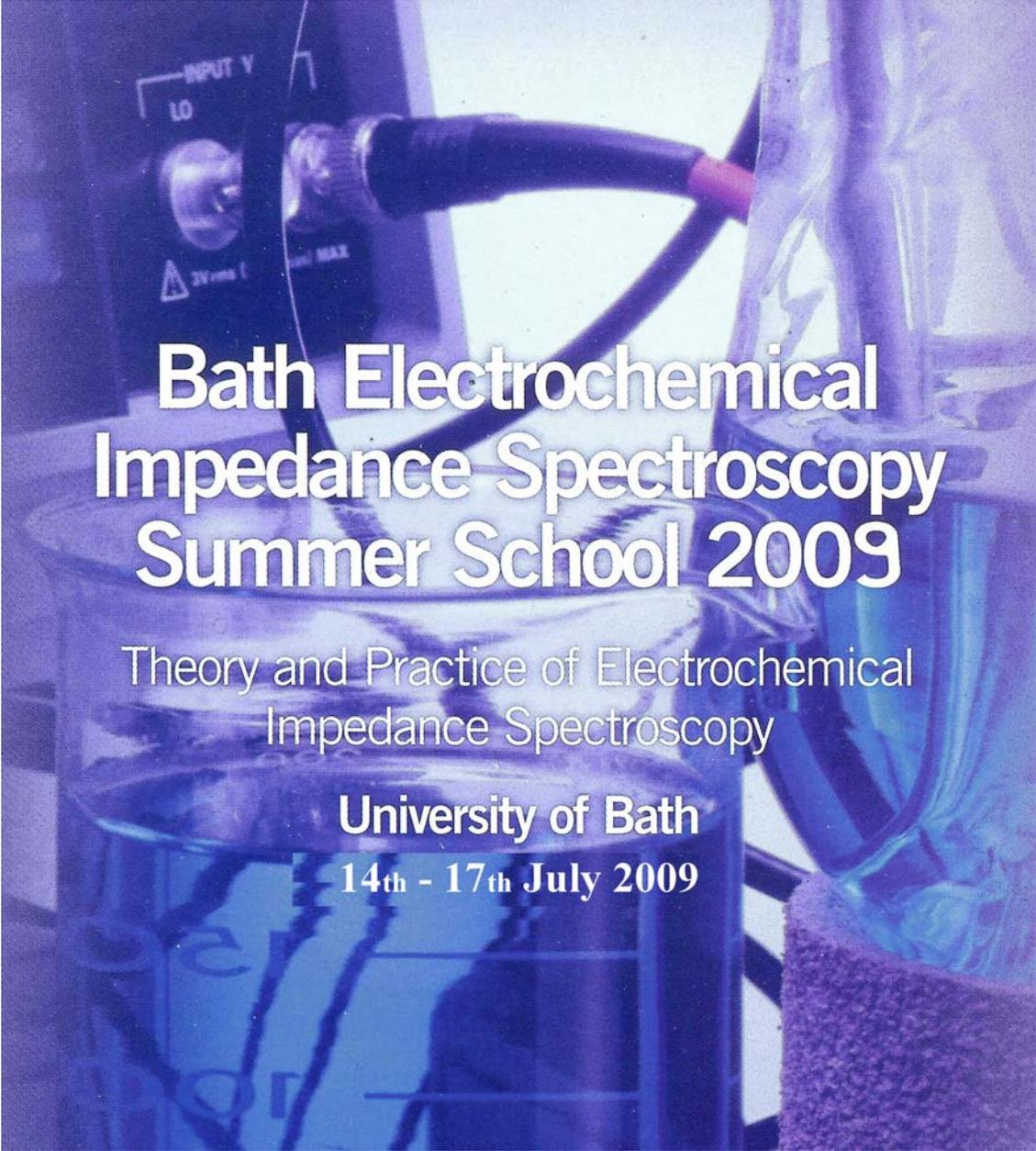
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## Meeting reports

The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the International Society of Electrochemistry  
September 7-12, 2008, Seville, Spain.



*Ms. Daniela Plana presenting her poster at ISE 2008.*

The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the ISE was held in Seville, Spain, organized by Manuela Rueda and co-chairs Antonio Aldaz and Christopher Brett. The subject this year was "Electrochemistry Down to the Molecular Level: Interfacial Science for Life and Technology". The attendance was great with over 450 talks and just under 800 posters presented over the course of a week, with some 1400 participants.

A wide range of topics were covered with ten different symposia taking place at all times, ranging from biological and molecular electrochemistry to electrochemical energy and industrial applications, including new materials, nanoscale technology and theoretical methods. Whilst it was interesting to have a display of the different aspects of

electrochemistry, it was sometimes difficult to switch between symposia and attend all the desired talks, especially as talk times were not strictly adhered to and the location and layout of the rooms caused frequent interruptions.

Seville presented a spectacular setting for the meeting, with bright sunny skies and a wonderful show of the mixed cultural background typical of southern Spain. The conference set off with registration and a welcome reception on Sunday, held at the Rectorado de la Universidad de Sevilla (originally one of the first Tobacco Companies in Europe), which allowed for meeting new people as well as seeing old faces, while enjoying Spanish food and wine. A couple of tutorial lectures were also given on Sunday, on Impedance Spectroscopy and Scanning Probe Microscopy.

On Monday, the meeting started with the presentation of the 2007 ISE Prize Winners and Award Lecturers. Philip Bartlett, from Southampton, was awarded the Katsumi Niki Prize for Bioelectrochemistry, for his contribution to the understanding of enzyme electrodes; other prize recipients included Chi-Chang Hu (Taiwan), Bruno Pettinger (Germany), Hiroaki Tsuchiya (Japan), Magdalena Hromadová (Czech Republic), Nuria García-Araez (Spain), and Priscilla Reale (Italy).

The day was rounded off with a sight-seeing coach ride from the Escuela Superior de Ingenieros, where the conference was held, to the city centre. Once there, a tour of the Reales Alcázares was arranged, as well as a walk around the Jewish Quarter and the iconic Cathedral and Giralda, symbol of Seville.

Professor Jean Clavilier (LEI CNRS, France) received the Frumkin Memorial Medal for his lifetime contribution to the study of interfacial and surface electrochemistry. Prof. Clavilier gave the first plenary lecture of the meeting, giving an insightful account of his work and the evolution of interfacial and surface electrochemistry over the last few decades. A plenary lecture was given each day, with Professor Christian Amatore (ENS, France) talking about neurovascular coupling between neuronal activity and blood delivery in the brain; Professor Henry S. White (University of Utah, USA) explaining the electrochemistry of synthetic and biological nanopores; Professor Richard G. Compton (University of Oxford, UK) discussing nanoelectrode arrays; and Professor Zhong-Qun Tian (Xiamen University, China) talking about electrochemical SERS. The different subjects covered by the five professors again showing the wide range of interests and applications in the field.

There were many interesting talks throughout the week, including a very enthusiastic presentation by Andrew Nelson (Leeds, UK) on a newly developed mercury-based micro-sensor. An insight-full review of biomimetic membranes at electrode interfaces was offered by Jacek Lipkowski (Guelph, Canada); while the ongoing studies of nitrate reduction were well covered by Daniel Bélanger (Montréal, Canada).

Countering the ever present studies of platinum, which seemed to dominate the symposium on interfacial electrochemistry and theoretical methods, Klaus Wandelt (Bonn, Germany) gave a comprehensive presentation on copper electrochemistry; when asked about his interest for copper, he replied that, "rationally it is an important metal for electronics and irrationally, he wanted to escape the obsession of electrochemists with noble metals!"

Julia Kunze (Erlangen, Germany) talked about highly efficient TiO<sub>2</sub> nanotubes, prompting an interesting discussion on different fabrication methods as well as useful complementing characterization techniques. On a completely different note, Cyrille Costentin (Paris, France) described concerted proton-electron transfers and different approaches to study the kinetics and thermodynamics of such complicated yet common-place systems.

The general assembly was held on Thursday, where, amongst other news, the next meeting sites were announced: next year's Annual ISE Meeting will be held in Beijing, China, and the 2009 Spring Meeting will take place in Szczyrk, Poland. An increase in the membership of the ISE was reported and the 2008 prize winners were announced, amongst them Philip Bartlett of the UK, who will receive the *Electrochimica Acta* Gold Medal in Beijing. The conference Banquet was held that night at the Hacienda Ochoa, with traditional Andalusian dancers welcoming and entertaining the participants. I would like to thank the RSC electrochemistry group for the award of a bursary, which allowed me to present my work (in poster form) at this excellent meeting.

Daniela Plana  
School of Chemistry, University of Manchester  
*Conveyed by Professor R. A. W. Dryfe,  
Manchester University, Manchester, UK.*

### The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the International Society of Electrochemistry September 7-12, 2008, Seville, Spain.

This year the ISE meeting was held in the heart of Andalucía in Seville, Spain. This was my second ISE meeting which I had privilege to attend, and still having great memories from the last conference in Banff (Canada), my expectations about this meeting was very high.

Spain greeted us with sunny warm weather and after 2 years of English rainy summers, it was amazing to have few summery hot days. Seville itself was an amazing place. I loved everything about the place: small streets with their hidden fascinating history, amazing architecture of Cathedral, the Alcazar with marvellous gardens. But still my favourite was the Santa Cruz quarter, with its charming narrow streets, flowered balconies and cosy small cafes. I think everyone who attended the conference would agree that the place was excellent for holding the conference.

The lecture theatres were located in the Engineering School of the Seville University. The topics covered were from a variety of different electrochemical research, specifically bioelectrochemistry, fuel cells, sensors, electrosynthesis, and nanostructures *etc.* However, the number of talks which concentrated on electroanalysis was, unfortunately, very low. The scientific contributions from all



Seville.



participants were good. The five plenary speakers included Jean Clavilier as the Frumkin Memorial Medal winner, Christian Amatore (France), Henry S. White (USA), Richard G. Compton (UK) and Zhong-Qun Tian (China) were inspiring. I also found other presentations especially interesting. These included talks given by Patrice Simon ("Nanostructured Electrodes for Energy Storage Applications"), Keiichi Kaneto ("Training and Fatigue in Polypyrrole Artificial Muscles"), Angela Molina ("Theory for the application of multipulse voltammetry to study of ion transfer across liquid membrane"), Aleksei Boika ("Applications of Hot Microelectrodes") and Danny O'Hare ("Electroanalytical methods for real-time measurement of neurotransmitters").

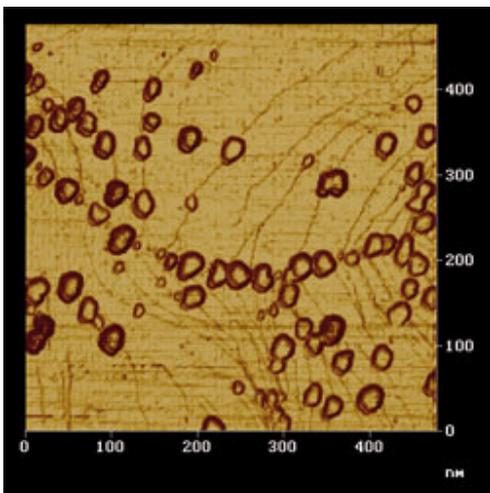
The Seville Meeting was attended by ~ 2000 participants. However, the only downside, in my opinion, was the lecture theatres themselves. Although they could accommodate the required number of delegates, it was difficult to see the presentations from some parts of the room. This caused significant problems for the speaker and the audience. Despite this drawback the general impression from the conference was good.

In closing, I would like to thank all the delegates for their excellent oral and poster presentations, all organisers and the Electrochemistry group of the RSC for financial support.

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## Electrochem'08

September 15-17, 2008, University of Liverpool, UK



*An in-situ scanning tunnelling microscopy image of bulk copper growth centres forming on a gold substrate. Using such images we can study how the solution chemistry affects the formation of nanometre-size metal particles on surfaces. Image and caption taken from SCI webspace.*

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual "Electrochem" Conference was held from 15-17<sup>th</sup> September at the University of Liverpool, the European Capital of Culture for 2008. Some 50 lectures covered topics as diverse and interesting topics as "Nanoscale Electrochemistry", "Electrochemical Sensors", "Electrochemistry and Sustainability", "New Developments in Electrochemistry", "Redox-Active Organic Materials" and "Electrochemical Surface Science".

The conference saw plenary lectures with a truly international feel, with Prof. Henry White (University of Utah), presenting his work on Electrochemistry in Synthetic and Biological Nanopores, using lipid bilayers for ion channel recordings. The 2008 recipient of the RSC Electrochemistry group Faraday Medal, Prof. Nate Lewis (California Institute of Technology), gave an excellent presentation on Photoelectrochemical Water Splitting, particularly the investigation of radial junction solar cells to maximise photon adsorption while maintaining short electron pathways.

The first day also saw two keynote talks, Dr Damien Arrigan (Tyndall Institute) gave an imaginatively titled talk on 'Chips and Gravy – The Development of Engineered Electrochemical Systems for Biomolecular Detection' and Prof. Alexei Kornyshev (Imperial College) agreed to step up at short notice, giving a talk

on electrochemically driven Oil-Water Bubble Deformation for optical applications, the computer gremlins not detracting from the presentation.

The afternoon saw parallel symposia on “New Developments”, “Sensors” and “Nanoscale Electrochemistry”, the last of which included interesting presentations on a range of areas such as DNA Bioswitches (Dr Andy Mount – Edinburgh), Direct Enzyme Electrical Contacts (Dr Jose Abad Pastor – Liverpool), Gelled  $\mu$ ITIES for Charge Transfer Across Interfaces (Dr Jorg Strutwolf – Tyndall), a highly energetic talk on electron transfer from Prof. Stephen Fletcher (Loughborough) and a follow on talk from Prof Kornyshev about optical filters.

Tuesday saw Prof. White’s aforementioned plenary talk, followed by keynotes from Prof. Gary Attard (Cardiff) on Biologically Grown Gold Nanoparticles, Prof. Alan Bond (Monash University – Australia) on the Electro/Photochemical Synthesis of Transition Metal Complexes and finally Prof. Peter Skabara (Strathclyde) on Semi-Conducting Organic Polymers.

The subsequent parallel session talks on “Nanoscale electrochemistry” were diverse, with topics ranging from metal and metal oxide electrochemistry (Dr Frank Marken – Bath and Dr Harm van Zalinge – Liverpool), Diamond Ultramicroelectrodes (Dr Jingping Hu – Oxford), Carbon Nanotube Electrochemistry (Miss Ioana Dumitrescu – Warwick), Paired Hemispherical Nano-junctions (Mr Robert French – Bath) and Bipolar Voltammetry (Miss Daniela Plana – Manchester). At the end of the afternoon, the “Electrochemistry and Sustainability” session was dominated by the major theme during Electrochem’08; photo-electrochemistry, with talks from Dr Upul Wijayantha (Loughborough), Mr Graham Dale (Ulster) and Dr Stephen Dennison (Imperial) on various aspects of semiconductor electrochemistry.

The final day was preceded by an excellent conference dinner at the historic Adelphi Hotel, resulting in the tardy start to Wednesday. Prof. David Schiffrin (Liverpool) got proceedings going with a keynote talk on Platinum Nanoparticle Growth, with the rest of the morning “Sustainability” session dominated by more applied electrochemistry. Prof Sudipta Roy (Newcastle) presented early progress on Copper Recovery from Tin-Strip Solutions, whilst Dr Andrew Campen (Arvia Technology) presented a Novel Packed Bed Reactor for Waste Water Treatment. The remaining three talks focused on aspects of Redox Flow batteries: Prof. Frank Walsh (Southampton) discussed the All-Vanadium Battery, Dr Scott Lilley (Plurion Limited) talked about the Cerium-Zinc cell and Dr Daniel Scamman (CMR Fuel Cells) presented a Polysulphide-Bromide variant.

The poster session was diverse and excellent in quality; however only one person could win the prize for best poster: this went deservedly to Xiaohang Zhang from the University of Bath, for her work on Triple-Phase Boundary Electrochemistry of Oils at Boron-Doped Diamond Electrodes.

In spite of the excellent work done by the lead organiser, Dr. Simon Higgins, just over 100 people attended the conference, which should be a matter of some concern to the electrochemical community. Ways to enhance the meeting before next year’s event, in Manchester, are under discussion.

Jeffrey Martin (Postgraduate student)  
School of Chemistry, University of Manchester  
*Conveyed by Professor R. A. W. Dryfe,  
Manchester University, Manchester, UK.*

The 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Fundamental and Applied Aspects of  
Physical Chemistry

September 24-46, 2008, Belgrade, Serbia



Viminacium – old Roman city 100 km away from Belgrade

The 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Fundamental and Applied Aspects of Physical Chemistry was held in Belgrade, Serbia, from 24<sup>th</sup> till 26<sup>th</sup> of September. The conference was organized by the Society of Physical Chemists of Serbia in the glorious Serbian capital every other year. This year the conference was slightly more special than previous years since this year's conference was dedicated to honour the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the University of Belgrade.

Topics from different areas of physical chemistry were explored, including spectroscopy and molecular structure, kinetics and catalysis, nonlinear dynamics, electrochemistry and other related areas. The program of the conference included six invited plenary lectures, 22 invited lectures and 184 contributions, given as either oral or poster presentations by 480 authors from 23 countries.

One of the noted plenary lectures was given by Professor Richard G. Compton from the University of Oxford, UK, on "*Design, characterisation and applications of nanoelectrode arrays*". The lecture highlighted recent work carried out in Professor Compton's group on methods of fabricating and characterizing arrays of micro- and nano-electrodes. Examples of electroanalytical applications of nanoparticle arrays were presented as well, including multi-metal nanoparticle arrays for combinatorial electrochemistry. Other plenary lectures were given by Bernard Cretin (France), Jana Hajslova (Czech), Semion Kuchanov (Russia) and Roger Leblan (USA). All contributed papers, accepted for the Conference, were published in the Conference Proceedings with Chemical Abstracts indexing, and selected papers will be published in the Russian Journal of Physical Chemistry as articles.

As in keeping with conferences, a social element was included where participants visited Viminacium, one of the most important Roman cities in Serbia, 150 km away from the capital. "Viminacium was devastated and destroyed in the middle of the 5th century, and it remained forgotten and buried like Pompeii." The remains of the Roman town and the military camp represent a site of exceptional importance and thereafter Viminacium has often been called the Balkan Pompeii. Today the foundations of the Roman houses from the 3<sup>rd</sup> century BCE, together with the remnants of the town trenches, and the castrum, can be seen. More interestingly, a necropolis decorated by frescos has recently been excavated. The coloured frescos represent peacocks, reindeers or horsemen being attacked by lions. Around these remains lie more than 2000 Roman tombs.

The participants also visited the main tourist points of Belgrade including the Belgrade fortress and Kalemegdan, as well as Skadarlija, an old Bohemian street. This cobblestone promenade is a place where one can find well-known restaurants with typical national cuisine, art galleries, and antique and souvenir shops; groups singing traditional city music and actors dressed in traditional costumes perform freely down the street.

Dr Biljana Šljukić,  
University of Belgrade, Serbia  
Conveyed by Dr. Craig E. Banks,  
Manchester Metropolitan University, Manchester, UK

## *Student Conference Bursaries*

The Student Bursary Scheme provides financial support to promising postgraduate students to attend a major electrochemistry conference abroad. This includes UK based students travelling to a conference abroad and students based abroad wishing to attend a conference in the UK. The Bursary Scheme is open to all postgraduate student members of the RSC's Electrochemistry Group undertaking research in electrochemistry. Applications shall consist of:

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- (ii) the abstract submitted to the conference organisers,
- (iii) one A4 page *curriculum vitae* stressing academic and scientific achievements (e.g., research articles, oral and poster presentations *made by the applicant*).

Applications may be made at any time of the year and shall be submitted to the Group Secretary in electronic form.

The selection committee of the Electrochemistry Group shall decide the sum awarded. Under normal circumstances this sum shall not exceed £300.

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## Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday Allen Bard!



*Allen Bard with former postdocs at the SECM workshop, Falcade, 2006. From left to right: Guy Denuault, Mike Mirkin (City University New York), Dave Wipf (Mississippi State University), Pat Unwin, Allen Bard, Dani Mandler (Hebrew University, Jerusalem), Shigeru Amemiya (University of Pittsburgh).*

December 18<sup>th</sup> 2008 will see the 75<sup>th</sup> birthday of Allen Bard, of the University of Texas at Austin, generally regarded as the major figure and influence on modern electrochemistry.

Al Bard was born in New York City and after graduating from the City College New York, went on to study for a PhD at Harvard University in 1955. His first supervisor was the young British Chemist, Geoffrey Wilkinson, and save for the fact that Wilkinson was not given tenure at Harvard (leaving in January 1956), the course of inorganic chemistry and electrochemistry might have been very different! Al went on to graduate from Harvard in 1958 with a PhD in electrochemistry (supervisor J. J. Lingane).

With Al Bard moving in 1958 to a faculty position at the University of Texas at Austin, 2008 also marks the half-century of the development of electrochemistry in Austin. Al began as an Instructor and progressed through the ranks to the Hackerman-Welch Regents Chair which he has held since

1985. During Al's time, Austin has become a major institution for electrochemistry research, a position that has been consolidated through the recent creation of the Center for Electrochemistry (<http://cec.cm.utexas.edu/>), involving electrochemists and materials scientists from across the Austin campus.

Al's scientific contributions are immense and have provided a foundation for many important areas of electrochemistry. They include the discovery of electrogenerated chemiluminescence (ECL), the invention of scanning electrochemical microscopy (SECM), and major contributions to photoelectrochemistry, including key initial work on semiconductor photocatalysis and photosynthesis. Al played a major role, starting in the early 1980s, in the developing the idea of *Integrated Chemical Systems*, which is a significant theme in nanotechnology today, and is written up in wonderful style in his classic text of the same name (published in 1994). Al's studies of electrode reactions have been many and varied and include the introduction of new techniques into mechanistic electrochemistry, such as electron spin resonance (ESR), in the 1970s, the investigation of reactions under extreme conditions (in the 1970s and 1980s), and many contributions to the area of chemically functionalised interfaces.

Al has had an extensive influence on many generations of electrochemists. Well in excess of 200 postdoctoral fellows and PhD students have been through his group, many of whom have gone on to set up their own groups in academia and industry. His seminal text with Larry Faulkner, *Electrochemical Methods: Fundamentals and applications* (1980 and 2001) continues to be regarded as 'the bible' of electrochemistry! In the UK, Derek Craston (presently Government Chemist), Guy Denuault (Southampton University), Ben Horrocks (Newcastle University), Katherine Holt (UCL), Darren Walsh (Nottingham) and the author of this birthday tribute are among those who have benefited enormously from working with Al as postdoctoral fellows. Al creates an environment in his group which encourages exploration and creativity; and mirrors the creativity and excitement of Austin as a university and city. Al gives his co-workers freedom to pursue their interests, with just the right amount of encouragement for each individual. Al Bard is not only a great scientist, but a great person, of generous spirit with a real knack of developing the potential of every person who works with him.

On this auspicious occasion, we in the UK send Al Bard Many Happy Returns and wish him All The Best For The Future.

Patrick Unwin  
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Electroactive composition materials (Organizers – A.V. Vannikov, E.I. Mal'tsev)  
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#### ISE AWARDS

The International Society of Electrochemistry offers a number of awards; further details are available on the ISE website:

<http://www.ise-online.org/awards/index.php>.

All award winners will be announced at the Annual Meeting following the nomination/application deadline which is provided on the web site of the Society.

#### The [Electrochimica Acta Gold Medal](#)

may be awarded every two years to the person judged to have made the most significant contribution to electrochemistry in recent years.

Next award: 2008.

Nominations: from *01 February to 01 May, 2010*

Chair of the Award Committee: Sergio Trasatti.

#### The [Tajima Prize](#)

recognises the contributions made by younger electrochemists. Candidates must be less than 40 years old. An award may be made every year. The decision of the Award Committee will be based on published work.

Next award: 2009.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*

Chair of the Award Committee: To be announced.

#### The [Prix Jacques Tacussel](#)

may be awarded every two years to a person who has made important contributions to an electrochemical technique.

Next award: 2009.

Nominations: from *01 February to 01 May 2009*

Chair of the Award Committee: to be appointed by an ISE Executive Committee.

#### The [Hans-Jürgen Engell Prize](#)

may be awarded annually to a young electrochemist on the basis of published work in the field of corrosion, electrodeposition or surface treatment.

Next award: 2008.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: To be announced.

The [Oronzio and Niccolò](#) De Nora Foundation  
Young Author Prize

May be awarded annually to a scientist of less than 30 years of age for the best paper published in the ISE Society journal in the calendar year preceding the award.

Next award: 2008.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: To be announced.

The [Klaus-Jürgen Vetter Prize for Electrochemical Kinetics](#)

This is a joint prize of the ISE, the Fachgruppe Angewandte Elektrochemie of the Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (Society of German Chemists), DECHEMA e.V., and the Deutsche Bunsengesellschaft für Physikalische Chemie. It may be awarded biannually to a person of less than 40 years of age for distinguished contributions to the field of electrochemical kinetics.

Next award: 2009.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: to be appointed by the ISE Executive Committee.

The [Frumkin Memorial Medal](#)

This medal may be given once every two years. It recognises the outstanding contribution of a living individual over his/her life in the field of fundamental electrochemistry.

Next award: 2009.

Nominations: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: to be elected by the committee members.

The [Oronzio and Niccolò](#) De Nora Foundation  
Prize of the ISE on Environmental  
Electrochemistry

The prize may be awarded annually to a scientist of less than 35 years on 01 January of the year of the award for recent application-oriented achievements in the field of environmental electrochemistry.

Next award: 2009.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: To be announced.

The [Oronzio and Niccolò](#) may be awarded annually to a scientist of less than 35 years of age on 01 January of the year of the award, for recent application-oriented achievements in the field of applied electrochemistry.

Next award: 2009.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: To be announced.

The [Katsumi Niki Prize for Bioelectrochemistry](#)

may be awarded every two years to a scientist who has made an important contribution to the field of bioelectrochemistry.

Next award: 2009.

Nominations: from *01 February to 01 May, 2009*.

Chair of the Award Committee: Lo Gorton.

Bioelectrochemistry Prize of ISE Division 2

This prize may be awarded every two years to a scientist who has made an important contribution to the field of bioelectrochemistry.

Next award: 2010.

Applications: from *01 February to 01 May, 2010*.

Chair of the Award Committee: to be announced.

Brian Conway Prize for Physical Electrochemistry

The Brian Conway Prize for Physical Electrochemistry may be awarded every two years, in recognition of the most successful achievements in Physical Electrochemistry in recent years.

Next award: 2010.

Nominations: from *01 February to 01 May, 2010*.

Chair of the Award Committee: To be announced.

The Electrochimica Acta Travel Award for Young  
Electrochemists

favours the participation of young electrochemists in the ISE Annual Meeting. Applicants must be ISE members who have obtained their PhD not earlier than 6 years before the deadline for applications. Candidates should apply on their own behalf. The winners will give an oral presentation at the ISE Annual Meeting.

Next award: 2009.

Applications: not later than *31 January, 2009*.

Award Committee: The four Vice-Presidents of the ISE.

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