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NEW DIRECTIONS

This year marks the Geochemical Society's 58th anniversary. Two years after its formation, the Society began its sponsorship of the journal *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta* (GCA). Last year, GCA's 5-year impact factor was 4.589, placing it among the top three journals in the category of geochemistry and geophysics. The journal recently weathered a difficult transition in executive editors, but now has settled down under the direction of

Marc Norman and a revitalized group of associate editors, who have returned manuscript handling to the levels of efficiency and fairness that are among GCA's traditional strengths. The Geochemical Society (GS) recently voted to provide the GCA associate editors with free membership in the Society, at best a small reward for the services provided by these volunteers, who are among the many working selflessly in the Society for the benefit of the geochemical community.

Twenty-five years ago, the Society hosted the first Goldschmidt Conference. Last year's Goldschmidt Conference in Montreal attracted 2968 participants, not quite a factor of six more than attended the first Goldschmidt held in a small hotel just off the Baltimore Beltway. As this year's Goldschmidt in Florence approaches, ably managed by our colleagues in the EAG, planning has already started in earnest for the 2014 Goldschmidt in California. Paul Renne and his Local Organizing Committee plan to take advantage of Sacramento's central location to mate the meeting symposia with field trips to nearby world-class geologic features, such as the granites of Yosemite and the ophiolites of the Franciscan. The meeting will also explore a number of broad environmental issues that are expressed in the central California Great Basin, home to a vast array of agricultural activities and the largest wine-producing region in the Americas. The chairs of the 2014 International Program Committee, Adina Paytan and Dominique Weis, are working on assembling the rest of the science themes for the meeting. I'm sure that they would appreciate your input as they flesh out the science program for the 2014 Goldschmidt.

In 2016, the Goldschmidt Conference moves to Yokohama, Japan. As we work with our long-time colleagues in the Geochemical Society of Japan, the Yokohama meeting will be an opportunity for the Goldschmidt to once again bring the excitement of geochemical discovery to Asia and Oceania. Choosing to regularly move the GS-hosted Goldschmidt Conferences outside North America is one of several steps the GS is taking to better meet its mission to encourage the application of geochemistry internationally. A major step in this regard is the enactment last year of new rules governing elections within the Society. In a routine rotation of the GS Board this year, elections will be held for five Board positions. As a result of bylaw changes, four of these positions, including that of vice-president, must be filled by candidates from outside the US and Canada. Please offer your suggestions for candidates for these positions to Karen Hudson-Edwards of the University of London (k.hudson-edwards@bbk.ac.uk), this year's chair of the Nominations Committee.

Another effort to broaden the reach of geochemistry is the launch of the International Participation Program. This program, funded by generous donations from the membership and contributions from the Society, will start by offering a limited number of free two-year GS memberships to students who have not previously been members of the GS and are currently enrolled in a geochemistry-related master's or doctorate program in countries outside those that currently dominate the GS membership. A definition of "qualifying countries" and further

details on the program are available at www.geochemsoc.org/programs/internationalparticipation. We hope that these new directions will allow the Geochemical Society to expand its successful promotion of geochemistry, as realized with GCA and the Goldschmidt Conference, to those countries who can most benefit from the use of modern geochemical methods to find and exploit their own resources and remediate the damaged caused by so doing, on their quest to improve the quality of life of their residents.

Rick Carlson, GS President

FEATURED GEOCHEMICAL CAREER CENTER POSTING

Maersk Oil Chair in Applied Geophysics at Aarhus University



AARHUS UNIVERSITY

The Department of Geoscience, Aarhus University, invites applications for a 5-year industry-funded position at the professor level in the field of seismic reflection and its application to basin analysis, including hydrocarbon-related issues. Continuation of the position beyond the 5-year period is negotiable. For full details on this and other postings, visit the Geochemical Career Center at <http://jobs.geochemsoc.org/jobs>.



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AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT GOLDSCHMIDT 2013

EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF GEOCHEMISTRY



2013 Urey Medal:
Igor Tolstikhin
(Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)



2013 Houtermans Award:
James Day
(Scripps Institution of Oceanography, USA)



2013 Science Innovation Award in climatology (Shackleton Medal):
Jérôme Chappellaz, (CNRS and University of Grenoble, France)

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2013 Goldschmidt Medal:
Harry Elderfield
(University of Cambridge, UK)



2013 Patterson Medal:
Joel D. Blum (University of Michigan, USA)



2013 Clarke Medal:
Blair Schoene
(Princeton University, USA)

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2013 Gast Lecturer:
Sujoy Mukhopadhyay
(Harvard University, USA)

2013 GS/EAG GEOCHEMICAL FELLOWS:



Vickie Bennett
(Australian National University)



Jérôme Chappellaz (CNRS and University of Grenoble, France)



John Eiler
(California Institute of Technology, USA)



Kenneth Farley
(California Institute of Technology, USA)



Yingwei Fei
(Carnegie Institution of Washington, USA)



Guillaume Fiquet
(Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France)



Kliti Grice (Curtin University, Australia)



Peter Kelemen
(Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Columbia University, USA)



Richard Pancost
(University of Bristol, UK)

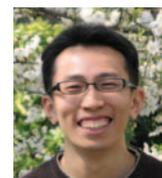


Frank Richter
(University of Chicago, USA)



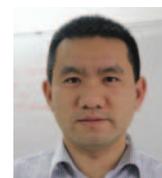
Hisayoshi Yurimoto
(Hokkaido University, Japan)

GEOCHEMICAL SOCIETY OF JAPAN



2013 Geochemical Journal Award:
Yusuke Nakagawa
(Kyoto University, Japan)

OTHER AWARDS



2013 Shen-su Sun Award:
Fang Huang (University of Science and Technology of China)