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Visiting Speakers

Prof. Tomas Hudlicky, Department of Chemistry, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, will speak on "Total synthesis of natural products via Chemoenzymatic and/or new reagent-based strategies: The story of morphine, Pancrastistatin, and Balanol" on Monday, October 6, 2008 @ 11:00 a.m. in MEC 2-1 Mechanical Engineering.

Dr. Charles Chase, Eisai Research Institute, Andover, Massachusetts, will speak on "Process Research on the Halichondrin B Analog Eribulin" on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. in E3-25.

David Beratan, Duke University, will speak on "Dynamical control of electron transfer in large and small molecules", on Wednesday, October 8, 2008 @ 11:00 AM in E3-25.

Prof. David Reingold, H. George Foster Professor, Department of Chemistry, Janiata College, Huntington, PA, will speak on "*Aromatic systems with gaps and holes*" on Thursday, October 16, 2008 @ 3:00 p.m. in E3-25. **Cumulative Exam:** The next cumulative examination will be held on Saturday, October 4, @ 11:00 a.m. in E3-25.

Congratulations to the following students:

M.Sc. defense

Mustapha St. Jules – Oct. 2/08 (Hicham Fenniri)

Ph.D. defense

Nan Wang – Sept. 2/08 (Liang Li) Robin Hamilton – Sept. 29/08 (Steve Bergens) Neil He – Sept. 29/08 (Jed Harrison) Sandra Jacques – Sept. 30/08 (David Bundle)

LOST:

One pair of red cycling gloves. If anyone has found this item, please give Lynne Lechelt a call at 780-492-9756.

502 Seminar

Spencer Alford will speak on "*Innovative semi-synthetic routes to post-translationally modified proteins*" on Wednesday, October 8, 2008 @ 1:00 p.m. in E3-25.

New Feature of the Departmental Web Site

The Department has many presentations every year, and keeping track of what you might want to attend required standing in front of the elevators and then remembering the info until you got to your office. No more!

On the home page of the department, you can now see three new links (buttons) under the Important Dates heading. A web calendar is available at the HTML link, Mac users of iCal or Vista users of Windows Calendar can click the ICAL button for a subscription to an appropriately formatted calendar, and people familiar with RSS feeds may wish to click the XML button to subscribe their feed reader or web browser to see just the latest changes.

Lynne Lechelt will be entering the events in the calendars, and people should email her their notices and abstracts, as we'll be able to publish the abstracts as well for reading in the comfort (?) of your offices, labs, or homes.

Help on this new calendar is available at http://www.chem.ualberta.ca/~chemit/info/calendar.html, complete with gee-whizzy screenshots, so PLEASE review that before emailing or calling. Feedback on the calendar is welcome; please send it to Scott by email. Thanks.



Thanksgiving Raffle



for a Thanksgiving turkey

1 ticket - \$2.00 or 3 tickets - \$5.00

All proceeds will be donated to the Campus Food Bank

The draw will be done during the Alberta Ingenuity Centre for Carbohydrate Science super group meeting on Thursday afternoon. We post the winner on the main floor and the bird can be picked up anytime on Friday, October 10, 2008 from Karin or Elizabeth.

Tickets can be obtained from Karin in E5-17

Employment Opportunities

are posted on the bulletin board across from the elevators on the third floor. Please do not remove the employment notices from the bulletin board.

Employment opportunities are posted on a new internet site: http://www.careerowl.ca.

University of Wisconsin is actively seeking qualified applicants for a tenure track faculty position at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor in drug discovery. Please see http://www.ohr.wisc.edu/pv/pv_057141.html for more information.

Ballstate University, Department of Chemistry, Muncie, Indiana, has two tenure track positions available in August 2009. Please see www.bsu.edu/chemistry for more information.

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Department of Chemistry seeks three tenure trtack faulty positions at the Assistant Professor level specializing in : 1 – chemical biology; 2 – organic/materials; 3 – experimental chemistry. Plase see employment board for more information.

Thompson Rivers University (Kamloops), requires a Chemistry Sessional lecturer for the Physical Sciences. Please see employment board for more information.

University of Helsinki/North Carolina seeks applications from well qualified candidates for a joint Postdoctoral Fellowship to work in the area of Organic & Polymer Chemistry of Wood Biopolymers. Please see http://www4.ncsu.edu/~dsargyro for more information.

University of Florida, announces an open area search for tenure track faculty members to begin in Fall 2009 at either the Assistant or Associate Professor level. Please see employment board for more information.

University of Iowa, invites applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor position effective August 2009 in the broadly defined areas of organic or inorganic Chemistry. Please see http://facsearch.chem.uiowa.edu for more information.

Wilfred Laurier, Department of Chemistry invites applications for a tenure track appointment supporting biochemistry offerings in Health Sciences at the Assistant Professor level. Please see www.wlu.ca/science/chemistry for more information.

University of Calgary invites applications for a full time tenure track position in any area of Theoretical Organic Chemistry at the Assistant Professor level. Please see http://www.ucalgary.ca/chem for more information.

University of Calgary invites physical chemists who could make a significant contribution to the new Nanoscience program recently implemented in North America. Please see http://www.ucalgary.ca/chem for more information.

University of Nebraska is currently seeking nominations and applications for a tenure track Assistant Professor in Organic Chemistry. Please see http://employment.unl.edu for more information.

Cornell University is searching for tenure track faculty members at the Assistant Professor level. Please see employment board for more information.

University of Victoria, is seeking an energetic and enthusiastic Senior Scientific Assistant to manage the Department's Mass Spectrometry facility. Please see https://uhire.uvic.ca for more information.

University of Montreal is seeking an analytical/bioanalytical chemistry professor in the faculty of arts and sciences. Please see http://www.chimie.umontreal.ca for more information.

Alberta Sulphur Research Limited has two openings available -(1) Research Chemistry to work in the lab on problems of sulfur and (2) an analytical chemist to work on problems of sulfur chemistry associated with the recovery of oil and natural gas. Please see http://www.chem.ucalgary.ca/asr/ for more information.