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VISITING SPEAKERS

Prof. A. Whiting, Department of Chemistry, Durham University, U.K., will speak on "Clean, green and asymmetric: new bifunctional aminoboronic acid-based catalytic processes" on Monday, October 5, 2009 @ 11:00 a.m. in MEC 2-1.

Chemistry Joke of the Week

A student comes into his lab class right at the end of the hour. Fearing he'll get an "F", he asks a fellow student what she's been doing. "We've been observing water under the microscope. We're suppose to write up what we see." The page of her notebook is filled with little figures resembling circles and ellipses with hair on them. The panic-stricken student hears the bell go off, opens his notebook and writes, "During this laboratory, I examined water under the microscope and I saw twice as many H's as O's."

Congratulations to:

Rajesh Sunasee (D. Clive) who passed his Ph.D. final exam September 22, 2009

Avena Ross (J. Vederas) who passed her Ph.D. Candidacy exam Sept. 24, 2009

Chunjuan Liu (Dr. Lowary) passed her PhD final exam September 25, 2009

Jiangxiao Sun (Dr. Klassen) passed her PhD final exam September 28, 2009

Arnab Pal (Dr. Hall) passed his MSc final exam September 28, 2009

Anne Cooper (Dr. Buriak) passed her PhD Candidacy exam September 28, 2009

Ting Zhou (Dr. Lucy) passed her PhD final exam September 30, 2009

Gabor Borzsonyi (Dr. Fenniri) passed his PhD final exam October 1, 2009

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.

Texas Tech. University has a graduate study opportunity available in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Please see www.depts.ttu.edu/chemistry for more information.

University of Kentucky is seeking candidates with interests at the interface of chemistry and biology for two tenure track positions at the assistant professor level with a start date of August 2010. Please see http://www.chem.uky.edu/facultyseartch (includes instructions for submission of applications).

University of Calgary is seeking a Manager for their Instrumentation Facility. The appointee will have responsibilities managing the operation and maintenance of the Departmental Instrumentation Facility. Candidates must have a Ph.D. in chemistry or the equivalent, hands on experience in the operation and maintenance of NMR and/or Mass Specs. Qualified applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, statement of managing philosophy, evidence of experience in the operation and maintenance of instruments, and arrange for at least three letters of reference to be sent to: head@chem.ucalgary.ca

McMaster University is looking for a Synthesis/NMR Spectroscopy Research Technician on a contractually limited appointment with the potential for extension. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to the maintenance and operation of the CMCB Chemistry laboratory, operation, service and maintenance of a new Bruker AV700 NMR spectrometer, and preparing data and figures suitable for reports and research publications, presentation is required. The ideal candidate has a M.Sc. or higher degree in chemistry or a related field, backed by suitable experience in an academic, pharmaceutical or biotechnology setting. Expert technique in conducting the synthesis and NMR analysis of small organic molecules is essential. Experience in maintaining modern NMR instrumentation is required. Please send a cover letter, a copy of your curriculum vitae and a list of three references to: Dr. Gerald D. Wright Director, Michael G. DeGroote Institute for Infectious Disease Research, Michael G. DeGroote Centre for Learning, Room 2301, 1200 Main Street West Hamilton, Ontario L8N 3Z5.