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## POLY INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY BOARD (IAB) BULLETIN

### Hello Industrial Advisory Board & Friends-

As we near the end of 2015, the POLY Industrial Advisory Board shows no signs of slowing up. In this issue, you will see momentum building as we move to 2016 and beyond. In particular, IAB has just been awarded an ACS Innovative Project Grant to continue to grow the value of programming and networking opportunities, two items that you are telling us are an important value of IAB. More information is included below. From programming to event support, IAB continues to support its mission to program, educate, and recognize. **Finally, we want to personally remind Members of ACS-POLY to have a voice on the Executive Board by voting in the election.** Details are below. We thank all of you for your company's generous support and look forward to many years of growing the IAB Mission.

~ Chairs: Travis Baughman (DSM) [travis.baughman@dsm.com](mailto:travis.baughman@dsm.com) & Diana Gerbi (3M) [djgerbi@mmm.com](mailto:djgerbi@mmm.com)

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### ■ Don't forget to vote in the POLY Elections - Deadline is November 16!

As a reminder, all ACS-POLY members are welcome to participate in the POLY election. Flex your collective industrial muscle! We have two very capable industrial representatives on the ballot, so be sure to get your votes in before the deadline. An e-mail has been sent to voting members containing instructions and a login password. If you have not already received your notice, please e-mail [KATHYL@VT.EDU](mailto:KATHYL@VT.EDU). The POLY Election will close on November 16th. GOOD LUCK CANDIDATES!

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San Diego ACS and beyond, no hard-copy programs will be available onsite.

As a reminder, no hard-copy programs will be available for pick up at the ACS Meeting in San Diego.

### Mission

*"Enhance and foster industrial engagement and support to develop programming, education, recognition & awards within the ACS Division of Polymer Chemistry."*

### Our Members



### 2015 POLY Election Statements and Bios

#### Candidates for Vice-Chair



Dana Gerbi  
3M



Michael Meador  
National Nanotechnology  
Coordination Office



Kevin Czerwinski  
University of Akron



Mark Dudman  
University of Tennessee

#### Candidates for Councilor



Christine Landry-Catrain  
Kodak Research  
Laboratories



Mary Ann Meador  
NASA Glenn Research  
Center



Michael Hickner  
Oak Ridge National  
Laboratory



Toby Nelson  
Oklahoma State University

#### Candidates for Member-At-Large

View candidate information: [Link](#)

## IAB is Awarded an ACS Innovative Project Grant

The ACS Divisional Activities Committee (DAC) funds new Division projects through Technical Division Innovative Project Grants (IPGs). This program encourages Technical Divisions to conceive of and implement innovative projects to strengthen the functioning of the Division. Proposed innovative projects must 1) be new to the applying Division (intended to "seed" new ideas); 2) stimulate Division member involvement; and 3) be pilot projects for a continuing Division activity, or else take advantage of a unique upcoming opportunity for the Division.

IAB's objective is to increase both industrial participation and collaboration with increased attendance at national ACS meetings. Additionally, IAB is organizing an expanded industrially focused networking event with national, technical division level, and local level participation to generate new programming ideas and topics. The first such event is planned for the ACS Meeting in San Diego, Monday March 14, 2015, 6:00PM at the Harbor House, Seaport Village. Stay tuned as more information will be available soon.

The funds for this project will be applied to both 2016 national ACS Meetings (San Diego and Philadelphia). IAB is targeting co-programming with BMGT and INOR in both San Diego and Philadelphia for two half day symposia as well.

More information about IPG: [Link](#)

## ACS San Diego IAB Events

Computers in Chemistry

251st American Chemical Society National Meeting & Exposition - San Diego



### Industrial Advisory Board Networking Reception

Monday, March 14, 2016: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Tentatively planned for: Harbor House, Seaport Village, 831 W Harbor Dr, San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 232-1141. No rsvp required [Link](#)

### Industrial Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 15, 2016: 7:30 - 9:30 AM

POLY Hotel TBA (*breakfast meeting*). Please rsvp to Lesia Linkous [Link](#)

### POLY/PMSE Awards Reception

Wednesday, March 16, 2016: 5:30 PM

POLY Hotel TBA

## ■ ACS San Diego IAB Programming

All symposia will be held at the POLY designated hotel. This location will be announced in the next 1-2 months. ACS indicates that "**Housing Opens December 14th.**" Mark your calendars to check the ACS Website: [Link](#)

### Industrial Research at the Interface of Inorganic Chemistry & Polymer Science (POLY-INOR)

Day: Sunday morning

Location TBA

Organizers: Laura Stratton, Nora Radu

### IIPC:

#### Sustainable Polymerization Feedstocks and Process Technology (POLY-BMGT)

Day: Monday afternoon

Location: TBA

Organizers: Louis Pitet, Andy Meyer

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#### Excellence in Graduate Polymer Research

Day: Monday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 15, 2016

Location: TBA

Organizers: HN Cheng, Christine Landry-Coltrain, Tim Long, Christopher Ellison

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#### Undergraduate Research in Polymer Science

Day and Location: TBA

Organizers: Sarah Morgan, Sergei Nazarenko, Joe Lott

A complete listing of POLY Sessions coming soon: [Link](#)

## ■ IAB to Participate in Student Panel in San Diego

A one-hour discussion forum between students and industrial and national lab scientists is planned for Tuesday, March 15, 2016, starting at 4:00 PM at the San Diego ACS Meeting just prior to the poster session. IAB feels this effort directly serves the needs of the POLY and IAB membership with respect to building stronger connections from the POLY community to our industrial members while allowing students to explore career paths and ask questions. For further information or to get involved, please contact Travis Baughman (DSM)

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## ■ Free Polymer Division Membership in 2015

The graphic features a blue and white molecular structure on the left. To its right, the text reads "POLY Challenge" in a grey font, "1500 in 2015" in a large blue font, and "Free POLY Membership" in a white font on a dark background. Below this, two white boxes contain text: the left one states that if it has been more than 3 years or if you have never been a member, now is time to sign up for a complimentary 1-year ACS Division of Polymer Chemistry Membership; the right one states there is no long-term commitment and that POLY wants you to experience being a part of the division whose members are legends in the field. At the bottom, a blue box provides instructions to click the "Membership Application, Click Here" button or email [acspolymers@gmail.com](mailto:acspolymers@gmail.com) referencing "1500Free".

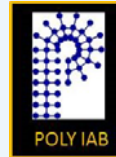
If it has been more than 3 years or if you have never been a Member, now is time to sign up for a COMPLIMENTARY 1-Year ACS Division of Polymer Chemistry Membership. No long-term commitment. POLY simply wants you to experience being a part of THE Polymer Chemistry Division whose members are among the legends in the field. We would greatly appreciate your sending this to others within your company and beyond to invite anyone who has an interest in the polymer chemistry community to join. [Join Now](#)

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## ■ IAB Membership and Dues

We would like to enhance communication and to make the Industrial Advisory Board more useful to our participating companies. If you have suggestions or you would like to help, please let us know. If you are a prospective company considering participation, please communicate with Michael O. Hunt, IAB Membership Chair, POLYMATERIALS CORP., [m.hunt@polymaterials.de](mailto:m.hunt@polymaterials.de)

POLY IAB Dues in the amount of \$1,000.00 are due for 2015. Contact Lesia Linkous for processing, [lesiar@vt.edu](mailto:lesiar@vt.edu), ph: 540-231-3029.



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