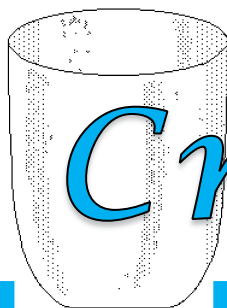


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## Call for Nominations

### **Pittsburgh Section of the ACS Pittsburgh Award**

The Pittsburgh Award was established in 1932 by the Pittsburgh Section of ACS to recognize outstanding leadership in chemical affairs in the local and larger professional community. This Award symbolizes the honor and appreciation accorded to those who have rendered distinguished service to the field of chemistry. The Award consists of a plaque presented annually at a section dinner. Members of the Pittsburgh Section, or in exceptional cases, nonmembers, who have done work worthy of recognition toward increasing chemical knowledge, promoting the chemical industry, benefiting humanity, or advancing the Pittsburgh Section, are eligible for consideration.

### **The Distinguished Service Award**

The Distinguished Service Award was established in 2007 by the Pittsburgh Section of the ACS to expand and replace the predecessor Chairman's Award of the section. Both recognize outstanding volunteer service to the Section. The Award, consisting of a plaque, is presented annually at a Section dinner, which is open to the public. Members of the Pittsburgh Section, past or present, who have provided outstanding service in advancing the Pittsburgh Section, are eligible for consideration.

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Nominations for both awards are solicited from the membership of the Pittsburgh Section. Please include your contact information, the nominee's contact information, any supporting letters, and the nominee's CV. More information about the awards, including information on past winners can be found on the ACS website: <http://www.pittsburghacs.org/awards/pittsburgh-award/> Please send all nominations (or questions about nomination process) to Pittsburgh Section Chair-Elect, Dr. Matthew Price, [price@calu.edu](mailto:price@calu.edu). Nominations are due by **Tuesday, September 1, 2019**.

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## 2019 Mildred Perry Memorial Lecture

**Dr. Megan Matthews**

**Dept of Chemistry, University of Pennsylvania**

**Date & Time: Tuesday April 16, 7 PM**

ACS Meeting at 6:15 PM in SFU Sci. Ctr 219

Reception: 6:30-7 on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Atrium

**Location: Saint Francis University Science Center- Room 024**

117 Evergreen Drive, Loretto, PA 15940

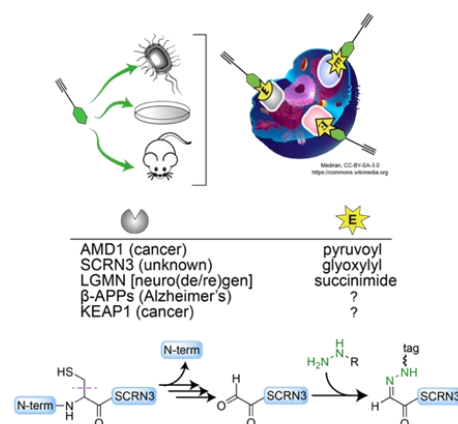


**To register or for more information, please email**

**Edward Zovinka at [ezovinka@francis.edu](mailto:ezovinka@francis.edu)**

### **“Chemical Biology to Discover Functional Post-Translational Modifications of Proteins”**

**Abstract** Intrinsic nucleophiles abound but electrophiles are essentially absent among the common, proteinogenic amino acids, resulting in activity-based protein profiling (ABPP) probes that have historically targeted nucleophilic functionality. However, by post-translational processing and binding of exogenous small molecules, proteins do incorporate and subsequently deploy more than ten classes of *electrophiles* for catalysis and other essential functions. At the current state of knowledge, electrophilic post-translational modifications (PTMs) are not generally predictable from primary structure, and untargeted proteomics approaches often fail to detect them. For these reasons, such species are almost certainly more prevalent than is currently appreciated. To delineate the scope of this other functional half of the proteome (the ‘electrophilome’), we developed the first chemically unbiased *de novo* screen for protein-bound electrophiles. Using a set of probes containing reactive N-N/O nucleophiles, we detected hitherto undiscovered electrophiles in enzymes and non-enzymes that have been targets for design of drugs against Alzheimer’s disease and cancer. Additionally, a previously unknown protein modification, an *N*-terminal glyoxylyl group formed from a cysteine residue, was found in an uncharacterized protein (human Secernin3) thought to use the encoded Cys as a *nucleophile* for a hydrolysis reaction. Discovery of this new species immediately raised three compelling questions that will be discussed in this seminar: (1) what novel function or reactivity does this electrophilic functional group impart to the mature Secernin3 protein (i.e., *what does the glyoxylyl do?*); (2) what enzyme machinery exists to install the novel PTM (i.e., *how does it get there?*); and (3) what other organisms and proteins/enzymes possess a glyoxylyl, and in what other reactions and pathways is it involved (i.e., *where else is it and why?*)? These discoveries will illuminate enzyme cofactors and other essential protein-bound modifications as druggable targets, thereby providing new strategies for therapeutic intervention in several human pathologies including cancer, neurodegenerative diseases and antibiotic-resistant bacterial infections.



**Bio** Megan started her faculty position in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania in July 2017. She received her B.A. in Chemistry from Miami University, OH in 2005. She then received her Ph.D. in 2011 in bioinorganic chemistry from Pennsylvania State University under Marty Bollinger and Carsten Krebs. Upon graduation, she performed her postdoctoral studies at Scripps Research in the chemical biology laboratory of Prof. Benjamin Cravatt as a Helen Hay Whitney Fellow.



## ACS-Energy Technology Group Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 2019

### “Advancing Coal Through New Technology Development for Mining and Beneficiation”

Dan Connell

CONSOL Energy

#### Abstract

Coal remains a vital source of energy in the United States and around the globe, accounting for about 30% of U.S. electricity generation and providing 60% of the primary energy consumed by China and India in 2017. As such, the U.S. holds substantial value in its vast proven coal reserve base, which is the largest of any country in the world. However, in order for this value to be fully realized, new technology development for “upstream” aspects of coal – including mining and beneficiation – is needed in order to keep coal competitive with rapidly evolving energy sources such as natural gas and renewables. While substantial federal R&D spending has been directed toward controlling emissions from coal combustion and improving the efficiency of coal-fired power plants, relatively little has been invested in upstream portions of the coal supply chain even though these factor prominently in the overall value proposition for coal as well. The cost of the coal feedstock is a major factor in determining the competitiveness of domestic coal-fired power plants, U.S. coal exports, and non-power end-uses of coal, and coal mining, processing, and transport factor prominently in coal’s overall environmental, health, and safety profile. This presentation highlights new technology opportunities in coal mining and beneficiation – including opportunities in the areas of automation and robotics, big data and advanced computing, fully remote mining, waste coal recovery and utilization, and new product streams – and discusses potential implications for the coal industry.

#### Biography

Dan is Vice President of Business Development & Technology for CONSOL Energy Inc., which is a producer and exporter of bituminous thermal and metallurgical coal from the Northern Appalachian Basin. In his current position, Dan is focused on developing and executing CONSOL’s growth strategy and advancing the company’s initiatives to create value through the application of new technologies. He also has responsibility for the CONSOL Marine Terminal in the Port of Baltimore. Prior to this, Dan spent about 15 years working in CONSOL’s Research & Development, Marketing, and Strategy & Engineering groups, where he focused on the development and economic analysis of advanced power generation and environmental control technologies, technical marketing for thermal and metallurgical coal customers, coal market analysis, strategic planning, new market development, and major transactions.

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**Cost is \$26 (cash or check), walk-ins are welcome but an RSVP with dinner selection is preferred.**

**Dinner Menu:** Soup, salad and choice of: Lasagna, Chicken Romano, Spaghetti w/meatball, Manicotti. Coffee, tea, and soft drinks, included.

**Please RSVP by Monday April 15, with names of those planning to attend, and, *your dinner choice*, to:**  
[ACS.ETG@gmail.com](mailto:ACS.ETG@gmail.com)

**Check In:** 6:00-6:30 PM, **Dinner:** 6:30-7:30 PM, **Technical Presentation** 7:30-8:30 PM

**Location:** [Lombardozzi’s Restaurant](#) - Bloomfield, 4786 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15224

The Pittsburgh Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring an illustrated poem contest for students in Kindergarten - 12th grade. This regional contest is open to students who live in the following Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia counties:

**Ohio:** Jefferson; **Pennsylvania:** Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Cambria, Clarion, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Jefferson, Somerset, Venango, Washington, & Westmorland;

**West Virginia:** Brooke, Hancock, & Ohio

**Contest Deadline: Entries must be received by Friday May 3, 2019.**

Mail entries to Michael Mautino, 3485 Frye Ave, Finleyville, PA 15332

Questions, or to e-mail entries: [michael.mautino@covestro.com](mailto:michael.mautino@covestro.com)

**Prizes:** \$50 1<sup>st</sup> Place in each of 4 grade categories: K-2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

Winners of the Pittsburgh Section ACS illustrated poem contest will advance to the ACS National Illustrated Poem Contest for a chance to be featured on the ACS website and to win prizes!

Write and illustrate a poem using the CCEW theme, "Take Note: The Chemistry of Paper." Your poem must be **no more** than 40 words and in the following styles to be considered:

**HAIKU - LIMERICK - ODE - ABC POEM - FREE VERSE - END RHYME - BLANK VERSE**

**Possible topics related to paper chemistry include:**

Bioplastics	Cellulose	Fiber	Lignin
Plastic	Polymer	Pulp	Slurry



**Entries will be judged based upon:**

- Artistic Merit - use of color, quality of drawing, design & layout
- Poem Message - fun, motivational, inspiring about yearly theme
- Originality Creativity - unique, clever and/or creative design
- Neatness - free of spelling and grammatical errors

#### Contest rules:

All poems must be no more than 40 words, and in one of the following styles to be considered: Haiku, Limerick, Ode, ABC poem, Free verse, End rhyme, and Blank verse.

Entries are judged based upon relevance to and incorporation of the NCW theme, word choice and imagery, colorful artwork, adherence to poem style, originality and creativity, and overall presentation.

All entries must be original works without aid from others. Poems may be submitted by hand on an unlined sheet of paper not larger than 11" by 14" or scanned and sent via email. Illustrations may be created using crayons, watercolors, other types of paint, colored pencils, or markers. The illustration may also be electronically created by using a digital painting and drawing app on a computer, tablet, or mobile device.

The text of the poem should be easy to read and may be typed before the hand-drawn or digital illustration is added, or the poem may be written on lined paper, which is cut out and pasted onto the unlined paper with the illustration.

No clipart or unoriginal images can be used.

Only one entry per student will be accepted; all entries must include an entry form. If the illustration is created using a digital painting or drawing app, the name of the program must be included on the entry form.

All illustrated poems and/or digital representations of the poems become the property of the American Chemical Society.

Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners' names, likenesses, and entries for editorial, advertising, and publicity purposes.

# 2019 CCEW Illustrated Poem Contest

## Take Note: The Chemistry of Paper

Please fill out this entry form and attach to the back of the poems.

Parent/Guardian information may be left blank if Teacher contact information is provided.

**The deadline for the Pittsburgh Local Section Contest is Friday, May 3, 2019.**

Student and Organization Information			
Student Name:			
Grade:			
Parent/Guardian Name:		Parent/Guardian Email:	
Parent Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
<b>School or sponsoring group:</b> <i>(e.g. Boys and Girls Club or Scout Troop, 4-H, etc.)</i>			
Teacher Name:		Teacher Email:	
School Address:			
Address Line 2:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Please send any follow up for the student to the <u>school</u> or <u>parent</u> address.			
Judging Category by Grade (Check one)			
K-2	3-5	6-8	9-12
FOR LOCAL SECTION USE ONLY			
Local Section Name:	Pittsburgh		
CCEW Coordinator Name:	Michael Mautino		





# 2019 Tripartite **CHEMISTS** **WITHOUT BORDERS**



**Saturday, May 18, 2019, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm**  
Carlow University – AJ Palumbo Hall of Science and Technology  
3333 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

- 8:30**            **Registration and Opening Remarks**
- 9:00**            **Chemists Without Borders: Past, Present and Future**  
                    Dr. Bego Gerber
- 9:45**            **Applying Chemistry to Solve Problems in the Developing World**  
                    Dr. Ronda Grosse
- 10:30**           **Intermission**
- 10:40**           **Studying Abroad in Chemistry: An Opportunity for Undergraduate Chemistry Researchers to have an International Impact in Chemical Education**  
                    Dr. Bakarr Kanu
- 11:25**           **Chemists Without Borders Arsenic Project Development: Confronting the largest mass poisoning of a population in history by providing clean water in Bangladesh**  
                    Dr. Steve Chambreau

**12:10**           **Luncheon and Discussion**

### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Please register by Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Registration Fee: \$10 - Luncheon & Parking\* Included

(\* Parking in lot at 3333 Fifth Avenue)

Please make check payable to SSP and mail the Registration Form below to:

Heather Juzwa, SSP - Tripartite Symposium

321 Winners Circle, Canonsburg, PA 15317

## **TRIPARTITE 2019 REGISTRATION FORM**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Affiliation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **I am attending the luncheon.**    **Dietary Restrictions:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## **Chemists Without Borders: Past, Present and Future**

### **Bego Gerber**



Hear the remarkable story of some remarkable people making a remarkable difference. What are the foundations of Chemists Without Borders? Why does it exist? How does it work? Why does it matter? Who is affected? What have we learned? Where do we all fit in? What is possible?

Bego Gerber is Managing Director of Business Development International, a lifestyle marketing company, and is an Executive Associate accredited by the Institute for Independent Business. Dr Gerber's expertise ranges from academic medical research to patented new product development in a no-walls start-up and in Fortune 100 R&D; and from idea processing and information management to entrepreneurial lifestyle marketing and the development of B-Quadrant businesses on the Internet. He also spent many years as a passionate court appointed special advocate for abused and neglected children. Bego was educated at Heriot-Watt University in Scotland, has Master's and Doctoral degrees from the University of California, Santa Barbara, and was a postdoctoral fellow at the Johns Hopkins University.

Bego is Chairman and Co-Founder of Chemists Without Borders, and focuses on board development, fundraising, public relations and partnerships.

## **Applying Chemistry to Solve Problems in the Developing World**

### **Ronda Grosse\*, Rolande Hodel, Marya Lieberman, Julian Tyson**



Chemists Without Borders is a non-profit organization, comprised primarily of volunteer chemists, with the mission of solving humanitarian problems by mobilizing the resources and expertise of the global chemistry community and its networks. Work to date has involved clean water initiatives, science education in developing countries, and inexpensive tests for analysis of medicines. This presentation will review projects aimed at improving living conditions in South Asia, including measuring heavy metal concentrations in the Bangladesh food supply and renewable energy options for affordable housing in India. Projects in Africa include development of paper analytical devices to provide high quality chemical analysis of pharmaceutical samples and prevent falsified or substandard medications. Recent work in Kenya will be shared. Additionally, AIDSfreeAFRICA has set up a laboratory in Cameroon for drug testing. The status of these initiatives, technical progress, and ongoing opportunities and challenges will be discussed.

Ronda Grosse received her Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from the Ohio State University and her B.S. in chemistry from Bethel University in St. Paul, Minnesota. She has worked as an industrial chemist for 25 years in laboratory and managerial roles at Dow Corning Corporation. Her primary expertise is in molecular spectroscopy, chromatography, and mass spectrometry for materials characterization. Ronda is an active member of the American Chemical Society. She is an advocate for science education and conducts chemistry demonstrations in local schools, as well as other outreach activities.

Ronda is on the Board of Directors at Chemists Without Borders. She serves as the organization's liaison with the ACS. Ronda actively supports Chemists Without Borders' projects by providing technical guidance and assisting with grant writing and other communications.

Ronda's international experience includes scientific research in Japan and an affordable housing project in India. She is passionate about improving quality of lives by combining science and service, and exploring sustainable ways that we can collectively create positive change in our global community. Originally from New Castle, Pennsylvania, she resides in Saginaw, Michigan, with her husband and two daughters.



## **Studying Abroad in Chemistry: An Opportunity for Undergraduate Chemistry Researchers to have an International Impact in Chemical Education**

**Bakarr Kanu**



Developing undergraduate research through service learning is a high impact practice that can greatly influence student engagement and success. In this project, a team of scientists has been working to develop inexpensive microchemistry kits to facilitate Chemistry Education in West Africa. Since 2015, several undergraduate STEM majors have engaged in research with the nonprofit organization, Chemists Without Borders, to enhance chemistry education in Sierra Leone. The ultimate goal has been to provide chemistry laboratory kits to high school and first-year university students' in Sierra Leone by training teachers to use the kits in their classrooms. In addition to standard labs that will help students understand basic chemical concepts, most of the STEM experiments developed for this project will focus on the application of chemistry towards practical knowledge relevant to the lives of ordinary Sierra Leoneans. Currently, we have assembled 15-lab activity kits ready for use in Sierra Leone. To implement this project, we developed a study abroad class at Winston-Salem

State University (WSSU) and we expect to offer this class in spring 2019. Students enrolled in this course will have the opportunity to travel to Sierra Leone and conduct a workshop to train teachers who will in turn use the kits in their classrooms. In addition, they will have an opportunity to learn about the politics, history, and culture of Sierra Leone. Upon implementation of this project, we anticipate the kits to service between 200-500 teachers and students, covering approximately 50 schools in Sierra Leone annually. Our hope is that once this project is executed successfully, it will be expanded to other English-speaking countries. We anticipate this service learning research project will attract students from underrepresented groups and influence their engagement in STEM activities at WSSU and the broader community of scientists.

Dr. Kanu received his Ph.D. in Instrumentation and Analytical Chemistry from the University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom in 2003. His Ph.D. work developed a novel sampling device with "active membranes" that reduced sampling time by 60% and increased sensitivity by 25%. His sampling device, interfaced to several separation-typed instruments was used to characterize environmental pollutants. One of his papers, published in the Journal of Environmental Monitoring, January 2007 issue, was selected to appear on the front cover of the journal as a current cutting-edge research development on environmental processes and impact. In 2008, a second paper he published in the Journal of Mass Spectrometry, January 2008 issue, appeared on the front cover of the journal. Dr. Kanu is an expert in separation-type instrumentation techniques including gas and liquid chromatography, mass spectrometry, capillary electrophoresis, ion mobility mass spectrometry, to name a few. Dr. Kanu currently has over thirty-two peer-reviewed scientific publications in top-rated reputable journals, over fifty presentations and two patents (related to sample introduction interfaces). Dr. Kanu has mentored several undergraduate and graduate students in research and is very interested in developing activities to increase number of minority students enrolled and retained in STEM disciplines. Since joining WSSU, he has mentored over thirty undergraduate students in research and many have presented their results at regional and national conferences. One of Dr. Kanu's mentees won the Best Poster in Chemistry award at the 2016 Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS).

His current research is modifying separation-type instrumental techniques to achieve rapid analysis of chemical and biological compounds. He is interested in investigating the fate of compounds like environmental soil-gas and water contaminants, drugs, explosives, chemical warfare agents, total suspended particles, nucleotides, nucleosides, peptides, proteins, forensic, and biological samples in complex matrices. Dr. Kanu has been studying the ingredients from plant sources to identify chemical compounds that may be useful for promoting health and/or fighting diseases. Additionally, he is interested in the chemical synthesis of novel polymers that may be useful in alternate energy and military type applications.

Dr. Kanu is the American Chemical Society Student Chapter Faculty Advisor (WSSU Chapter). His responsibility is to provide guidance and mentorship to the executive members and foster their smooth operation. Since 2012, the organization has volunteered in a number of community events. Dr. Kanu has membership is eight professional organizations and he is the current WSSU representative to National Organization for the Professional Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers (NOBCChE) Collaborative Institutional. Dr. Kanu has developed curricular materials and pedagogical methods for instrumental analysis, quantitative analysis, and forensic chemistry. He has also developed and implemented guided inquiry projects in the laboratory portions of quantitative and instrumental analysis.

## Chemists Without Borders Arsenic Project Development: Confronting the largest mass poisoning of a population in history by providing clean water in Bangladesh

Steven Chambreau



Dr Chambreau demonstrating the Hach arsenic test kit to students at Palmdale High School, Palmdale, CA

Back in the 1970s, in an attempt to provide hygienic drinking water in Bangladesh, the United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund (UNICEF) and other aid agencies began installing millions of tube wells in Bangladesh villages as an alternative source of drinking water to contaminated surface water supplies. The program, which continued through the 1980s, was an early success. Instances of cholera, microbe-caused diarrhea, and other diseases dropped dramatically. But no one thought to analyze water for trace and ultra-trace impurities, and soon the good news turned bad. By the early 1990s, villagers began breaking out with skin disorders and experiencing fatigue symptoms of arsenicosis from drinking the water. Arsenic poisoning in drinking water in Bangladesh has been identified as one of the world’s greatest humanitarian disasters, with the World Health Organization characterizing the situation as “largest mass poisoning of a population in history.”

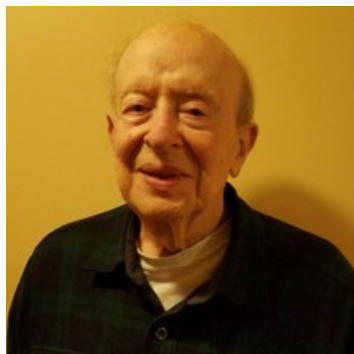
Out of 150 million people in Bangladesh, 35-77 million people are at risk from arsenic contamination of water. It is estimated that between 1-5 million children are at risk of death by arsenicosis, or arsenic poisoning, by 2030. Many countries with arsenic-contaminated groundwater do not face the same catastrophic outcomes as in Bangladesh, in part due to inaction on the part of the Bangladesh government. Clearly there are no simple, easily implemented solutions that would provide “arsenic-free” water in sufficient quantities to meet the requirements of communities in rural Bangladesh for drinking, cooking and irrigation of crops (particularly rice). Chemists Without Borders works to remedy this. The Arsenic Project in Bangladesh will be described from its inception and how the project has evolved into the work that is currently underway today, involving arsenic education, arsenic testing of wells and the development of alternative drinking sources in Bangladesh.

Steve Chambreau is a Co-founder of Chemists Without Borders, and has served the organization previously as Vice President, President and Director. Dr. Chambreau is a Research Scientist in the Propellants Branch at the Air Force Research Laboratory at Edwards Air Force Base, where he studies chemical dynamics. Steve grew up in California, attended school at UC Berkeley (BS 1993), San Diego State University (MS 1997), and UC Riverside (PhD 2002). He spent 2 years working as an NRC Associate at the Air Force Research Laboratory at Hanscom AFB near Boston, and 2 years as a postdoc with Professor Arthur Suits at Wayne State University investigating the H-atom roaming mechanism. Dr. Chambreau’s primary interest in Chemists Without Borders involves water quality issues, and he initiated the Arsenic Project in Bangladesh. In his various roles, Dr. Chambreau assisted Chemists Without Borders development in many ways including development of the mission and vision statements, incorporating the organization and obtaining 501(c)(3) non-profit status, fundraising, project development, and membership management.

### ***Parking***

Enter parking lot at the corner of Craft and Fifth Avenues. The AJ Palumbo Center is directly across the street from the parking lot.



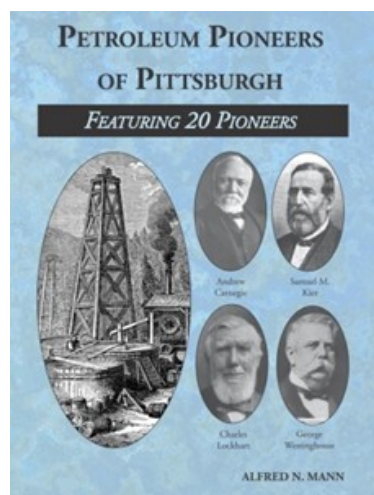


## **Long-time Energy Technology Group Member Al Mann has Published a Book *Petroleum Pioneers of Pittsburgh***

Alfred Mann received a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Cornell University and an M.S., also in Chemical Engineering, from the University of Pittsburgh. He retired in 2006 from the National Energy Technology Laboratory of the U.S. Department of Energy, Pittsburgh, PA, where he served as a support contractor. He was previously employed by Gulf Research & Development Corporation from 1957 to 1983, where he was Director of Process Economics.

He was instrumental in the Pittsburgh Local Section receiving the 2009 National Chemical Historic Landmarks Award from the National ACS for The Development of the Pennsylvania Oil Industry. See more <http://www.pittsburghacs.org/archives/national-historic-chemical-landmark/>

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## **ACS - Energy Technology Group April Meeting Continued from Page 3**

As a member of CONSOL's R&D group, Dan served as Principal Investigator and administrative lead for the Greenidge Multi-Pollutant Control Project, a \$33 million clean coal technology demonstration project sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, and he was CONSOL's lead investigator on a number of research projects focusing on topics such as chemical looping, carbon dioxide capture, water treatment, and ambient air quality. More recently, Dan was responsible for all technical aspects of CONSOL's thermal and metallurgical coal sales, for developing its market strategy, and for managing its mine planning, coal quality, and reserves functions. He has served as a key team member for several major transactions, including the successful spin-off of CONSOL's coal business from its natural gas E&P business.

Dan earned his B.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Notre Dame, and he is a graduate of CONSOL's Leadership Education and Development program. He is the author of more than 50 publications and presentations on topics related to coal, energy, and the environment.

### **Carnegie Mellon University Professor Katie Whitehead Featured in ACS Publication C and E News**

Carnegie Mellon University's Katie Whitehead's research on engineered breast milk was featured in the March 4, 2019 issue of Chemical and Engineering News. Read the article [here](#). Congratulations, Katie!

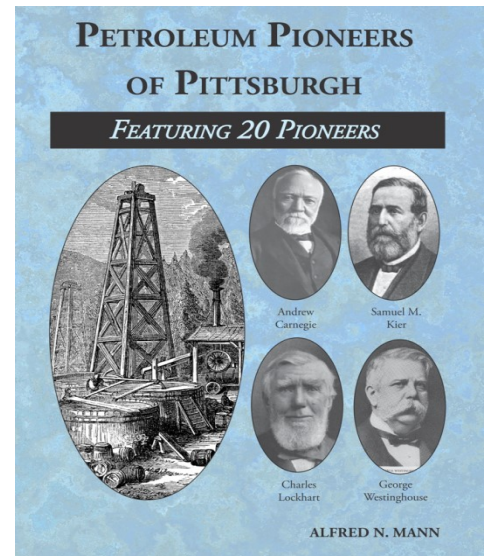
# Petroleum Pioneers of Pittsburgh

Alfred N. Mann

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February 2019

The Department of Chemistry at Carlow University invites applications for a full-time non-tenure track Chemistry Laboratory Instructor with an anticipated start date of August 2019. A broad knowledge of chemistry and proficiency in a diverse array of laboratory skills is essential. The position entails teaching undergraduate laboratory sections across the program curriculum possibly including general, organic, chemical principles, and physics.

Carlow University, a private, Catholic, liberal arts, comprehensive University in Pittsburgh, PA. Carlow University was founded in 1929 by the Sisters of Mercy, an international community of Roman Catholic women with a mission to serve the poor, the sick, and the uneducated. Carlow, an institution grounded in the liberal arts while also offering strong professional programs, is committed to engaging its diverse community in a process of life-long learning, scholarship, research, and service. Degrees are offered at the baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels. Carlow is recognized as a College of Distinction, a Catholic College of Distinction, and a Pennsylvania College of Distinction for 2018-19. Carlow has also been selected by Abound as a provider of Top Degrees for Adult Undergraduates for 2017 and is regionally ranked by US News & World Report. The University was recently named one of Money Magazine's "Best Colleges for Your Money."

**We seek an innovative leader with the following qualifications:**

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Dear Academic ACS Pittsburgh Section Members,

The Pittsburgh Section of the American Chemical Society has budgeted funds to help encourage undergraduate/graduate student participation in national and regional ACS meetings. The awards are intended to help defray meeting registration and travel-related expenses (lodging, transportation, per diem) for eligible students. Awards will be made based on the scientific merit of the paper/poster to

be presented, financial need, and preference will be given to ACS members.

To apply for the funds, applicants should complete the attached application and return it by the relevant deadline. The deadlines for receipt of applications are as follows:

- **06/01 (for travel to be completed by 12/31)**
- **12/01 (for travel to be completed by 06/30)**

As noted on the application, students should include an abstract and confirmation (if received) of the paper/poster being accepted for the Meeting. In addition to the application form, applicants should include a recommendation letter from the PI of the project being presented and/or a recommendation letter from another and a personal statement as to the anticipated benefits of meeting attendance.

Applications can be made electronically (*preferred*) by emailing the application to Heather Juzwa

([hlijuzwa@shimadzu.com](mailto:hlijuzwa@shimadzu.com) or [heather\\_sapko@hotmail.com](mailto:heather_sapko@hotmail.com)) or by mailing a hard-copy application (Pittsburgh Section ACS Travel Grants / Heather Juzwa / Center / 321 Winners Circle / Canonsburg, PA 15317).

Since 2013, the Pittsburgh Section of the ACS has awarded up to four \$500 grants each year to aid our undergraduate/graduate student members in presenting papers or posters at ACS Meetings.

This is an ongoing program in our Section, and details will be updated on our website, ([www.pittsburghACS.org](http://www.pittsburghACS.org)), as necessary.

Applicants will be notified via email that their application was received. All efforts will be made to announce awards within two weeks of the application deadline, and all applicants will be notified of the final committee decisions. Our Section is looking forward to helping increase the participation of local students in ACS conferences. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Heather Juzwa, ACS Pittsburgh Section Student Travel Grants, Chair

Senior Field Sales Engineer, Shimadzu Scientific Instruments, Inc.



<i>Application Deadline</i>	<i>Travel Completion Date</i>
December 1 <sup>st</sup>	June 30 <sup>th</sup> (subsequent year)
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	December 31 <sup>st</sup> (same year)

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate Student / Year

\_\_\_\_\_ Graduate Student / Year

Mailing Address to Receive Payment if Awarded \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

PI: \_\_\_\_\_

ACS Membership No.\*: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If you do not know your ACS number, please email [hljuzwa@shimadzu.com](mailto:hljuzwa@shimadzu.com) to receive it by email.*

Meeting Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Meeting Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Paper Presentation      \_\_\_\_\_ Poster Presentation

*\*Please attach a copy of your project abstract to the application.*

Has your project been accepted?      Yes      No

*\*Attach documentation regarding acceptance if received at point of application.*

Will this be your first presentation at an ACS national or regional meeting?      Yes      No

If no, please list conferences at which you have presented: \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose of grant: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other funding sources (if any):

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Personal Statement of anticipated benefits of meeting attendance

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Has the applicant received a travel grant from the ACS Pittsburgh Section in the past?    Yes    No

If your application was selected, the Pittsburgh Section of the ACS would like you to write a short (one page) description of your activity upon completion of the conference for publication in our monthly newsletter, The Crucible, and on our website. The description is due within 30 days of the meeting attended.

I am willing to complete this report:    Yes    No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed hard-copy applications and supporting documentation to:

Pittsburgh Section ACS Travel Grants

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### Volunteers Needed!

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## Pittsburgh Area Calendar

### Tuesday, April 16

2019 Mildred Perry Memorial Lecture

**“Chemical Biology to Discover Functional Post-Translational Modifications of Proteins”**

Dr. Megan Matthews, Department of Chemistry, University of Pennsylvania

St. Francis University Science Center, 117 Evergreen Drive, Loretto, PA

### Thursday, April 18

ACS Energy Technology Group

**“Advanced Coal Through New Technology Development for Mining and Beneficiation”**

Lombardozzi’s Restaurant—Bloomfield, 4786 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh, PA

### Saturday, May 18

2019 Tripartite Symposium

**Chemists Without Borders**

Carlow University, AJ Palumbo Hall of Science and Technology, 3333 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA