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Pesticide Chemistry

10-14 August 2014, San Francisco, CA

The **13th IUPAC International Congress of Pesticide Chemistry** will be held in San Francisco, 10-14 August 2014. Hosted by the Agrochemicals Division of the American Chemical Society, the congress is being organized by co-chairs Laura McConnell of the USDA Agriculture Research Service and Ken Racke of Dow AgroSciences.

The program will encompass both traditional chemical pesticides and biotechnology-based crop protection approaches. Furthermore, the theme "Crop, Environment, and Public Health protection: Technologies for a Changing World" recognizes a

need for greater emphasis on public health protection. A focus on technology will widen the umbrella for a host of activities that are interdisciplinary. One of the objectives in choosing the Congress theme is to attract attendees interested in non-traditional "pesticides" including disinfectants and veterinary drugs, emerging environmental contaminant issues (such as consumer products and drugs in water), and technologies for application of products and implementation of nonchemical pest management strategies.

A report on the 2010 meeting has been published in *Outlooks on Pest Management*, Dec. 2010, p. 288 <<http://dx.doi.org/10.1564/21dec10>> and <www.iupac.org/web/act/Melbourne_2010-07-04>.

 www.iupac2014.org

Catalysis in Organic Synthesis

15-20 September 2012, Moscow, Russia

The **International Conference on Catalysis in Organic Synthesis** (ICCOS-2012) will be held 15-20 September 2012 in Moscow, Russia. The main goal of the scientific program is to highlight the state of the art in catalysis and exchange ideas toward further development.

Major topics are as follows:

- Transition metal complexes and nanoparticles as efficient and selective catalysts for organic transformations
- Organocatalysis
- Catalysis for development of new synthetic methods
- Enantioselective catalysis
- Catalytic activation and functionalization of organic molecules
- Catalysis for green chemistry and sustainable

development

- Mechanisms of catalytic reactions, theoretical and experimental studies, bonding, and reactivity of catalytic species

A number of distinguished scientists have confirmed their participation, including Matthias Beller, Christian Bruneau, Robert Grubbs, Burkhard Koenig, Ei-ichi Negishi, Helmut Schwarz, Michinori Sugimoto, Alexandre Alexakis, Albrecht Berkessel, Karl A. Jorgensen, Benjamin List, Andrei Malkov, Keiji Maruoka, Paolo Melchiorre, and Yoshiji Takemoto.

Early-bird registration is open until 31 April 2012. Participants are invited to submit abstracts for oral communications (deadline is 1 May) or poster presentations (deadline is 15 July).

 www.ioc.ac.ru/iccos-2012

Nanostructured and Biorelated Materials

9-12 May 2012, Kathmandu, Nepal

The **Kathmandu Symposia on Advanced Materials** (KaSAM-2012) will provide a platform for presentation of innovations in Materials Science and Engineering from academia and industries. The conference will be accompanied by a one day Short Course (targeted to the students and young researchers): Recent Trends in Materials Science and a one day special Workshop:

All about Bamboo.

The idea behind the Bamboo Workshop is to bring the experts involved in agriculture, environmental issues, economy and technological aspects of this nature's wonder material together in a common platform in order to discuss the issues such as advancements in the bamboo science including potential utilization in fabrication of new materials, impacts on environment.

 www.nepalpolymer.org/welcome.htm