



2014 FELLOWS

of
the NATIONAL ACADEMY OF INVENTORS



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Dear NAI Fellows:

On behalf of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), I congratulate you, the National Academy of Inventors and the newly-elected class of 2014 Fellows of the NAI. The USPTO is privileged to participate in recognizing the 170 academic innovators in this distinguished group of prolific inventors.

Since its beginnings in 2010, the NAI has met an important need in our country and around the world by celebrating and honoring the remarkable achievements of some of the top minds in academic research and innovation, encouraging disclosures, mentoring young inventors, and promoting discoveries that have a significant impact on our society and quality of life. I am honored to serve on the NAI Fellows Selection Committee as the Fellows program provides a unique opportunity to shine a spotlight on our nation's top inventors. We congratulate the Fellows on their outstanding achievements!

The USPTO values our friendship and collaboration with the NAI as we discharge our own mission to advance and protect innovation. I look forward to a lasting relationship between the USPTO and NAI, one that will continue to benefit both of our organizations, the innovation community, our nation and its citizens.

Again, congratulations to the 2014 Fellows. I wish the NAI continued growth and success in future endeavors.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peggy Focarino".

Margaret (Peggy) Focarino
Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

ABOUT THE NAI FELLOWS PROGRAM

Election to NAI Fellow status is a high professional distinction accorded to academic inventors who have demonstrated a prolific spirit of innovation in creating or facilitating outstanding inventions that have made a tangible impact on quality of life, economic development, and the welfare of society.

Academic inventors and innovators elected to the rank of NAI Fellow are nominated by their peers for outstanding contributions to innovation in areas such as patents and licensing, innovative discovery and technology, significant impact on society, and support and enhancement of innovation. The nomination packets are reviewed by the NAI Fellows Selection Committee. The number of Fellows elected each year is dependent on the quality of the nominations submitted. Committee members may not vote on a nominee from their institution. Decisions of the Selection Committee are final. If a nominee is not elected to Fellow status, he or she may be nominated and selected at a future time.

HOW TO NOMINATE FOR NAI FELLOWSHIP

Nominees must be:

- A named inventor on at least one patent issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office
- Affiliated with a university, non-profit research institute, governmental agency or other academic entity

The following information must be included with the online submission form:

- Nominee's CV
- A full list of nominee's U.S. Patents
- Letter of Nomination

Nominations open July 1 – November 1 annually

Submit nominations online at: www.academyofinventors.com/fellows.asp

ABOUT OUR FELLOWS

With the induction of the 2014 class, there are now 61 presidents and senior leadership of research universities and non-profit research institutes, 212 members of the other National Academies (NAS, NAE, IOM), 23 inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame, 16 recipients of the U.S. National Medal of Technology and Innovation, 10 recipients of the U.S. National Medal of Science, 21 Nobel Laureates, 11 Lemelson-MIT prize recipients, 112 AAAS Fellows, and 62 IEEE Fellows, among other awards and distinctions. Collectively, the Fellows hold nearly 14,000 issued U.S. patents, representing more than 150 prestigious research universities and governmental and non-profit research institutes.



Host Remarks & Keynote Introduction By:

Mory Gharib, Ph.D.

Vice Provost for Research
California Institute of Technology

Mory Gharib, Ph.D., is Vice Provost for Research and Hans W. Liepmann Professor of Aeronautics and Bioinspired Engineering at the California Institute of Technology, specializing in hydro and aerodynamics, biological flows, bioinspired medical devices, and advanced flow visualization techniques. He co-founded the Bioengineering Option at Caltech. He holds more than 50 U.S. patents in areas of biomedical devices and imaging technology. He is a Fellow of the National Academy of Inventors and the American Association for the Advancement of Science and five other professional societies. He has received five new technology recognition awards from NASA in the fields of advanced laser imaging and nanotechnology and the R&D 100 Award for the design of a 3D imaging system.



Keynote Address By:

Andrew Faile

Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations
United States Patent and Trademark Office

As the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations, Andrew Faile is responsible for all patent examining functions in the nine Patent Technology Centers, the Office of Patent Training and the Central Reexamination Unit. Faile was the Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations for the Electrical Discipline and has over 20 years of experience in patent examining and operations management. He first joined the USPTO in 1989 as a patent examiner in the areas of cellular telephony, radio frequency communications, and cable television. In 1994, he earned an examiner master's rating in telecommunications. Recently, Faile served on a joint management/union task force in charge of modernizing the examiner production system. He was awarded the Department of Commerce Silver Medal for his work on the task force.



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HON. DENNIS ROSS OF FLORIDA

Extension of Remarks

Honoring 2014 Fellows of the National Academy of Inventors

Friday, February 13, 2015

MR. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 170 inventors who will soon be recognized at the California Institute of Technology and inducted as the 2014 Fellows of the National Academy of Inventors (NAI). In order to be named as a Fellow, these men and women were nominated by their peers and have undergone the scrutiny of the NAI Selection Committee, having had their innovations deemed as making significant impact on quality of life, economic development, and welfare of society. Collectively, among this elite group holds nearly 5,000 patents.

The individuals making up this year's class of Fellows include individuals from 114 research universities and non-profit research institutes spanning not just the United States but also the world. The now 414 member group of Fellows is comprised of 61 presidents and senior leadership of research universities and non-profit research institutes, 208 members of the other National Academies, 21 inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame, 16 recipients of the U.S. National Medal of Technology and Innovation, 10 recipients of the U.S. National Medal of Science, 21 Nobel Laureates, 11 Lemelson-MIT prize recipients, 112 AAAS Fellows, among other awards and distinctions.

The National Academy of Inventors was founded in 2010 by Paul R. Sanberg at the University of South Florida. Its mission is to recognize and encour-

age inventors with patents issued from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, enhance the visibility of academic technology and innovation, encourage the disclosure of intellectual property, educate and mentor innovative students, and translate the inventions of its members to benefit society.

The contributions made to society through innovation are immeasurable. I commend these individuals, and the organizations that support them, for the work that they do to revolutionize the world we live in. As the following inventors are inducted, may it encourage future innovators to strive to meet this high honor and continue the spirit of innovation.

The 2014 NAI Fellows include:

Ilhan A. Aksay, Princeton University; Nancy L. Allbritton, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Jan P. Allebach, Purdue University; Daniel W. Armstrong, The University of Texas at Arlington; Frances H. Arnold, California Institute of Technology; Kyriacos A. Athanasiou, University of California, Davis; Nadine N. Aubry, Northeastern University; David Baltimore, California Institute of Technology; Amit Bandyopadhyay, Washington State University; Joseph J. Beaman, Jr., The University of Texas at Austin; James A. Birchler, University of Missouri-Columbia; Donald R. Bobbitt, University of Arkansas; Jeffrey T. Borenstein, The Charles Stark

Draper Laboratory; H. Kim Bottomly, Wellesley College; Scott A. Brandt, University of California, Santa Cruz; Steven P. Briggs, University of California, San Diego; Robert A. Brown, Boston University; Karen J.L. Burg, Kansas State University; Robert H. Byrne, University of South Florida; A. Robert Calderbank, Duke University; Emily A. Carter, Princeton University; Alexander N. Cartwright, The State University of New York; H. Jonathan Chao, New York University; Ching-Shih Chen, The Ohio State University; Ashutosh Chilkoti, Duke University; Arul M. Chinnaiyan, University of Michigan; Steven Chu, Stanford University; James J. Coleman, The University of Texas at Dallas; J. Edward Colgate, Northwestern University; Barry S. Collier, The Rockefeller University; R. Graham Cooks, Purdue University; Rory A. Cooper, University of Pittsburgh; Harold G. Craighead, Cornell University; Charles S. Craik, University of California, San Francisco; Alfred J. Crosby, University of Massachusetts Amherst; Marcos Dantus, Michigan State University; Huw M.L. Davies, Emory University; Mark R.D. Davies, University of Limerick; Mark E. Dean, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Richard D. DiMarchi, Indiana University; Michael A. Dirr, The University of Georgia; Richard A. Dixon, University of North Texas; John P. Donoghue, Brown University; Jonathan S. Dordick, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Jennifer A. Doudna,

University of California, Berkeley; Anatoly Dritschilo, Georgetown University; Robert V. Duncan, Texas Tech University; Russell D. Dupuis, Georgia Institute of Technology; Victor J. Dzau, Duke University; James H. Eberwine, University of Pennsylvania; Elazer R. Edelman, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; J. Gary Eden, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Jennifer H. Elisseeff Johns Hopkins University; Sir Martin J. Evans, Cardiff University; David A. Evans, Harvard University; Gregg B. Fields, Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies; Stephen R. Forrest, University of Michigan; Michael W. Fountain, University of South Florida; Ingrid Fritsch, University of Arkansas; Cynthia M. Furse, The University of Utah; Elsa M. Garmire, Dartmouth College; Samuel H. Gellman, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Amit Goyal, Oak Ridge National Laboratory; Bruce D. Hammock, University of California, Davis; Justin Hanes, Johns Hopkins University; Frank W. Harris, The University of Akron; Vikki Hazelwood, Stevens Institute of Technology; Maurice P. Herlihy, Brown University; John C. Herr, University of Virginia; David R. Hillyard, The University of Utah; Jeffrey A. Hubbell, The University of Chicago; Suzanne T. Ildstad, University of Louisville; M. Saif Islam, University of California, Davis; Robert D. Ivarie, The University of Georgia; Allan J. Jacobson, University of Houston; Trevor O. Jones, Case Western Reserve University; Michael E. Jung, University of California, Los Angeles; Kattesh V. Katti, University of Missouri-Columbia; Jay D. Keasling, University of California, Berkeley; Behrokh Khoshnevis, University of Southern California; Marcia J. Kieliszewski, Ohio University; Michael N. Kozicki, Arizona State University; Juan C. Lasheras, University of California, San Diego; Wen-Hwa Lee, China Medical University; Chiang J. Li, Harvard University; James Linder, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Stuart M. Lindsay, Arizona State University; Robert J. Linhardt, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Philip S. Low, Purdue University; Yuri M. Lvov, Louisiana Tech University; Asad M. Madni, University of California, Los Angeles; Marc J. Madou, University of California, Irvine; Richard A. Mathies, University of California, Berkeley; Richard D. McCullough, Harvard University; Carver A. Mead, California Institute of Technology; Wen Jin Meng, Louisiana State University; Xiang-Jin Meng, Virginia Tech; Thomas O. Mensah, Florida State University; Antonios G. Mikos, Rice University; Richard K. Miller, Olin College of Engineering; Duane D. Miller, The University of Tennessee Health Science Center; Jan D. Miller, The University of Utah; Sergey B. Mirov, The University of Alabama at Birmingham; Jeffrey R. Morgan, Brown University; Brij M. Moudgil, University of Florida; José M.F. Moura, Carnegie Mellon University; Shuji Nakamura, University of California, Santa Barbara; Jagdish Narayan, North Carolina State University; Shree K. Nayar, Columbia University; Douglas F. Nixon, The George Washington University; Babatunde A. Ogunnaike, University of Delaware; Iwao Ojima, Stony Brook University; Nicholas A. Peppas, The University of Texas at Austin; Michael A. Peshkin, Northwestern University; Victor L. Poirier, University of South Florida; Mark R. Prausnitz, Georgia Institute of Technology; Darwin J. Prockop, Texas A&M University; Alain T. Rappaport, Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Renee A. Reijo Pera, Montana State University; Daniel E. Resasco, The University of Oklahoma; Rebecca R. Richards-Kortum, Rice University; Yasuko Rikihisa, The Ohio State University; Pradeep K. Rohatgi, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Bärbel M. Rohrer, Medical University of South Carolina; Erkki Ruoslahti, Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute; B. Don Russell, Jr., Texas A&M University; Ram Sasisekharan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; W. Gregory Sawyer, University of Florida; Axel Scherer, California Institute of Technology; Joseph M. Schimels, Marquette University; C. Richard Schlegel, Georgetown University; Saïd M. Sebti, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer & Research Institute; George E. Seidel, Jr., Colorado State University; Arup K. SenGupta, Lehigh University; Wan Y. Shih, Drexel University; Kevin M. Short, University of New Hampshire; Richard B. Silverman, Northwestern University; Marwan A. Simaan, University of Central Florida; Raj N. Singh, Oklahoma State University; Thomas C. Skalak, University of Virginia; Mohamed Y. Soliman, Texas Tech University; Bruce J. Tatarchuk, Auburn University; Gordon A. Thomas, New Jersey Institute of Technology; Mark E. Thompson, University of Southern California; Thomas G. Thundat, University of Alberta; Richard B. Timmons, The University of Texas at Arlington; Mark L. Tykocinski, Thomas Jefferson University; Kamil Ugurbil, University of Minnesota; Anthony J. Vizzini, Wichita State University; Horst Vogel, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne; Nicholi Vorsa, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey; Gordana Vunjak-Novakovic, Columbia University; Kristiina Vuori, Sanford-Burnham Medical Research Institute; Kevin M. Walsh, University of Louisville; Christine A. Wang, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Shaomeng Wang, University of Michigan; Paul H. Weigel, The University of Oklahoma; Jonathan A. Wickert, Iowa State University; Alan E. Willner, University of Southern California; Richard C. Willson, III, University of Houston; Chi-Huey Wong, Academia Sinica; John A. Woollam, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Shelby D. Worley, Auburn University; Chris Xu, Cornell University; Ping Xu, Shanghai Jiao Tong University; Zhi Xu, University of Missouri-St. Louis; Janet K. Yamamoto, University of Florida; Shu Yang, University of Pennsylvania; Michael J. Yaszemski, Mayo Clinic; Phillip D. Zamore, University of Massachusetts Medical School.

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Ilhan A. Aksay, Princeton University

Ilhan A. Aksay, Ph.D., is a Professor in the Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering at Princeton University. He earned his Ph.D. (1973) in materials science and engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. His research activities include the processing science of ceramic matrix composites, thermodynamics and phase equilibria in materials systems, diffusion and structural studies in ionic systems, interfacial reactions and capillarity phenomena, and the utilization of self-assembly techniques in materials processing. He is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering (2010) and the Science Academy, Turkey (2012) and a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). He holds 49 U.S. patents which are being utilized either by the companies he has consulted with or the companies that he has helped to start.



Nancy L. Allbritton, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Nancy L. Allbritton, M.D., Ph.D., is the Debreczeny Distinguished Professor of Chemistry at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She obtained her B.S. in physics from Louisiana State University, her Ph.D. in Medical Physics/Medical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and her M.D. from Johns Hopkins University. After a postdoctoral fellowship in cell biology at Stanford University, she joined the faculty of the University of California, Irvine in 1994. In 2009, she became Chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, a joint department between North Carolina State University and UNC. She is a Fellow in the AIMBE and AAAS. Her research focuses on the development of new technologies to address biomedical problems. Allbritton is the scientific founder of three companies, Protein Simple (acquired by Bio-Techne), Intellego, and Cell Microsystems, and has 11 issued patents with more than 10 patents pending.



Jan P. Allebach, Purdue University

Jan P. Allebach, Ph.D., is the Hewlett-Packard Distinguished Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Purdue University. His current research interests include image rendering, image quality, 2.5D printing, content creation, and metadata embedding and manufacturing based on printing technologies. Allebach is a Fellow of IEEE, the Society for Imaging Science and Technology (IS&T), and SPIE. He was named Electronic Imaging Scientist of the Year by IS&T and SPIE, and was named Honorary Member of IS&T, the highest award that IS&T bestows. He was the recipient of the 2013 IEEE Daniel E. Noble Award and elected to membership in the National Academy of Engineering in 2014, both on the basis of his work on digital halftoning. He is a co-inventor on 28 issued patents. The results of his research have been licensed to major vendors of imaging hardware and can be found in products that have sold millions of units worldwide.



Daniel W. Armstrong, The University of Texas at Arlington

Daniel W. Armstrong, Ph.D., is the Welch Professor of Chemistry at The University of Texas at Arlington (B.S., Washington & Lee University; M.S., Ph.D., Texas A&M University), and is on the Scientific Advisory Board of three companies and one university. He has more than 600 publications, 29 book chapters, 30 patents, has given more than 515 invited lectures and trained more than 170 graduates and post-graduates. His work received approximately 30,000 citations (h-index 86). He started two companies and is President of AZYP, LLC. He received over 35 awards and honors for his work. Over 30 LC and GC columns he developed have been commercialized. His work, in part, provided impetus for the FDA's regulatory changes regarding chiral drugs. He developed the most comprehensive characterization models for room temperature ionic liquids (ILs) and pioneered their use in analytical chemistry, which led to the commercialization of IL GC phases. He also developed ILs as versatile additives for MALDI-MS and PIESI-MS.



Frances H. Arnold, California Institute of Technology

Frances H. Arnold, Ph.D., is the Dickinson Professor of Chemical Engineering, Bioengineering, and Biochemistry at the California Institute of Technology. Arnold pioneered the 'directed evolution' of proteins, mimicking Darwinian evolution in the laboratory to create new biological molecules. Her laboratory has developed methods of laboratory evolution and structure-guided recombination that are used widely in industry and basic science to engineer proteins with new and useful properties. Arnold has been inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame (2014) and has received the National Medal of Technology and Innovation (2011) and the Draper Prize (2011). She has been elected to membership in all three U.S. National Academies, of Science, Medicine, and Engineering. Arnold holds more than 40 U.S. patents and has served on the science advisory boards of numerous companies. She co-founded Gevo, Inc. in 2005 to make fuels and chemicals from renewable resources and Provivi in 2013 to develop biological crop protection.



Kyriacos A. Athanasiou, University of California, Davis

Kyriacos A. Athanasiou, Ph.D., is a Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Engineering and Orthopaedic Surgery, Child Family Professor of Engineering, and Chair of Biomedical Engineering at the University of California, Davis. He obtained his Ph.D. in Bioengineering (Mechanical Engineering) from Columbia University in 1989. He has published over 300 peer-reviewed papers, 20 books, and 30 patents. He has served as president of the Biomedical Engineering Society and editor-in-chief of the *Annals of Biomedical Engineering*. His list of awards includes the Nemitsas Prize (Cyprus' largest award presented by the Cyprus President), Lissner Medal, Distinguished Service Award from BMES, Wall Street Journal's 2008 Innovation Award, Thomas A. Edison Patent Award, Hershel Rich Outstanding Invention Award, Marshal Urist Award for Excellence in Tissue Regeneration Research, and the Van Mow Medal. In addition to his academic interests, he has been involved with affecting the translation of devices and instruments into clinical use and commercialization.



Nadine N. Aubry, Northeastern University

Nadine N. Aubry, Ph.D., is a University Distinguished Professor and the Dean of the College of Engineering at Northeastern University. She is known for her contributions to low-dimensional modeling of turbulent flows and her work on microfluidics, including judicious micromixers and innovative particle manipulation techniques. She is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, and a Fellow of the American Physical Society, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. She is a former chair of the National Academies' U.S. National Committee on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics and past chair of the American Physical Society's Division of Fluid Dynamics. Prior to joining Northeastern, she was Head of Mechanical Engineering at Carnegie Mellon University where she had been appointed the Lane Distinguished Professor and University Professor. She received her Ph.D. in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering in 1987 from Cornell University.



David Baltimore, California Institute of Technology

David Baltimore, Ph.D., is President Emeritus and Robert Andrews Millikan Professor of Biology at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, California. He received his B.A. in Chemistry from Swarthmore College in 1960 and a Ph.D. in 1964 from the Rockefeller University. Awarded the Nobel Prize in 1975 in Physiology or Medicine for his research into viral replication that provided the key to understanding the life cycle of retroviruses, Baltimore has profoundly influenced national science policy on such issues as recombinant DNA research and the AIDS epidemic. He is an accomplished researcher, educator, administrator and public advocate for science and engineering and is considered one of the world's most influential biologists. Baltimore's numerous honors include the 1999 National Medal of Science and 2000 Warren Alpert Foundation Prize and he is past-President and Chair of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and has published more than 680 peer-reviewed articles.



Amit Bandyopadhyay, Washington State University

Amit Bandyopadhyay, Ph.D., is the Herman and Brita Lindholm Endowed Chair Professor in the School of Mechanical and Materials Engineering at Washington State University. He received his Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering from The University of Texas at Arlington in 1995 and then joined Rutgers University for his post-doctoral training. In 1997, Bandyopadhyay joined WSU as an assistant professor, promoted to an associate level in 2001 and to the full professor level in 2006. His research expertise lies with additive manufacturing of hard materials towards structural and biomedical applications. He has communicated over 250 technical articles. He holds 10 U.S. patents and edited 8 books. He has supervised over 35 graduate students for their degrees in physics, materials and mechanical engineering. Bandyopadhyay is a Fellow of the American Ceramic Society, American Society for Materials, American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering and American Association for the Advancement of Science.



Joseph J. Beaman, Jr., The University of Texas at Austin

Joseph J. Beaman, Jr., Sc.D., is the Earnest F. Gloyne Chair in Engineering and Professor of Mechanical Engineering at The University of Texas at Austin. His career work has been manufacturing and control. His specific manufacturing research interest is in Solid Freeform Fabrication (3D Printing), a manufacturing technology that produces freeform solid objects directly from a computer model of the object without part-specific tooling or knowledge. Beaman initiated research in the area in 1985 and was the first academic researcher in the field. One of the most successful approaches, Selective Laser Sintering, was a process that was developed in his laboratory. Beaman has been both an inventor and a mentor to inventors during the development of this technology. In particular, he has worked with graduate students, faculty, and industrial concerns on the fundamental technology that span materials, laser scanning techniques, thermal control, mold making techniques, direct metal fabrication, and biomedical applications. He was one of the founders of DTM Corporation (now merged with 3D Systems). He was elected to the National Academy of Engineering in 2013.



James A. Birchler, University of Missouri-Columbia

James A. Birchler, Ph.D., is a Curators' Professor of Biological Sciences at the University of Missouri. Birchler has made experimental and theoretical contributions to genetic studies of both maize and *Drosophila* systems. His studies have provided insight into gene silencing, centromere epigenetics, heterosis, dosage compensation, aneuploid syndromes, and the evolutionary fate of gene duplications. He is also recognized for developing the first engineered synthetic plant chromosomes as well as for the invention of various chromosome painting and single gene localization protocols. He holds two U.S. patents and four foreign patents for his plant chromosome technology. He has authored over 250 scientific articles, invited reviews and chapters and is associate editor of *The Plant Cell*, *GENETICS* and *G3*. Birchler is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, an Einstein Professor of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and a member of the National Academy of Sciences.



Donald R. Bobbitt, University of Arkansas System

Donald R. Bobbitt, Ph.D., currently serves as President of the University of Arkansas System and is a member of the faculty of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Bobbitt was a member of the team that developed the first laser-based polarimeter suitable for use as a detector in High Performance Liquid Chromatography; it is now commercially marketed by PDR Chiral, Inc. Working with Gary Yanik of PDR Chiral, Bobbitt and his students developed methodology which exploited the bimodal polarimetric signal to characterize partially resolved distributions in process-scale enantio-selective separations. Bobbitt is a recipient of a Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation Teacher-Scholar Fellowship. He holds two U.S. patents and has published over 200 peer-reviewed publications, book chapters and presentations. He previously served on the editorial boards of *The Microchemical Journal* and *Talanta*, and now chairs an NIH study section.



Jeffrey T. Borenstein, The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory

Jeffrey T. Borenstein, Ph.D., is Laboratory Technical Staff, the highest distinction among engineers and scientists, at The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, in Cambridge, Massachusetts. He is a principal investigator for projects involving application of microsystems technology towards engineered tissue constructs, organ assist devices and organ models for drug efficacy and safety testing, as well as implantable drug delivery systems for hearing loss and other diseases. These programs are funded by DARPA, NIH, and several commercial sponsors. Prior to joining Draper in 1994, Borenstein held positions as a research scientist for North American Philips Corporation and Mobil Corporation. He has a Ph.D. in Physics from the University at Albany, SUNY, and holds 35 issued patents, over 60 published patent applications, and has over 100 peer-reviewed journal articles and conference proceedings. His inventions have been licensed to several companies commercializing technologies for applications ranging from automotives and military hardware to medical diagnostics and interventional devices.



H. Kim Bottomly, Wellesley College

H. Kim Bottomly, Ph.D., is Wellesley College's 13th president and the first scientist to lead the college. Credited with leading Wellesley into a global era, she has received recognition for her work as a strong proponent of women's leadership in higher education, in particular, STEM education (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics), and is frequently quoted as an expert in—and defender of—the benefits of a liberal arts education. A renowned immunobiologist, she served on the Yale University faculty for 27 years before moving to Wellesley. She has received many awards and honors, including induction into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. She was named one of the University of Washington's 100 most remarkable alumni of the century.



Scott A. Brandt, University of California, Santa Cruz

Scott A. Brandt, Ph.D., is Vice Chancellor for Research and Professor of Computer Science at the University of California, Santa Cruz. His research focuses on computer systems, including storage systems, real-time systems, and system performance management. He has published approximately 140 peer-reviewed papers and articles and has received research grants and gifts totaling over \$18 million. Brandt also holds nine patents. Four startup companies have been created based on his research, and many other companies have incorporated his research into their products and projects. His storage system research led to development of the Ceph storage system, now standard in the Linux operating system and supported by Red Hat. Brandt spent 10 years doing research and development in industry before joining the UC Santa Cruz faculty in 1999.



Steven P. Briggs, University of California, San Diego

Steven P. Briggs, Ph.D., is Distinguished Professor of Cell and Developmental Biology at the University of California, San Diego and a member of the National Academy of Sciences. He received his Ph.D. from Michigan State University and spent the first half of his career in industry working as Director/Fellow at Pioneer/DuPont, President of Torrey Mesa Research Institute and Head of Genomics at Syngenta, and Sr. Vice President for Corporate Research at Diversa. Briggs is a plant biologist. He has invented gene technology for plant transformation, reverse genetics, and traits. Briggs is co-founder of the algae biomass production company, Sapphire Energy, Inc. and of the proteomics services company, JadeBio, Inc. His current research is focused on statistical models of genome-wide protein regulation.



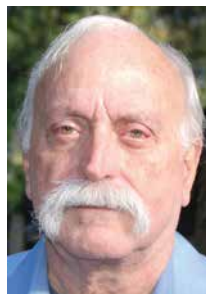
Robert A. Brown, Boston University

Robert A. Brown, Ph.D., has been President of Boston University since 2005. Under his leadership, Boston University was invited to join the Association of American Universities and was ranked 37th in *U.S. News & World Report's* inaugural Best Global Universities in 2014. Brown is a member of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, and the National Academy of Sciences. He is chairman of the Academic Research Council of the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Singapore, and also serves on the Research Innovation and Enterprise Council chaired by the Prime Minister of Singapore. The National Academy of Engineering awarded Brown the Simon Ramo Founders Award in 2014. Previously, Brown was Provost at MIT. He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees in chemical engineering at The University of Texas at Austin, and a Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota.



Karen J.L. Burg, Kansas State University

Karen J.L. Burg, Ph.D., is Vice President for Research at Kansas State University. Honors to Burg include a Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, the inaugural Swiss AO Research Prize, recognition as a Massachusetts Institute of Technology's TR100 Young Innovator, an American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering Fellow, an American Council on Education Fellow, a U.S. Department of Defense Era of Hope Scholar, and an American Association for the Advancement of Science-Lemelson Invention Ambassador. She has seven patents issued, thirteen disclosures and/or provisional patent applications recorded, with one patent serving as the basis for a diagnostics startup company. Burg has given over 200 invited presentations and authored over 140 peer reviewed publications on the subject of engineered tissues. A Burg invention was one of ten technologies featured in the inaugural Avon Foundation for Women - National Institutes of Health - Center for Advancing Innovation Breast Cancer Start-Up Challenge.



Robert H. Byrne, University of South Florida

Robert H. Byrne, Ph.D., is a Distinguished University Professor in the College of Marine Science at the University of South Florida. He has made important contributions in the field of marine physical chemistry, developing not only new procedures for characterizing the carbon dioxide (CO₂) system in aqueous environments, but also new instrumentation for measuring nutrients, trace elements, and CO₂ system parameters in freshwater and seawater. He holds 13 U.S. and foreign patents and is one of the co-founders of Ocean Optics, Inc. He has 193 peer-reviewed publications and has served as an associate editor for *Geochemica et Cosmochimica Acta* for more than 20 years. Byrne is a Fellow of the American Geophysical Union and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.



A. Robert Calderbank, Duke University

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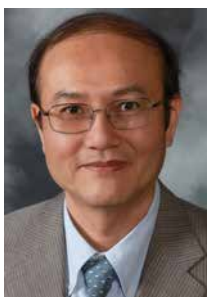
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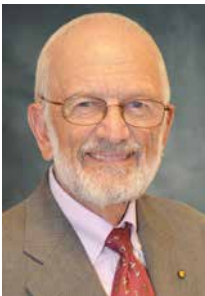
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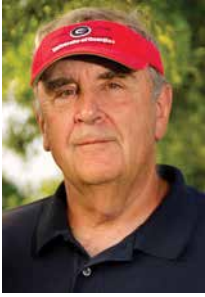
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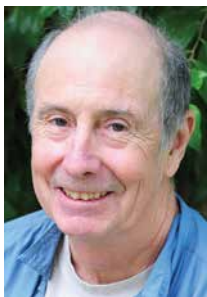
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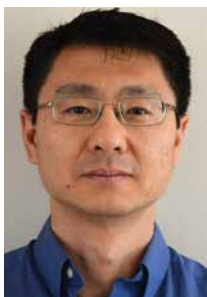
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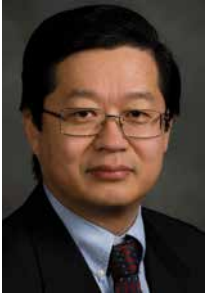
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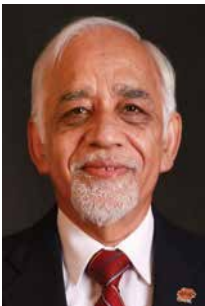
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Sir George Henry Martin, CBE
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Producer of The Beatles

A composer in his own right, George has been responsible for the music of a considerable number of films, ‘A Hard Day’s Night’ (for which he won an Academy Awards Nomination); ‘The Family Way’; John Schlesinger’s ‘Honky Tonk Freeway’; ‘Yellow Submarine’; ‘Pulp’ starring Michael Caine and Mickey Rooney; ‘Optimist of Nine Elms’ with Peter Sellers and the Bond movie ‘Live and Let Die’ (for which he won a Grammy). He was also Musical Director and Composer for ‘Sgt. Pepper’ starring the Bee Gees and ‘Give My Regards to Broad Street’ and the award winning cartoon ‘Rupert and The Frog Song’ for Paul McCartney. He also composed The David Frost Theme, ‘By George’ for television and BBC Radio One’s signature tune ‘Theme One’. It was in 1962 that he signed The Beatles to EMI - a decision which launched them on their remarkable career, producing every record they made until they disbanded in 1970. George has received several distinguished honors and awards including: an Academy Award in 1964, six Grammy Awards, induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and in 1988 George was appointed C.B.E. (Commander of the British Empire) for his services to the music industry. He continues to write music; perform concerts; give motivational talks; work with charities; advise broadcasters and government on music content and serves as an active research advocate.



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