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Spring 2018 Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 18-22

Excited to share your research findings? Or interested in cutting-edge scientific innovations? A wide range of symposia, exhibitions, and papers will be presented at ACS meeting in New Orleans. Networking with potential employers and recruiters at ACS Career Fair can pave the next step for forthcoming graduates and early career fellows. Please join us for:



- **Technical and Poster Sessions:** There are several hundred platform and poster presentations under 32 ENVR symposia organized by the experts. The detail on ENVR sessions is available on <http://acsenvr.com/>. A special thanks to our financial sponsors including ES&T Journal, Agilent Technologies, Inc., ACS Committee on Environmental Improvement (CEI), European Chemical Sciences (EuCheMS), and AIChE.
- **Division Meetings:** We invite your participation in a range of available volunteer and leadership opportunities from one-time events to programming, awards, and executive committee positions. Members and potential members are welcome to all of the Division's meetings on **Sunday, March 18th** at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, Room 215.
 - Program planning: 2:00-3:00 pm
 - Long range planning: 3:00-5:00 pm
 - Executive committee: 7:00-10:00 pmCommittee Chairs would appreciate your ideas about future programming, even if you can't attend the program planning meeting. Please contact Sherine Obare (sherine.obare@wmich.edu) and Jillian Goldfarb (jzg321@psu.edu).
- **Judge Needed for Certificate of Merit (COM):** Our first-time presenters in New Orleans would appreciate your feedback. Please help us to recognize outstanding presenters! If you're available to serve as a judge, please contact Hongxia (Sharon) Guan (sguan1@ggc.edu). COM awardees from the Washington, D.C. meeting and the graduate student awardees in 2017 will be available soon on division webpage, stay tuned!
- **Meet ES&T Journal Editors at ENVR Social Event:** We hope you'll join us to mix and mingle with fellow division members including someone who reviewed and/or potentially will review your manuscripts in future! **ENVR Reception:** Tuesday (March 20th), 6:00-8:00 pm, **Location:** B.B. King's Blues Club, 1104 Decatur Street, **Cost:** \$20. Please purchase your tickets with your ACS meeting registration. Limited tickets may be available onsite at the ENVR table... *but don't count on it!* Many thanks to our generous sponsors Agilent Technologies, Inc. and ES&T Journal.
- **Are You Still Looking for a Roommate for New Orleans Meeting?** Finding a roommate can be challenging at national meetings. The ACS ENVR members' classifieds section includes a "conference roommate finder" for the first time. Please visit <http://acsenvr.com/members/>; we hope that ENVR members find it useful. Housing and registration are open and available at <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/meetings/national-meeting.html>. If any questions, contact ENVR Spring Program Chair Sherine Obare (sherine.obare@wmich.edu).

- **CEI Open Breakfast:** ENVR members are cordially invited to a free Open Meeting (7:45-9:00 am, Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, Rm 345, Monday, March 19th) organized by Committee on Environmental Improvement (CEI).
- **Inaugural ACS-AIChE Workshop:** ACSenvr welcomes industrial practitioners, graduate educators, and graduate students to a workshop on “*Identifying the Gaps and Opportunities in Graduate Education to Improve Sustainability of the US Chemical Industries.*” Participants in this workshop will discuss how graduate education can better integrate sustainability and environmental components to address the current and future needs of the engineering/chemistry community. Don’t miss this groundbreaking opportunity to share best practices, come up with innovative ideas, and establish long-lasting professional connections and joint programming initiatives. The workshop will be held at Le Meridien Hotel, New Orleans, Esplanade Ballroom 2 on Sunday, March 18th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The workshop is free of cost but requires registration at <https://goo.gl/forms/djW4bDbnkAaNXAJD3>. Travel awards are also available on a first-come, first-served basis. For details, please contact Alexander Orlov (alexander.orlov@stonybrook.edu) or Peney Patton (division@acsenvr.com).

Call for Papers for Fall 2018 Meeting, Boston, MA, August 19-23

Abstract submission is now open for 256th ACS National Meeting & Exposition “Nanoscience, Nanotechnology & Beyond.” A full list of ENVR’s oral and poster sessions are available at <https://callforpapers.acs.org/boston2018/ENVR>. Submit your abstracts by **March 12**. Please contact ENVR Fall Program Chair Jillian Goldfarb (jzg321@psu.edu) for any questions.

Interested in Organizing? Call for Symposia for 2019 Spring and Fall Meetings

ENVR has the best programming at ACS because of our amazing organizers! Veterans and rookies alike – if you have a programming idea that you want to see, let’s make it happen! Proposals are sought for 257th National Meeting in Orlando, FL, March 31- April 4, 2019 (*Chemistry for New Frontiers*) as well as for 258th National Meeting in San Diego, CA, August 25-29, 2019 (*Chemistry of Water*). Submit symposium proposal online. For more information, please contact spring meeting program chair Sherine Obare (sherine.obare@wmich.edu) or fall meeting program chair Jillian Goldfarb (jzg321@psu.edu).

Webinar co-sponsored with AGRO

ENVR is proudly co-sponsoring a webinar on *February 14th (noon to 1:00 PM)*. Dr. George Cobb will be moderating, and Dr. Geoff Scott will be presenting “Urbanization and climate change: a recipe for disaster for coastal ecosystem and human health.” Please visit <http://www.agrodiv.org/webinars/> for more details and registration.

Undergraduate Student Award in Environmental Chemistry

Help us recognize outstanding undergraduate students! Nominate an undergraduate student by April 1. Details and nomination forms are available on the Division’s website: <http://acsenvr.com/awards-recognition/undergraduate-student-awards/>

Funding Available for Regional Meeting Programming

The ACS Committee on Environmental Improvement (CEI) and ENVR have joined forces to provide funding for regional meeting programming focused on climate change or sustainability. In 2017 sustainability programming was offered at the Northwest, Mid-Atlantic, and Southeast Regional Meetings. We look forward to building on these successes in 2018. If you are interested in planning regional meeting programming, please apply for funding support through ENVR. Feel free to speak to Mark Benvenuto (benvenma@udmercy.edu) or Anthony (Tony) Noce (Tony.Noce@tetrattech.com) for more information.

ChemLuminary Award for Outstanding Sustainability Activities

The ChemLuminary Award for Outstanding Sustainability Activities sponsored by the CEI recognizes a local section that has introduced a new and outstanding program promoting sustainability at the local

level. If your local section has introduced such a program, please make sure that you self-nominate for the ChemLuminary Award in your Annual Report. Alternatively, you can partner with your Division to propose a new program promoting sustainability at the local section level.

Committee for Environmental Improvement Mini-Grant Program

The Committee on Environmental Improvement, in recognition of the ACS strategic plan objective to be a global leader in enlisting the world's scientific professionals to address, through chemistry, the challenges facing our world, seeks to promote opportunities to enhance the chemical community's awareness of and response to the challenges of sustainability. This mini-grant program is designed to encourage local sections to develop programming that furthers the discussion of sustainability within chemistry. All avenues of programming will be considered, including speakers at local section meetings, Science Cafés, workshops, educational programs, community events, or other innovative programming concepts. Information about these mini-grants is available online at <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/about/governance/committees/cei/local-section-activities/sustainability-programming-grants.html>. The deadline for consideration at the Spring Meeting in New Orleans is February 16, 2018 – please get them submitted as soon as possible.

Call for Nominations for 2018 Election Slate

ACSEnv Division is accepting nominations for division leadership positions for summer 2018 elections (service to begin January 1, 2019) and for committee appointments (service may begin at any time). Please send nominations to George Cobb (george_cobb@baylor.edu).

In Memoriam

ACSEnv is deeply saddened by the recent passing of our members John G. Nevius, Maryann M. Taylor, and Immanuel J. Wilk.

- John G. Nevius was a Chair of Environmental Law Group at New York Office of Anderson Kill. Mr. Nevius's research interests were focused on environmental risk management including cleanup and restoration of contaminated real estate utilizing environmental insurance.
- Maryann M. Taylor was a Research Chemist at Biobased and Other Animal Co-Products Research, USDA. She co-authored several publications on sustainable processing methods of commercially available animal hides and leather products.
- Immanuel J. Wilk was a senior scientist at Neohydro Technologies Corporation. His research focus was on wastewater treatment applications as well as on "green initiative" using electrolysis to eliminate the spread of salmonella and *E. coli* for the food industry.

Have Something to Share?

If you have an important message to share with envirofACS members such as upcoming meetings, awards, and the like, or would like to offer suggestions on how this Newsletter or the Division can better serve your and the community's needs, please contact ENVR Publicity Committee Chair/ Editor envirofACS Newsletter: Bikram Subedi (bsubedi@murraystate.edu) or ENVR Business Office Director Peney Patton (division@acsenvr.com).
