# **NEWS AND VIEWS**



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## Announcements

62nd ASMS Conference on Mass Spectrometry and Allied Topics

June 15 - 19, 2014 Short Courses - June 14 and 15 Baltimore Convention Center Baltimore, MD



Further information may be found at http://www.asms.org/conferences/annual-conference-homepage

### Awards

Professor Lars Konermann, Canada Research Chair of Biophysical Protein Mass Spectrometry in the Department of Chemistry and the Department of Biochemistry at The University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada, has been awarded the Canadian Society for Mass Spectrometry 2013 Fred P. Lossing Award for his distinguished contributions to mass spectrometry in Canada. The award, sponsored by Agilent Technologies Canada Inc., was presented during the 26th Tandem Mass Spectrometry Workshop in Lake Louise, Alberta, Canada, held December 4-7, 2013. A group photograph taken at the workshop, with Prof. Konnerman located at the front right of the picture, is shown below. Another noteworthy event held during the workshop was the annual 'Canada vs. The World' Broomball game. Played under bitterly cold conditions of -35°C (-31°F), the game resulted in a hard fought 2 to 1 goal win in favor of the host team.



# ASMS Speaker Program Report

The Department of Chemistry at Mercer University in Macon, Georgia received support from the ASMS Local Area Speaker Program to fund a visit on November 1, 2013 from Assistant Professor Matthew Bush of the University of Washington. The visit was hosted by Assistant Professor Kathryn D. Kloepper.

During his visit, Prof. Bush met with an Instrumental Analysis class of 14 junior and senior Chemistry and Chemical Commerce majors. During this class meeting, students had the opportunity to ask questions about mass spectrometry research and potential careers. To prepare for his visit, students completed assignments based on Prof. Bush's research group and most recent peerreviewed journal articles.

Prof. Bush also gave a research seminar titled "Ion Mobility Mass Spectrometry of Intact Protein Complexes." The seminar was attended by a total of 70 students and faculty. The students were a diverse group of class years and majors, with all of the science disciplines represented by students from freshmen to seniors.

The remainder of Prof. Bush's visit was filled with individual meetings with nine Chemistry and Biology faculty. Prof. Bush also went to lunch with Mercer students, and held an informal Q&A session for 1.5 hours in the afternoon. The Q&A session was attended by about 15 students.



Matt Bush speaking with Instrumental Analysis students at Mercer University

Additional information regarding the ASMS-sponsored speaker program, whose objectives are to (i) support vibrant seminar programs at local MS discussion groups, (ii) increase exposure of students at non-PhD granting institutions to research in mass spectrometry, and (iii) promote exposure and professional development of young MS professionals at the onset of an independent research career, may be found at: http://www.asms. org/member-center/discussion-groups.

# 2013 Fall Workshop

The 2013 ASMS Fall Workshop "Imaging Mass Spectrometry", organized by **Michelle Reyzer** and **Demian Ifa**, was held at the Hilton Doubletree in Chicago on November 7 & 8, 2013. The group photograph (below) is of the 79 people that attended the workshop. In addition to deep-dish pizza and Chicago-style hot dogs, participants were exposed to expert speakers representing the major imaging disciplines, including SIMS, MALDI, and ambient ionization, and left with a well-rounded introduction to imaging mass spectrometry along with helpful discussions on sample preparation and quantitation.

During the workshop, Michelle Reyzer also recorded a short tutorial video "Imaging Mass Spectrometry: An Overview". This tutorial video will be posted in the "About Mass Spectrometry" section of the ASMS website, and will be available to anyone that wants to learn more about imaging mass spectrometry.



## **Related Events**

ASMS is pleased to offer announcements for other non-profit organizations. Please email details including website to cindi@ asms.org. Visit www.asms.org for additional listings.

#### March 1 - 5, 2014

Mass Spectrometry Applications to the Clinical Laboratory San Diego, CA https://www.msacl.org/

#### March 30 - April 2, 2014

11th Uppsala Conference on Electron Capture & Transfer Dissociation Obergurgl, Austria http://www.uibk.ac.at/organic/uppcon2014

#### April 6 - 9, 2014

**US HUPO Annual Conference** Seattle, WA http://www.ushupo.org

#### May 12 – 15, 2014

**3rd International Vitamin Conference** Washington, DC http://www.vitaminconference.com

#### August 10 - 14, 2014

IUPAC Int'l Congress on Pesticide Chemistry San Francisco, CA http://www.iupac2014.org/

#### August 24 - 29, 2014

**20th International Mass Spectrometry Conference** Geneva, Switzerland http://www.imsc2014.ch/