Pittcon Announces 2014 Technical Program

Pittsburgh, PA — The Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy announced the 2014 Technical Program [1] that includes over 2,000 presentations offered in symposia, oral sessions, workshops, awards and posters. This year's program covers a wide range of applications such as, but not limited to, biotechnology, biomedical, drug discovery, environmental, food science, fuels/energy, lab management, nanotechnology, polymers/plastics and regulations. The Technical Program, begins on Sunday, March 2 and runs through Thursday, March 6, 2014.

Co-programming continues to strengthen and bring diversity to the Technical Program. A sample of some of those symposia highlights include:

- The symposium "NSF National High Field Fourier Transform Ion Cyclotron Resonance User Facility: Instrumentation, Science Drivers, Structure, and Operation," by former Pittcon Plenary Lecturer and current Program Resource Team member Alan G. Marshall will cover mass spectrometry techniques used in fuels, energy and petrochemical.
- The Brazilian symposium, "Science without Borders: Analytical Chemistry Opportunities in Brazil," will present the Scientific Mobility Program, a government sponsored initiative with the goal of promoting, consolidating and expanding science, technology and innovation in Brazil.
- The ACS Division of Analytical Chemistry will conduct six symposia on analytical methods in areas such as clinical diagnostics, environmental analysis, nanomaterials, chemometrics and separation science.
- We are pleased to partner once again with JAIMA. "The State-of-the-Art Technologies That Support Safety and Security in the Future (I & II)"

discusses topics in pharmaceuticals, food science, materials and other safety considerations.
- The Society for Electroanalytical Chemistry [2] **(SEAC)**symposia, “Electroanalysis in Unusual and Extreme Environments,” will talk about the sampling issues with different waste streams and compare various types of bioelectrocatalysis for the different waste stream applications.
- The Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) will offer “Royal Society of Chemistry Session” for using SERS in detection of diseases and pharmaceutical science.
- The Association of Lab Managers (ALMA) symposium, “Attracting, Developing and Maintaining a Lab’s Greatest Asset, Its Staff,” will address topics related to laboratory management.

About Pittcon

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