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Register Now for the IWA/GRA Conference on Emerging Contaminants

Micropollutants include pharmaceuticals, ingredients of personal care products, biocides, fluorinated compounds, disinfection byproducts, nanomaterials, and industrial additives. The presence of these compounds in water, wastewater, and sediments presents numerous technical and institutional challenges to society and environmental/public health professionals.

The International Water Association (IWA) and Groundwater Resources Association of California (GRA), in collaboration with NWRI, will be holding the MICROPOL & ECOHAZARD 2009 Conference on June 8-10, 2009, in San Francisco, California, to profile the latest developments in the detection, risk assessment, treatment, and regulation of micropollutants in all environmental media.

Over 250 attendees from all over the world are expected to attend, including consultants, hydrogeologists, environmental chemists, drinking water and wastewater engineers, water and wastewater utility managers, ecotoxicologists, regulators, attorneys, and policy makers.

Conference topics include:

- Environmental chemistry
- Drinking water treatment
- Wastewater treatment at water reuse
- Fate, transport, and removal in soil and groundwater
- Toxicity and risk assessment
- Regulations and management

Confirmed plenary speakers include:

- Prof. Damia Barcelo, Chemical & Environmental Research Institute of Barcelona, Spain
- Prof. John Coates, University of California at Berkeley
- Prof. Martin Jekel, Technical University of Berlin, Germany
- Prof. Michael Plewa, University of Illinois-Champaign
- Dr. Shane Snyder, Southern Nevada Water Authority

The conference will also include two concurrent oral sessions and poster/exhibitor opportunities. More information can be found at www.grac.org/micropol.asp, including the program agenda.

Bruce Logan to Receive the NWRI Clarke Prize on July 9, 2009

Environmental biotechnologist Bruce E. Logan, Ph.D., will be the sixteenth recipient of the NWRI Athalie Richardson Irvine Clarke Prize for excellence in water research. Logan was selected because of his innovative efforts to generate clean, renewable forms of energy during the treatment of wastewater.

Logan is Kappe Professor of Environmental Engineering at The Pennsylvania State University. He is also Director of the Penn State Hydrogen Energy (H2E) Center, which is dedicated to developing and promoting the use of hydrogen for sustainable energy production.

The 2009 Clarke Prize will be presented to Logan on Thursday, July 9, 2009, at the Sixteenth Annual Clarke Prize Lecture and Award Ceremony, to be held at the Fairmont Newport Beach in Newport Beach, California. More information about the Clarke Prize can be found at www.nwri-usa.org/ClarkePrize.htm.

Call for Presenters - SWMOA 2010 Annual Symposium

The Southwest Membrane Operator Association (SWMOA) would like to invite presentations for the SWMOA Annual Symposium on February 22-25, 2010, in Carefree, Arizona.

Topics for presentations include:

- Concentrate disposal
- System optimization
- Startup issues/resolutions
- New treatment processes and innovations

These topics will be applicable for all membrane types and services (i.e., reverse osmosis, nanofiltration, ultrafiltration, and microfiltration; drinking water; water reuse; membrane bioreactors; and industrial).

The deadline for abstract submissions is June 14, 2009.

For more information, including a speaker abstract/bio form, please visit www.swmoa.org.

Support the NWRI Ronald B. Linsky Fellowship Endowment Fund

Support NWRI's campaign to raise an endowment for the Ronald B. Linsky Fellowship for Outstanding Water Research, which provides fellowship funding for graduate students conducting innovative, multi-disciplinary research within the water sciences.

The 2-year, \$20,000-a-year Ronald B. Linsky Fellowship is awarded to an outstanding master's or doctoral graduate student at a U.S. university whose innovative research will advance the state-of-the-art in water science, engineering, or policy, as well as portray the vision that exemplified Ron Linsky's distinguished career.

Donate now at www.nwri-usa.org/LinskyFellowship.htm. For questions about the endowment, please contact Jeff Mosher at (714) 378-3278 or jmosher@nwri-usa.org.

Upcoming Events

Workshop on Innovative Energy Management for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants in the Southwest (June 23, 2009)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 is sponsoring a free 1-day workshop on Innovative Energy Management on June 23, 2009, in Irwindale, California. The purpose of the workshop is to share information on saving energy and money at Southern California water and wastewater treatment plants. NWRI is a co-sponsor of this workshop.

For more information, please visit www.epa.gov/region09/waterinfrastructure/training/energy-workshop/.

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