



Newsletter

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Welcome to the first Coblentz Society newsletter of 2023! I hope our readers have had a pleasant start so far. With the beginning of a new year, there is always hope of scientific breakthroughs, recognition of promising talent - especially from the student spectroscopists, more compassion towards our fellow humans and optimism for a great year ahead.

I remind our readers to keep an eye out for deadlines as they get announced - awards, abstracts and such, conference dates, courses. The Society's editorial team will continue to post dates ahead of time via the Newsletter and News Flashes.

~Savitha Panikar, Newsletter Editor

President's message

Submitted by Zac Schultz, Society President

Happy New Year Coblentz Society! It is the start of a new year, and I am looking forward to seeing what our Society can accomplish this year. It is looking like another exciting year ahead of us.

Our Society will be in Philadelphia exhibiting and participating at Pittcon in March. We will be presenting the Williams-Wright Award to Craig Prater. In addition to the award presentation there will be an award symposium honoring Craig, which should be an interesting session. We will also have the booth staffed as part of the exhibit. We look forward to resuming our in-person activity at this spring meeting.

Several successful activities from last year are planned for the coming months. Stay tuned for more information regarding continuation of the student research exchanges. We are supporting a session at the spring ACS meeting on "Bridging the Gap: Using Gas-Phase and Cluster Studies to Model the Dynamics of Complex Systems." We look forward to continuing speed mentoring. Additionally, we look forward to continuing our work with partners old and new to deliver content promoting vibrational spectroscopy. Stay tuned to the newsletter for more updates.

It is a new year and I invite anyone interested in becoming more involved in the Society to reach out to me or one of our board members. I look forward to keeping everyone informed about the Society's activities in the coming months.

Welcome to our new members!

Regular:

Joel Patrow (Endress Hauser)

2023 Student Awards - Nomination Deadline: February 28, 2023

The Coblentz Society is continuing to accept nominations for the 2023 Coblentz Student Awards and William G. Fateley Award, but there is only one month left! Get those nomination packages ready for outstanding students in vibrational spectroscopy and send them out soon. For details, go to the Society website (<https://www.coblentz.org/awards/>).

2023 Craver Award Announcement

It is the Society's pleasure to announce that ***Ishan Barman*** is the 2023 winner of the Clara D. Craver Award for applied analytical vibrational spectroscopy. Ishan Barman is an associate professor of mechanical engineering with a joint appointment in the Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center. His research focuses on bioengineering, optics, and spectroscopy, with an eye to developing integrative photonics solutions to complex problems in biological research and diagnosis. He seeks to advance photonics methods for applications in clinical diagnosis, and on the comprehensive characterization of biomolecules, the investigation of pharmaceutical drugs and their interaction with biological systems, and on rapid measurements in microfluidic platforms.

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