

North Carolina Section of the American Chemical Society
ACS Polymer Discussion Group



**Richard D. Gilbert Award Symposium
for Students in Polymer Science
Thursday, April 9, 2009**

The Polymer Discussion Group of the North Carolina Section of the American Chemical Society announces its annual Richard D. Gilbert Award Symposium. The symposium will give students engaged in polymer research a forum in which to share their results, and to see other current work in the RTP area. Participants will compete for the Richard D. Gilbert Award in Polymer Science.

- WHO?** RTP area graduate students engaged in polymer research
- WHAT?** Student Research Symposium and Award Competition
- WHEN?** At the NC State University Club (4200 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC) on **Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 5pm.**
Papers are due THURSDAY March 19, 2009.*
- WHY?**
1. Honor Professor Richard D. Gilbert, who was a leading teacher and researcher in polymer science in North Carolina
 2. Gain valuable experience in presenting your research results
 3. Improve your professional exposure and be recognized by area students, university faculty, and industrial scientists for your research efforts
- PRIZES** Monetary Prizes for:
First Place, Second Place, Third Place, and Top Poster

*Papers must be submitted by March 19, 2009 at 5 pm to Prof. Wendy Krause (wekrause@ncsu.edu). Papers should consist of no more than two 8-1/2" x 11" pages. The style of the papers should be similar to an ACS extended abstract. Formatting is left to the authors' discretion, but the font size must be 11 point or larger. Papers must include the name, address, daytime phone number and e-mail address of the student and faculty advisor. Submissions should be in PDF format with a file name in the format of krause-w_09.pdf.

Papers will be judged on scientific content, merit, and presentation. Since the emphasis will be on the student's own work, the number of authors should be minimal. However, acknowledgements of colleagues and citations of other key research in the area are encouraged. ***The top three abstracts will be selected, and those three students will present their work as a 15-minute lecture at the Symposium.*** Each will be honored with a certificate and a cash award. The remaining entrants will present their research in a poster session. A certificate and cash award will be made for the most outstanding poster, based on the same criteria as above.

Note: students wishing to present a poster and not be considered for the top three prizes may do so by submitting a brief abstract to Prof. Wendy Krause (wekrause@ncsu.edu) by 5 pm on April 2, 2009.

Please send questions to wekrause@ncsu.edu.

The Polymer Discussion Group thanks Lord Corporation for providing the awards.