

## Awarded ...



B. List



M. Christmann



E. E. Wille



R. Schlögl

### Horst Pracejus Prize for Benjamin List

The Horst Pracejus Prize is awarded biannually by the Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (GDCh; German Chemical Society) for work in the area of enantioselectivity or chirality. The winner of the 2012 prize is Benjamin List (Max Planck Institute for Coal Research, Mülheim an der Ruhr). List was highlighted in this section when he received the Otto Bayer Award and the Novartis Chemistry Lectureship.<sup>[1a,b]</sup> His most recent contributions to *Angewandte Chemie* include a Review on asymmetric counterion-directed catalysis,<sup>[1c]</sup> and a Communication on asymmetric  $S_N2$ -type *O* alkylations.<sup>[1d]</sup>

### Carl Duisberg Memorial Prize for Mathias Christmann

The GDCh awards the Carl Duisberg Memorial Prize to young scientists who have completed their habilitation and have distinguished themselves with original work. This prize was established in 1935 in memory of Carl Duisberg, who was Managing Director of Bayer from 1912–1925. Mathias Christmann (Technische Universität Dortmund) is the winner of the 2013 prize. Christmann's research interests are in organocatalysis, natural products synthesis, and sustainable chemistry, and he was featured here when he won the DECHEMA Young Scientist Award for Natural Product Research.<sup>[2a]</sup> He recently co-authored a Highlight in *Angewandte Chemie* on Lewis base catalysis.<sup>[2b]</sup>

### Carl Duisberg Medal for Eva Elisabeth Wille

The Carl Duisberg Medal is awarded by the board of the GDCh to a chemist who has contributed to advancing chemistry and the objectives of the GDCh. The winner of the 2013 award is Eva Elisabeth Wille (Wiley-VCH, Weinheim). Wille was recognized in particular for her outstanding services to scientific publishing. She was heavily involved in the founding of *Chemistry—A European Journal* and ten further European journals, and was instrumental in ensuring the lasting success of the chemistry journals owned by members of ChemPubSoc Europe, an organization of 16 European chemical societies, and as a representative of the publishers has always considered the interests of the GDCh and ChemPubSoc Europe. Wille studied at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, where she received her PhD in 1983 for work supervised by Gerhard Binsch. After postdoctoral work with Dieter Ziesow at the Technische Universität Berlin, she joined with VCH Verlagsgesellschaft (now Wiley-VCH) in 1985, and is currently Vice President and Executive

Director, Chemistry. Wille is a board member of many professional bodies, including the Deutsche Fachpresse (German Business Media), whose Chair she was from 2006 to 2009.

### Honorary Professorship for Robert Schlögl

Robert Schlögl (Fritz Haber Institute of the Max Planck Society, Berlin, and Max Planck Institute for Chemical Energy Conversion, Mülheim an der Ruhr) has been made Honorary Professor at the University of Duisburg-Essen. Schlögl received his PhD in 1982 from the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, and carried out postdoctoral work with Sir John Meurig Thomas at the University of Cambridge (1982–1983) and with Hans-Joachim Güntherodt at the University of Basel (1984–1985). After working as a Group Leader at Hoffmann La Roche, Basel, he joined the Fritz Haber Institute in Berlin, where he worked in association with Gerhard Ertl and completed his habilitation in 1989. He was then made Professor of Inorganic Chemistry at the University of Frankfurt, and, in 1994, was appointed Director at the Fritz Haber Institute. In 2011, he was made Founding Director of the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Energy Conversion. Schlögl's research is focused on the investigation of heterogeneous catalysis. His most recent Communication in *Angewandte Chemie* is on the mechanism of cross-coupling reactions catalyzed by palladium nanoparticles,<sup>[3a]</sup> and he is co-author of an Essay on exhaust gases that is published in this issue.<sup>[3b]</sup>

### Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Prize for Frank Glorius

This award, which is worth 2.5 million Euros, is presented to outstanding researchers by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) and allows researchers to be released from administrative duties, broaden their research opportunities, and employ talented junior co-workers. Among the 2013 prize winners, Frank Glorius (University of Münster) was honored for his work in the field of catalysis. Glorius was featured in this section when he won the OMCOS and Springer Heterocyclic Chemistry Awards,<sup>[4a,b]</sup> and he has recently reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on rhodium(III)-catalyzed dehydrogenative cross-coupling reactions.<sup>[4c]</sup>

### Karl Ziegler Guest Professorship for Matthias Beller

Matthias Beller (Leibniz Institute for Catalysis at the University of Rostock) was appointed Karl Ziegler Guest Professor at the Max Planck Institute

for Coal Research in 2012, in recognition of his work in the field of catalysis. This honor was founded in 1978 by Karl Ziegler's family in order to establish a series of guest lectures in his memory. Beller is Co-chairman of the Editorial Board of *ChemSusChem* and is on the Editorial Board of *Angewandte Chemie* and the International Advisory Board of *ChemCatChem*. Beller, who was recently made Scientific Vice-President of the Leibniz Association, appeared in this section when he won the European Sustainable Energy Award and the Gay-Lussac Humboldt Prize.<sup>[5a,b]</sup> He has recently reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on copper-based photosensitizers,<sup>[5c]</sup> and on a ruthenium-catalyzed synthesis of pyrroles.<sup>[5d]</sup> His Review on alternative metals for homogeneous catalyzed hydroformylation reactions appears in this issue.<sup>[5e]</sup>

### Bayer Early Excellence in Science Award for Nuno Maulide

The Bayer Early Excellence in Science Award is given by the Bayer Science & Education Foundation to recognize talented young researchers in the early stages of their careers. Among the 2012 awardees, Nuno Maulide (Max Planck Institute for Coal Research) was honored with the award for chemistry, and was recognized for his work in the development of new routes for the synthesis of novel small-ring molecules. Maulide studied at the Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, the École Polytechnique, Paris, and the Université catholique de Louvain, and received his PhD from the latter institution in 2007 for work supervised by István E. Markó. From 2007–2008, he was a postdoctoral researcher with Barry M. Trost at Stanford University, and he joined the Max Planck Institute for Coal Research as group leader in 2009. Maulide's research interests are in catalytic methods for the asymmetric synthesis of small rings, sulfur chemistry, domino electrophilic rearrangements, and redox-neutral organic transformations. He has reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on diastereodiver-

gent de-epimerization,<sup>[6a]</sup> and the gold-catalyzed synthesis of furans and furanones.<sup>[6b]</sup> He was a recipient of the 2011 ADUC prize.

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