

## Heinz Maier-Leibnitz Prize

The Heinz Maier-Leibnitz Prize is presented annually by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG; German Research Foundation) to recognize the achievements of young researchers. Among the ten prize winners in 2014, **Marc D. Walter** (Technische Universität Braunschweig) was honored for his work in inorganic chemistry. Walter studied at the Technische Universität Kaiserslautern, and carried out his PhD (awarded in 2005) jointly with Helmut Sitzmann in Kaiserslautern and with Richard A. Andersen at the University of California, Berkeley. From 2006–2010, he was a postdoctoral research fellow with Maurice S. Brookhart at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and he has been a junior research group leader (supported by the Emmy Noether Program) at the Technische Universität Braunschweig since 2010. Walter's research interests are focused on the activation and functionalization of small molecules using highly reactive organometallic complexes. He has reported in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on thorium metallocenes,<sup>[1a]</sup> and in the *European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry* on iron(II) sandwich complexes.<sup>[1b]</sup>

## Merck Banyu Lectureship Award for Daisuke Uraguchi

The Merck Banyu Lectureship Award is sponsored and administered by Merck Research Laboratories (USA) and Banyu Life Science Foundation International (Japan), and is awarded annually to Japanese chemists under the age of 40. The winner of the 2013 award is Daisuke Uraguchi (Nagoya University). Uraguchi studied at Hokkaido University, where he worked with Keiji Maruoka for his PhD (awarded in 2002). He carried out postdoctoral research with P. Andrew Evans at Indiana University, Bloomington (2002–2003) and with Masahiro Terada at Tohoku University (2003–2004), and subsequently worked at the Sagami Chemical Research Center (2004–2006). He joined Nagoya University in 2006 and is currently associate professor in the group of Takashi Ooi. He has reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on catalytic direct aldol addition reactions,<sup>[2a]</sup> and in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on stereoselective aza Henry reactions.<sup>[2b]</sup>

## AkzoNobel UK Science Award for John W. Goodby

John W. Goodby (University of York) has been awarded the 2014 AkzoNobel UK Science Award for his work in the area of self-healing and self-organizing materials, in particular liquid-crystalline materials. Goodby was featured here when he was elected to the Royal Society.<sup>[3a]</sup> He has reported in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on the self-organizing properties of glucopyranoside hydroxyalkyl ethers.<sup>[3b]</sup>

## And also in the News

**Peter Schreiner** (University of Giessen) is the recipient of the Wissenschaftspreis der Deutschen Technion-Gesellschaft (Science Prize of the German Technion Society), which is awarded biannually for outstanding services in scientific collaboration between the Technion–Israel Institute of Technology and German scientific institutions. Schreiner, who was recently featured here when he was elected to the Leopoldina (German National Academy of Sciences),<sup>[4a]</sup> has reported in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on polytwistane.<sup>[4b]</sup>

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In this section, we report on various awards for chemists who are closely connected with *Angewandte Chemie* and its sister journals as authors, referees, or board members.

## Awarded ...



M. D. Walter



D. Uraguchi



J. W. Goodby



P. Schreiner