

Manuel M. Baizer Award for Jun-ichi Yoshida

The Manuel M. Baizer Award is presented by the Organic and Biological Electrochemistry Division of The Electrochemical Society and is sponsored by The Electrosynthesis Company and Monsanto. The winner of the 2014 award is Jun-ichi Yoshida, who was recognized for his work on the electrochemistry of organic compounds. Yoshida studied at Kyoto University, where he worked with Makoto Kumada for his PhD (awarded in 1981). He was also assistant professor at the Kyoto Institute of Technology (1979–1985) and carried out postdoctoral research with Barry M. Trost at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (1982–1983). In 1985, he joined the faculty at Osaka City University, and in 1994, he was made professor at Kyoto University. Yoshida's research interests include integrated organic synthesis based on reactive intermediates, organic electron-transfer reactions, organometallic reactions, and flow microreactors. He has reported in *Energy Technology* on quinones as cathode materials,^[1a] and in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on gas/liquid reactions in flow microreactors.^[1b] Yoshida is on the Editorial Board of *The Chemical Record* and the International Advisory Board of the *Asian Journal of Organic Chemistry*.

Luigi Tartufari International Award in Chemistry for Luisa de Cola and Shie-Ming Peng

Luisa de Cola and Shie-Ming Peng have been awarded the Luigi Tartufari International Prize in Chemistry by the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei (Italian National Academy of Science). These prizes are presented to Italian or foreign scholars in the area of astronomy, chemistry, earth sciences, and physics.

Shie-Ming Peng (National Taiwan University) studied at the National Taiwan University, and worked with Virgil L. Goedken at the University of Chicago for his PhD (awarded in 1975). After postdoctoral work with James A. Ibers at Northwestern University, he joined the faculty at National Taiwan University, where he is currently professor. Peng's research interests are in crystallography and inorganic chemistry, including the synthesis of molecular metal wires. He has reported in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on heteropentamuclear extended metal-atom chains,^[2a] and in *Angewandte Chemie* on the reduction of hydroxyphenyl-substituted boranes.^[2b] Peng is on the

International Advisory Board of the *European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry*.

Luisa de Cola (Université de Strasbourg) was featured here when she was named one of the 2011 IUPAC Distinguished Women in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering.^[3a] She moved to the Université de Strasbourg in 2012, and is also an Adjunct Scientist at the Karlsruhe Institute for Technology. De Cola's research interests are in luminescent and electroluminescent materials, and nanomaterials for diagnostics and therapy, including new porous and thin-film materials. She has reported in *ChemPlusChem* on energy transfer at zeolite L boundaries,^[3b] and in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on eumalanin/zeolite hybrid materials.^[3c] De Cola is on the Editorial Advisory Board of *ChemPhysChem* and the International Advisory Board of *ChemPlusChem*. She was also recently made a Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur.

And also in the News

Jacqueline K. Barton (California Institute of Technology) has been announced as the recipient of the 2015 Priestley Medal, which is the highest honor of the American Chemical Society. Barton was featured here when she won the National Medal of Science.^[4]

Peter J. Stang (University of Utah) has been awarded an honorary doctorate by the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology. Stang, who received the 2013 Priestley Medal, was also featured here when he won the National Medal of Science.^[4]

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Awarded ...



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S.-M. Peng



J. K. Barton



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