

ADUC Prizes

The Arbeitsgemeinschaft Deutscher Universitätsprofessoren und -professorinnen für Chemie (ADUC) awards annual prizes to up to three scientists who are carrying out their habilitation and have distinguished themselves through original and significant work.

Annette Andrieu-Brunsen (Technische Universität (TU) Darmstadt) studied at the University of Marburg and carried out her PhD (completed in 2010) with Wolfgang Knoll at the Max Planck Institute for Polymer Research, Mainz. From 2010–2011, she carried out postdoctoral work with Galo Soler-Illia and Omar Azzaroni at the Comisión Nacional de Energía Atómica, Buenos Aires, and in 2011, she started her independent career at the TU Darmstadt. Andrieu-Brunsen and her group are interested in the polymer functionalization of spatially confined pores for the manipulation of transport and pore accessibility. Her report on polymer-modified mesoporous thin films was featured on the cover of *Advanced Functional Materials*.^[1]

Inke Siewert (University of Göttingen) was very recently featured here when she won the Ernst Haage Prize.^[2a] Siewert's research interests involve the activation of small molecules by transition-metal complexes, and she has recently reported in the *Zeitschrift für anorganische und allgemeine Chemie* on the coordination behavior of phenol-based ligands,^[2b] and in *Angewandte Chemie* on electrocatalytic dihydrogen production with a cobalt catalyst.^[2c]

Thomas Magauer (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München; LMU) studied at the University of Vienna, where he completed his PhD (supervised by Johann Mulzer) in 2009. After postdoctoral work with Andrew G. Myers at Harvard University (2010–2012), he was made group leader at the LMU in 2012. Magauer's research program includes topics such as natural product chemistry, C–X/C–H activation, halogenated arenes and heteroarenes, and gold catalysis. He has reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on the synthesis of antifeedant sesterpenoids,^[3a] and on the ring opening of bicyclo[3.1.0]hexan-2-ones.^[3b]

Carl Duisberg Memorial Prize for Felix R. Fischer

The Carl Duisberg Memorial Prize is presented by the Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (GDCh; German Chemical Society) to early-career researchers under the age of 40 who are working at a German institution (or to German researchers working abroad) and who do not hold a full professorship. The winner of the 2016 prize is Felix Fischer (University of California, Berkeley).

Fischer studied at the University of Heidelberg, and carried out his PhD (completed in 2008) with François Diederich at the ETH Zürich. From 2008–2011, he was a postdoctoral fellow with Colin Nuckolls at Columbia University, New York, and his report on ring-opening alkyne metathesis polymerization was featured on a cover of *Angewandte Chemie*.^[4a] He started his independent career at the University of California, Berkeley, in 2011, and is also a faculty scientist at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Fischer's research interests include organic and inorganic materials, nanographene technology, polymers, catalyst design, and molecular electronics. He has recently reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on the surface-assisted synthesis of peripentacene.^[4b]

Honorary Membership of the GDCh for Dieter Jahn

Dieter Jahn was been appointed an Honorary Member of the GDCh. Honorary Membership is the highest honor that the society bestows, and is granted to chemists for their outstanding services in the promotion of chemistry and services to the GDCh. Jahn was elected to the Board of the GDCh in 2004, and was President from 2006–2007. He studied at the University of Stuttgart, where he worked with Franz Effenberger for his doctorate, which he completed in 1978. He joined BASF AG (now BASF SE) in 1979, where he held a number of influential positions, including Director of Science Relations and Innovation Management from 2000–2012. Jahn currently chairs the Council of the University of Konstanz.

GDCh Prize for Authors and Journalists

The GDCh Prize for Authors and Journalists is given biennially for successfully making chemistry more accessible in an informative and understandable way to a broad audience. The winner of the 2016 prize is the team responsible for the Wikipedia entry "Chemie".

Windaus Medal and Herbert C. Brown Award for Alois Fürstner

Alois Fürstner (Max Planck Institute for Coal Research, Mülheim) has been honored with the 2016 Herbert C. Brown Award for Creative Research in Synthetic Methods from the American Chemical Society. He also received the 2015 Windaus Medal, which is presented by Institute for Organic and Biomolecular Chemistry at the University of Göttingen for work in the field of natural product chemistry. Fürstner, who is Chairman of the Editorial Board of *Angewandte Chemie*, has previously been introduced in this section.^[5a] He

Awarded ...



A. Andrieu-Brunsen



I. Siewert



T. Magauer



F. R. Fischer



D. Jahn



A. Fürstner

has recently reported in *Angewandte Chemie* on the synthesis of enigmazole A,^[5b] and in *Chemistry—A European Journal* on the synthesis of pyrones and pyridine derivatives.^[5c] Fürstner is also on the advisory boards of *ChemCatChem* and *Advanced Synthesis & Catalysis*.

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Prize for Benjamin List

Benjamin List (Max Planck Institute for Coal Research) is one of the ten recipients of the 2016 Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Prizes, which are awarded by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation). Each award comprises €2.5 million, and allows the winners to broaden their research opportunities and employ talented early-career researchers, and provides relief from administrative tasks. List was featured here when he won the Mukaiyama Award.^[6a] His most recent contribution to *Angewandte Chemie* is a report on disulfonimide-catalyzed asymmetric reduction reactions.^[6b] List is on the Academic Advisory Board of *Advanced Synthesis & Catalysis*.



B. List

Rottendorf Prize for Markus Pietsch

Markus Pietsch (University of Cologne) has been awarded the 2015 Rottendorf Prize for Pharmacology, which is supported by the Rottendorf Foundation and is worth €5000. Pietsch studied at the University of Leipzig and worked with Michael Gütschow at the University of Bonn for his PhD (awarded in 2006). After postdoctoral work with Michael Gütschow (2006–2007) and Andrew D. Abell at the University of Adelaide (2007–2010), he was made group leader at the University of Cologne in 2010. Pietsch's research is focused on disease-related enzymes and protein–protein interactions. His report on selective inhibitors of glutathione transferase P1 was featured on a cover of *ChemMedChem*,^[7a] and he has also reported in the *European Journal of Organic Chemistry* on peroxidic glutathione transferase inhibitors.^[7b]



M. Pietsch



M. T. Reetz

Seymour Schulich Lectureship Award for Manfred T. Reetz

Manfred T. Reetz (Max Planck Institute for Coal Research and University of Marburg) was the recipient of the Seymour Schulich Lectureship Award 2015, and gave a lecture at the Technion–Israel Institute of Technology in November 2015. He also gave the inaugural Barluenga Lectureship at the University of Oviedo in 2014. Reetz, who was on the Editorial Board of *Angewandte Chemie* from 2002–2010, was featured here when he was awarded the Otto Hahn Prize and the Tetrahedron Prize.^[8a] He has recently reported in *Angewandte*



M. Schnell

Chemie on the bioorthogonal deprotection of caged compounds.^[8b]

Akademiepreis für Chemie for Melanie Schnell

Melanie Schnell (Max Planck Institute for the Structure and Dynamics of Matter, Hamburg) has been honored with the Akademiepreis für Chemie (Academy Prize for Chemistry) by the Akademie der Wissenschaften zur Göttingen (Göttingen Academy of Sciences and Humanities). Schnell was featured here when she won the Helene Lange Prize.^[9]

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