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GOLDSCHMIDT 2010

The University of Tennessee and Oak Ridge National Laboratory graciously hosted the 20th V.M. Goldschmidt Conference of the Geochemical Society and the European Association of Geochemistry at the Knoxville Convention Center in Knoxville, Tennessee, USA, from June 13 to 18, 2010. The organizing committee (Ted Labotka, Dave Cole, and Hap McSween) invited over 2100 geochemists from more than 40 countries to participate in the "Earth, Energy and Environment" session themes.

The Goldschmidt Conference has become THE meeting for geochemistry, and the Knoxville Convention Center proved to be an extremely effective venue, with a spacious exhibit/poster hall and easily accessible rooms for the nearly 2500 abstracts organized into 175 sessions within 22 themes—all under one roof. The University of Tennessee Conferences provided excellent service, food, and drink throughout the week.

Keynote presentations by Susan Brantley, Jerome Chappellaz, Don DePaolo, Eric Oelkers, and John Parise, as well as a panel discussion on energy and the environment, were featured on streaming video hosted by the University of Tennessee, which is still accessible on the Goldschmidt 2010 website (www.goldschmidt2010.org).

More than US\$65,000 were provided to nearly 70 students through the Goldschmidt Travel Grant program and the generosity of our sponsors: the Geochemical Society, the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Energy, the European Association of Geochemistry, and the Geochemical Society of Japan.

And last, but certainly not least, many people helped to put together this conference, and the following list is a small token of our appreciation for their efforts.

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Geochemical Society volunteers are organizing 13 geochemical sessions for the 2010 GSA Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado, USA, to be held from 31 October to 3 November (http://geosociety.org/meetings/2010/). GS will have an exhibit booth near MSA, MAC, and AGU (Booth 921) and on Tuesday evening will host a Joint Reception with MSA and GSA's new MGVP Division. The F. Earl Ingerson Lecture will also be delivered during the meeting.

FINAL CALL FOR 2011 AWARD NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the Geochemical Society's 2011 awards are being accepted through **15 October 2010** (this is earlier than in previous years). For information on nomination requirements, visit the Geochemical Society website at **www.geochemsoc.org/awards**.

Please take the time to highlight the accomplishments of your valued friends and colleagues by nominating them. With your help, we can ensure that the award committees have a diverse and deserving pool of candidates.



The **V.M. Goldschmidt Medal** is awarded for major achievements in geochemistry or cosmochemistry, consisting of either a single outstanding contribution or a series of publications that have had great influence in the field.



The **F.W. Clarke Medal** is awarded to an early-career scientist for a single outstanding contribution to geochemistry or cosmochemistry, published as either a single paper or a series of papers on a single topic.

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The **C.C. Patterson Medal** is awarded for an innovative breakthrough of fundamental significance in environmental geochemistry.



The **Alfred Treibs Medal** is awarded by the Organic Geochemistry Division for major achievements, over a period of years, in organic geochemistry.

The **GS/EAG Geochemical Fellows Award** is bestowed upon outstanding scientists who have, over some years, made a major contribution to the field of geochemistry.

JOHN VOLKMAN NAMED 2010 ALFRED TREIBS MEDALIST



John Volkman

The Organic Geochemistry Division of the Geochemical Society has awarded the 2010 Alfred Treibs Medal to John Volkman of CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research in Hobart, Tasmania. The award committee reports, "John's work is the basis for much of modern biomarker research. He long ago distinguished himself as the world's authority on the lipid chemistry of microalgae. The theme for much of his work has been the chemistry of extant microalgae and other organisms and the

results have led to ever-expanding research on the implications for natural products in petroleum." The award ceremony will be held at the 2011 International Meeting on Organic Geochemistry (IMOG) in Interlaken, Switzerland.

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The Geochemical Society's Geochemical Career Center is a web-based service open to the entire geochemical community, offering an easy-to-use and highly targeted resource for online employment connections.

For job seekers, the Geochemical Career Center is a free service that provides access to employers and geochemistry jobs. In addition to posting resumes, job seekers can browse and view available jobs based on their criteria and save those jobs for later review if they choose. Job seekers can also create a search agent to provide e-mail notifications of jobs that match their criteria.

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If you are looking for a job or have a job you want to post, come to the Geochemical Career Center at www.geochemsoc.org and click on "Career Center."

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What we do at GS day after day to deliver on our mission to impact the direction of geochemistry at a global level is only possible through the Herculean efforts of our volunteers. Thank you!

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