

## MRS-Korea to Host IUMRS-ICA-2006 in September

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The International Union of Materials Research Societies International Conference in Asia 2006 (IUMRS-ICA-2006) sponsored by the MRS regional societies in Asia—Chinese-MRS, MRS-India, MRS-Japan, MRS-Korea, MRS-Singapore, and MRS-Taiwan—will be held in Jeju, Korea, September 10–14, 2006, and organized by the Materials Research Society of Korea (MRS-K). This is a continuation in the series of meetings among Asian IUMRS adhering bodies; a previous meeting was held in Hsinchu, Taiwan, in 2004. Since the initial IUMRS-ICA meeting, this conference has become a key place to exchange new ideas in science and technology among Asian researchers and scientists and a forum for presenting new results focused on advanced materials. Individuals actively engaged in materials research and developments are encouraged to attend this meeting. Jeju is an island located about 600 km from Seoul and the most famous resort site in Korea, known for its exotic scenery and subtropical climate.

The meeting will include 17 symposia: Silicon Microelectronics: Processing to Packaging; Compound Semiconductor and Related Materials; Electronic Mate-

rials and Processing; Organic and Inorganic Display Materials; Self-Assembling Materials and Processes: From Fundamental Phenomena to Applications; Advanced Ceramic Materials; Magnetic Materials and Applications; Photonics and Optical Materials; Composites and Hybrid Materials; Nanoparticle and Nanostructured Materials; Mechanical Behaviors of Materials; Structural Materials; Energy Conversion and Storage Materials; Hard Coatings, Corrosion, and Wear; Modeling and Characterizations of Materials; Catalysis and Porous Materials; and Sol-Gel Materials.

Plenary speakers are S. Iijima (Meijo University, Japan), Min Young Lee (Samsung, Korea), Baicheng Liu (Tsinghua University, China), R.J. Nemanich (North Carolina State University, USA), Yoshio Nishi (Stanford University, USA), and Lian Zhou (NW Institute for Nonferrous Metal Research, China). Other outstanding researchers will present invited talks.

**The abstract deadline is March 11, 2006.**

Abstracts should be sent by e-mail to ica2006@hanyang.ac.kr. Abstracts should not exceed 200 words (1 page). The presenting author should be indicated by

underlining his or her name and contact information of the presenting author should be provided (name, affiliation, address, e-mail address, phone number, and fax number). Those who wish to publish papers from the conference in *Solid State Phenomena* are asked to submit manuscripts electronically before April 29, 2006, and to preregister by July 31, 2006. Manuscripts should not exceed four pages in length and should follow the format of *Solid State Phenomena*. Papers will be published after peer review.

The Conference Committee members are Jong-Wan Park (Hanyang University), Bo Young Hur (Gyeongsang National University), Byung Tae Ahn (KAIST), and Hyeongtag Jeon (Hanyang University). More information can be obtained from www.mrs-k.or.kr/ica2006/ or from secretariat Hyeongtag Jeon, Division of Materials Science and Engineering, Hanyang University, Seongdong-gu, Seoul, 133-791, Korea; tel. 82-2-2220-0387, fax 82-2-2292-3523, and e-mail ica2006@hanyang.ac.kr.



## XV International Materials Research Congress to Be Held in Cancun in August

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The Academia Mexicana de Ciencia de Materiales and the Association of Corrosion Engineers NACE International Section Mexico announce the XV International Materials Research Congress and the V National Association of Corrosion Engineers NACE International Section Mexico. The Congress will be held in Cancun, Mexico, August 20–24, 2006. Pedro Hugo Hernández Tejeda (Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla) is the general chair and president of MRS-Mexico.

These meetings have been organized annually and provide an interactive forum for discussing advances in synthesis, characterization, properties, processing, applications, basic research trends, corrosion prevention, and other issues related to materials science. The 22 symposium top-

ics include Nanostructured Materials and Nanotechnology; Solar-Hydrogen Fuel Cells-10; Theory and Computer Simulation of Materials; Photovoltaics, Solar Energy Materials, and Thin Films; Magnetic Materials; Archeological and Arts Issues in Materials Science; Materials Characterization; Synchrotron Radiation and Neutron Sources in Materials Research; Ferroelectricity and Piezoelectricity; Advanced Structural Materials; New Trends in Polymer Chemistry and Characterization; Surface Engineering and Thin Films; Alloys, Composites, and Interphases; Novel Building Materials and Technologies; Fracture Mechanics; Biomaterials; Ecomaterials; Hybrid Materials; NACE Corrosion and Metallurgy; Nanoscience at the Intersection of Physics and Biology; Optical Characterization of Materials; and

Nuclear Technique for Materials Characterization.

Plenary speakers include Alex Ignatiev (University of Houston), Allen J. Bard (University of Texas at Austin) and Dharendra Yog Goswami (University of Florida). Tutorials will be held on August 20, and there will be an exhibition of instrumental products and services in the field of materials science and related topics.

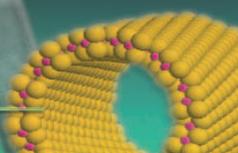
**The abstract deadline is May 15, 2006.**

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