
LIFELINES

Aline Dettmer: Chemical Engineer (2006) and M Sc. Engineer (Brazil, 2008). Worked with quality control, research and development of new products at a tannery (2005-2006). Presently a PhD. student at Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.

Keila Guerra Pacheco Nunes: Chemical engineering student at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. Scientific Initiation Scholar (2008) and has worked with leather waste treatment.

Mariliz Gutterres, see *JALCA* **105**, 195, 2007

Nilson Romeu Marcilio, see *JALCA* **102**, 175, 2007

S. N. Jaisankar, see *JALCA* **97**, 14, 2002

Sanjeev Gupta, see *JALCA* **103**, 36, 2008

Y. Lakshminarayana, see *JALCA* **97**, 14, 2002

J. Kanakaraj, see *JALCA* **103**, 36, 2008

Asit Baran Mandal has been the Director of Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai, India, since July 2006. He received his B.Sc. (Honors) in Chemistry from University of Burdwan and Master's and Doctoral degrees in Chemistry with Physical Chemistry as specialization from Jadavpur University, Kolkata. He carried out Post Doctoral Research at the Chemistry department of University of Saskatchewan, Canada. He has represented Indian Science Community in a host of countries including Canada, USA, UK, Germany, Singapore, Italy, Ethiopia, China and Japan. He has made several important contributions to the understanding of micellar systems. He has modified the Huggins-Thomas equation by including a parameter based on both experimental and theoretical investigations leading to Huggins-Thomas-Mandal equation. He has developed an innovative design rationale for synthesis of mono-disperse polymers by assembling the macromonomers into a micellar system and initiating polymerization within the micellar cage. He is a co-author of over 100 publications in refereed journals, which have attracted a large number of citations as well. He is a member of several professional, scientific and academic bodies in India and abroad. He is an Honorary Professor of Leather Technology at the Anna University, Chennai. He is an elected fellow of the Indian Academy of Sciences (1995), Bangalore and Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry

(1996), UK. He is a recipient of several awards including the Rev. Fr. L. M. Yeddanapally Memorial Award (1993) by Indian Chemical Society, Tamil Nadu Scientists Award (1994), Prof. B. C. Deb Memorial Award (1996) by Indian Science Congress Association, Bhartiya Shiksha Ratan Award (2007), Prof. B. N. Ghosh Memorial Lecture Award (2007), Prof. M. A. Govinda Rau Memorial Award Lecturer (2009), Naser Technology Excellence Award (2009), and many technology awards include CSIR First Award for S&T Innovation for Rural Development (2006), CSIR Technology Prize for Business Development and Technology Marketing (2006), CSIR Technology Award for Physical Sciences including Engineering (2007) for developing Chemo Autotrophic Activated Carbon Oxidation. He is one of the Editorial Board Members of International Journal of Surface Science & Technology and Proceedings of the Indian Academy of Sciences (Chemical Sciences). He has also delivered many prestigious lectures in India and abroad and chaired many sessions.

V. Vasek, see *JALCA* **100**, 119, 2005.

J. Dolinay, information not available.

P. Dostalek, information not available.

K. Kolomaznik, see *JALCA* **91**, 18, 1996.

D. Janacova, see *JALCA* **95**, 55, 2000.

L. Vasek, information not available.

Ralph Blach received his diploma degree in Chemistry and his PhD from the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany. He joined Clariant in 1995. After various positions within R&D and production of leather finishing chemicals he is currently responsible for R&D of Leather Chemicals within the Clariant Business Unit Leather Services in Leinfelden, Germany.

Jürgen Münter earned his diploma degree with distinction in Chemistry from the University of Stuttgart, Germany, in 1996. After his PhD. in the department of Organic Chemistry of the University of Stuttgart he joined Clariant in 2001. He has nine years of experience in R&D for leather finishing chemicals, especially in the polyurethane synthesis, and is currently group leader of the polyurethane development and deputy head of the application development in Leinfelden, Germany.



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SUBJECT: Appointment of Dr. Cheng-Kung Liu as the Research Leader, Biobased and Other Animal Co-Products Research Unit at the Eastern Regional Research Center in Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania

TO: All NAA Employees
Administrator's Council

FROM: Dariusz Swietlik, Area Director

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Cheng-Kung Liu as the Research Leader for the Biobased and Other Animal Co-Products Research Unit (BOACRU) at the Eastern Regional Research Center (ERRC) in Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania, effective August 1, 2010.

Dr. Liu received his B. Engr. (1977) and his M. Engr. (1979) degrees in Textile Engineering from Feng Chia University (Taiwan), and his Ph.D. degree in Fiber and Polymer Science (1985) from the North Carolina State University. Before joining the USDA-ARS in 1996, he worked for the U.S. Surgical Corporation as an R&D Manager, leading a research team developing bio-absorbable polymers, surgical sutures and medical textiles. He was awarded 33 U.S. patents and 58 foreign patents. Since assuming the position of a Materials Research Engineer at ERRC, his research efforts have been focusing on the optimization of mechanical operations in leather-making processes. Dr. Liu has authored or co-authored more than 90 scientific publications.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Liu to this key leadership position.



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When

Saturday 25 September 2010

What Time

09.30 Registration
10.00 Conference commences, including,

Atkin Memorial Lecture: Tanning the Kyoto way by Johannes Borg Garveri

The Value of Hides, Howard Johnson, Director, Adelaide SpA (UK) Ltd

Nanostructure—impact of processing within a fibril by Clark Maxwell, British School of Leather Technology

Acid decay in Leather by Karen Vidler

Communicating Colour by Tracy Cochrane, Society of Dyers & Colourists

Leather Industry Information—its vulnerabilities by Karl Flowers

Leather Committees and Standards by John Hubbard, SATRA

19.30 Cocktail reception
20.00 Dinner Dance

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PRESS RELEASE

July 16, 2010

Auburn Hills, Michigan, USA

We regret to inform you of the recent passing of Anders Segerdahl. Andy joined Albert Trostel & Sons in 1948, began his management of Eagle Ottawa in 1969, and most recently served as the Chairman of the Board for the Everett Smith Group, Eagle Ottawa's parent company. Andy was known throughout our industry as the pragmatic visionary that led Eagle Ottawa to the forefront of the automotive leather market. His leadership and counsel have played an important role in our success for many years. Andy will be missed.

The LIA family has suffered a significant loss with the passing of Anders Segerdahl. Andy served as Chairman of LIA on

two separate occasions during difficult times for the industry. His upbeat attitude and unfailing optimism were contagious and reflected well on the industry. We will remember with great fondness his leadership, his love for the US tanning industry, and his gracious good humor.

John Wittenborn

Leather Industries of America, Inc.

[Editor Note: I had the privilege of working for Anders Segerdahl during the 1990's. I am especially gratified to have been a member of the technology team that turned his "game-changing" environmental leadership visions into commercial realities.]