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# Graduate Research Polymer Conference ●●●

at  
**Virginia Polytechnic  
Institute and State  
University**  
Blacksburg, Virginia

# June 23 - 26, 1996

*A Conference Cosponsored by:*  
**The American Chemical Society**  
**Division of Polymer Chemistry, Inc.**



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AND STATE UNIVERSITY

## The Graduate Research Polymer Conference ●●●

It is a long-held perception that graduate students get lost in the crowd at the national American Chemical Society (ACS) meetings and have little opportunity to interact with graduate students, faculty, and industrial scientists from other academic institutions and industry.

In an earnest attempt to resolve this problem, the Division of Polymer Chemistry of the ACS has established a biennial national meeting series focused for polymer science and engineering graduate students.

Plan now to attend this unique gathering of polymer graduate students! ➤

## Plenary Lectures ●●●

Key industrial scientists will deliver plenary lectures on the following topics:

- **Dr. Lloyd Robeson**, Air Products, Allentown, PA, *Reactive Extrusions—Compatibilization of Polymer Blends*
- **Dr. Charles Carlson**, E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Co., Newark, DE, *Composite Design for the 21st Century*
- **Dr. David Lewis**, IBM, Yorktown Heights, NY, *Microwave Processing of Polymers for Electronics*
- **Dr. Ted Germroth**, Eastman Chemical Co., Kingsport, TN, *Poly (ethylene naphthalene) (PEN)—A New Commercial Polymer*
- **Dr. Tom Smith**, Xerox Corporation, Webster, NY, *Thermal Inkjet Printing*
- **Dr. Maria Spinu**, E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Co., Wilmington, DE, *Biodegradable Polymers—An Overview* ➤

## Call For Papers ●●●

Join with other graduate students and renowned experts in polymer science for an interchange of ideas and an opportunity to present your research. You have until March 1, 1996, to submit your presentation abstract using the standard ACS short abstract form. You will be notified by April 15, 1996, regarding the acceptance of your presentation or a request for a poster presentation.

Submit your form to:

**James E. McGrath**

**NSF Science and Technology Center:  
High Performance Polymeric  
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State University**

**2111 Hahn Hall, West Campus Drive  
Blacksburg, VA 24061-0344**

**PHONE (540)231-5976 FAX (540)231-8517 ➤**

## Location ●●●

The conference will be held on the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) in Blacksburg, Virginia, which is about 40 miles southwest of Roanoke. ➤

## Preliminary Schedule ●●●

### Sunday, June 23

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Registration and Reception, Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center

### Monday, June 24; Tuesday, June 25; and Wednesday, June 26

(Wednesday's session is only in the morning.)

8:30 - 11:50 a.m. Plenary lecture followed by student presentations

1:30 - 4:50 p.m. Plenary lecture followed by student presentations

### Monday evening

5:50 - 7:30 p.m. Poster session and reception, place to be announced.

### Tuesday evening

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Picnic barbecue,  
An evening of good food, drink and conversation, plus an opportunity to meet everyone in an informal setting.

## Accommodations ●●●

You may arrange for housing in one of the following ways:

**1** You may stay in an air conditioned University residence hall Sunday through Tuesday for a total cost (includes meals) per person as follows:

Single room \$94

Double room \$84 (double occupancy only)

Single suite \$109

Double suite \$95 (double occupancy only)

Family members may stay for the same per person rate. There is no charge for infants, if you provide the bedding. You may list a preferred roommate on the registration form; otherwise, roommates will be assigned. If you request a suite, but one is not available, you will be assigned a room. The residence hall lodging package includes breakfast and lunch on Monday and Tuesday, and breakfast only on Wednesday. To register for the residence hall lodging package, complete and **return the attached registration form with payment** by May 23, 1996. Space may not be available after this deadline, so please register early.

**2** A block of rooms has been reserved at the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center, Otey Street, Blacksburg, VA 24061-0104, phone (540)231-8000. Again, you are encouraged to make your reservation early, since a limited number of rooms are available. The rates for the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center are \$61 + tax for a single and \$69 + tax for a double room per night. Please confirm room rate when making reservations. ➤

## Fee And Registration ●●●

The \$50 fee for faculty and graduate students, and the \$90 fee for industry participants, covers the conference, materials, reception, picnic, and poster session. It may be paid by check, money order, VISA, or MasterCard. To register, complete the attached form and **return with payment** to Virginia Tech by May 23, 1996. Registrations will be acknowledged.

**Refunds** will be made for cancellations received four (4) working days prior to the conference. After that, you or your organization will be held responsible for the fee. If you are registered, but cannot attend, you may send a substitute.

**Vehicles** parked on campus must exhibit valid parking permits. A parking permit will be sent to you with your registration confirmation. ➤

## University Policies ●●●

**Cancellation:** The University may cancel or postpone any course or activity because of insufficient enrollment or other unforeseen circumstances. If a program is canceled or postponed, the University will refund registration fees but cannot be held responsible for other costs, charges, or expenses, including cancellation/change charges assessed by airlines or travel agencies. ➤

# Registration Form ●●●

**2nd National Graduate Research Polymer Conference, June 23 - 26, 1996**

Print in ink, or type, and return to Virginia Tech by May 23, 1996. *(This form may be copied for additional registrations.)*

Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_ Major Field of Research \_\_\_\_\_

School or Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Federal ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address (Number and Street or Box No.) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Residence Hall Reservation Request ●●●

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Family Names (and children's ages) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Preferred Roommate \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to stay in a University residence hall for three nights (meal ticket package included):

- Single room ..... \$94 per person       Single suite ..... \$109 per person
- Double room ..... \$84 per person       Double suite ..... \$95 per person

## Method Of Payment For Registration Fee And Residence Hall Lodging Package (Meals Included) ●●●

Enclosed is a check for my registration fee + Residence Hall Lodging Package:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (*Registration \$50/Students and Faculty or \$90/Industry participants, per person*),  
payable to **Virginia Tech Treasurer/CE**.

Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my:  VISA  MasterCard

Cardholder's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

## Send Registration And Residence Hall Fees To ●●●

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Blacksburg, VA 24061

Phone (540)231-5182

## Donaldson Brown Hotel Reservation ●●●

Conference rates are \$61 + tax for a single and \$64 + tax for a double room per night. For lodging at the Donaldson Brown Hotel, call 540-231-8000.