



Geochemical Society

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WELCOME TO NEW GEOCHEMICAL SOCIETY MEMBERS!

The Geochemical Society (GS) is welcoming in a group of new members following this summer's V.M. Goldschmidt Conference in Yokohama, Japan. If you registered for the meeting as a non-member, then you automatically received membership in the society through 31 December 2017. That membership includes a subscription to *Elements*, as well as the weekly *Geochemical News* email and a discount to next year's Goldschmidt Conference in Paris (France). If you did not receive a welcome e-mail in August, it may be that we do not have your address on file. Please e-mail the business office at gsoffice@geochemsoc.org or call 1-202-545-6928 to make sure that we have your current contact information.

NOMINATE A COLLEAGUE FOR A GS AWARD BY 31 OCTOBER 2016

There is still time to nominate an outstanding colleague for one of the society's 2017 awards. Information about the V.M. Goldschmidt, F.W. Clarke, C.C. Patterson, and Alfred Treibs awards. Details regarding the Geochemical Fellows, jointly awarded by EAG and GS, are also available on the website.



Prof. Alexandra Navrotsky (University of California, Davis, USA) accepts the 2016 V.M. Goldschmidt Medal from GS President Laurie Reisberg (CRPG-CNRS, France) 28 June 2016 in Yokohama, Japan.

The society seeks broad diversity for its awards, and to achieve this goal we need high-quality nominations from all parts of the geochemical community. Nominations must be received by 31 October 2016. The winners will be announced February 2017.

GS CAREER CENTER

The Geochemical Career Center features job opportunities from employers all around the world. If you are looking for a teaching, research, or postdoctoral position, be sure to add the Career Center to the websites you follow. If you are an employer seeking excellent candidates, it's a great way to advertise your position to members of the society. Visit www.geochemsoc.org/career-center to get started.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Kate Horan (Durham University, UK) (Best Poster), Leanne Staddon (University of Bristol, UK) (Highly-Commended Poster), GS President Laurie Reisberg (CRPG-CNRS, France), Fienke Nanne (Durham University, UK) (Best Talk), and Luke Daly (Curtin University, Western Australia) (Highly-Commended Talk).

MEETING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SUPPORT FOR WORKSHOP ON HIGHLY SIDEROPHILE ELEMENTS

The GS Meeting Assistance Program (tinyurl.com/GeoChemMAP) provides support to meetings and workshops related to geochemistry. The program recently provided a grant to the 4th International Workshop on Highly Siderophile Element Geochemistry, held 11–14 July 2016 at Durham University (UK). Some 75 delegates from all over the globe participated. Dr Amy Riches, chair of the organizing committee, provided the following summary:

The scientific program covered a range of topics in Earth and planetary sciences. These included exploring mineralogical and textural observations, highly siderophile element abundances and their fractionation, stable and radiogenic isotope systematics, and chalcophile element data that included S–Se–Te variations and isotopic compositions. These data were shown to trace low-temperature processes related to environmental contamination, to Earth's geochemical cycles and erosion processes, and to high-temperature processes linked to ore formation, mantle melting on Earth, and some of the major phases of planetary evolution. A full day was devoted to the presentation of new findings arising from meteoritical and lunar studies, and a number of related posters were presented during the mid-week poster session. A public talk entitled, "How do Meteorites Tell us the Story of Our Solar System" was delivered by the workshop's keynote speaker, James M.D. Day (SCRIPPS, University of California, San Diego, USA), and effectively advocated for the collection and study of planetary materials. It was well received by a mixed audience of workshop delegates, academics from the wider university, members of the local Royal Astronomical Society, and members of the general public.

Twelve student travel bursaries were awarded, totaling approximately £3,500 in funding provided by the Meteoritical Society, Geochemical Society, and European Association of Geochemistry. Three of these students travelled from Australia, North America, and India; all others came from continental Europe and the UK and all presented their research findings at the workshop.

The best and highly commended student talks and posters were judged by a body of external volunteers, and the prizes were presented by Laurie Reisberg, President of the Geochemical Society.