

## Preview: XXIV International Materials Research Congress 2015

August 16–20, 2015 Cancún, Mexico www.mrs.org/imrc-2015

The Materials Research Society (MRS) and the Sociedad Mexicana de Materiales (SMM) are excited to be working together on this global effort by growing the International Materials Research Congress (IMRC) held annually in Cancún, Mexico. The XXIV IMRC will be held August 16–20, 2015. The Meeting Chairs are Patrizia Calaminici, Departamento de Química Cinvestav, Centro de Investigación (Mexico); Lioudmila Fomina, Instituto de Investigaciones en Materiales, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de

México (Mexico); **Manuel Quevedo**, The University of Texas at Dallas, Department of MS&E(USA); and **Ernesto Joselevich**, Department of Materials and Interfaces, Weizmann Institute of Science (Israel).

The Congress will feature 38 symposia covering nanoscience and nanotechnology, bio and bioinspired materials, materials for energy, fundamental materials science, materials characterization, materials for specific applications, and magnetic and electronic materials.

The featured speaker during the Science Luncheon is Luis A. Orozco, University of Maryland (USA). He will present some facts regarding the world of quantum mechanics and the second revolution that is happening now, which is showing developments with optical nanofibers.

This annual international meeting provides an interactive forum to discuss the advances in synthesis, characterization, properties, processing, applications, basic research trends, corrosion prevention, and more, all related to the area of materials science and engineering. It has become a popular meeting destination with approximately 1500 attendees from more than 40 countries.

For more information, visit the official IMRC website at www.mrs-mexico. org.mx/imrc2015/index.php.

## SCiMAN10 to be held December 7-9 in Costa Rica

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The 10th Symposium on Advanced Materials Science and Nanotechnology (SCiMAN10) will be held December 7–9, 2015, in San Jose, Costa Rica. It provides the local and regional scientific and engineering community a place to share research results in the fields of materials science, engineering, and nanotechnology.

The symposium is organized by the University of Costa Rica Materials Science and Engineering Institutional Program, which comprises the Materials Science and Engineering Research Center, the Electrochemistry and Chemical Energy Center, and the Microscopic Structures Research Center. The symposium will consist of lectures and a poster session.

Four confirmed speakers are Bradley Fahlman of Central Michigan University, USA, in the field of inorganic chemistry; Carlos Untiedt of the University of Alicante, Spain, in condensed matter; Charles Hanna of Boise State University, USA, in condensed-matter theory; and Dieter Bimberg of the Technische Universität Berlin, Germany, in applied solid-state physics.

Past symposia covered topics such as soft condensed matter, biomaterials, composites, nanostructured semiconductors, polymers, and graphene. More information can be accessed from the meeting website at www.cicima.ucr. ac.cr/simposios/23-sciman10.

