

QUESTIONS?

If you are a speaker or symposium organizer, please direct any session-related or reimbursement questions to the Program Chair, David Giovannucci, at MM2011ProgramChair@microscopy.org

All other meeting-related questions may be directed to:
MeetingManager@microscopy.org

AWARDS

Please see below and online (www.microscopy.org/MandM/2011/awards) for details regarding each specific award, criteria and prize(s). In order to be considered for the DSA and PSA, the appropriate box must be checked on the paper submission site. The email address of the person providing the supporting letter must be provided as well. (That person will be contacted via email and asked to submit their support letter via email.) All support letters must be received no later than February 15, 2011. All applicants will be notified of their awards status by March 24, 2011. Unsuccessful applicants are permitted to withdraw their papers by March 31, 2011.

MSA Presidential Student Awards (PSA)

Criteria:

- Applicants must be bona fide students at a recognized college or university at the time of the meeting (August 2011).
- Awards are based on the quality of the paper submitted for presentation at the meeting.
- Applicant must be the first author of the submitted paper.
- Paper must be submitted for platform presentation.
- Successful applicants must present their papers personally at the meeting in order to receive their award.
- Awardees are expected to attend and participate in the entire meeting.
- Please note: Former winners are ineligible for another award.

Successful applicants will receive:

- Complimentary full-meeting registration to M&M 2011 (includes proceedings and social event ticket)
- Invitation to the Presidential Reception
- Up to \$1,000 for travel (lowest roundtrip domestic USA airfare)
- Complimentary student housing accommodations

Robert P. Apkarian Memorial Scholarship

- Will provide support for two (2) post-doctoral students to attend M&M 2011.
- One (1) award designated for biological sciences.
- One (1) award designated for materials science, education or instrumentation.

Criteria (In addition to satisfying all criteria above):

- Applicant must be a full-time, post-doctoral student (open to both domestic U.S. and international candidates).
- Submission procedures must be followed as indicated above for Presidential Student Awards.
- A supporting letter must be received from a member of MSA, preferably the director or supervisor, attesting to the applicant's status.
- Applicant must be a current member of MSA (dues paid through 2011).

Successful applicants will receive:

- Complimentary full registration for M&M 2011 (including proceedings & social event ticket)
- Invitation to the Presidents' Reception
- Award plaque designating the Robert P. Apkarian Memorial Scholarship
- Limited travel and lodging support will be made available

Eric Samuel Scholarship

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Criteria:

- Satisfy all criteria for Presidential Student Awards
- Open to all bona fide students, including post-doctoral students.

Successful applicants will receive:

- Complimentary full meeting registration to M&M 2011 (including proceedings & social event ticket)
- Invitation to Presidents' Reception
- Up to \$1,500 for lodging and travel (lowest available roundtrip airfare)
- Complimentary student (or equivalent) lodgings

Raleigh & Clara Miller Scholarship Award

Criteria:

- Applicant must be the first author of a paper submitted for platform presentation.
- Applicant must have been a student (undergraduate, graduate, post-doctoral) when work to be presented was done.
- Preference is for biological topics, but materials and technical projects will be considered.

Successful applicants will receive:

- \$1,000 to attend the meeting.

MSA Professional Technical Staff Awards (PTSA)

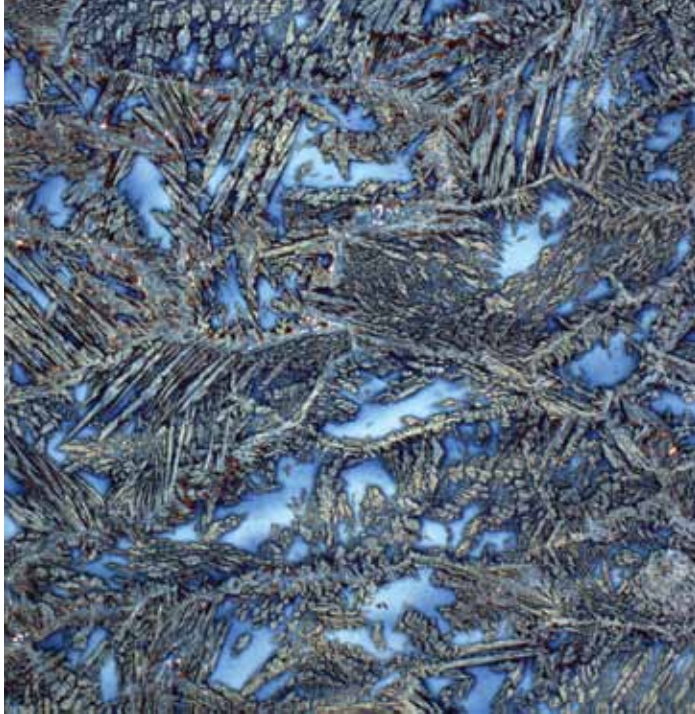
(up to 4 awards given)

Criteria:

- Awards are designated for professional technical staff.
- Applicants must be regular, current members of MSA (dues fully paid for 2011).
- Awards are based on the quality of the paper submitted and are judged by the MSA Technologists' Forum.
- Applicant must be the first author of the submitted paper.
- Successful applicants must present their papers personally at the meeting in order to receive their award.
- Awardees are expected to attend and participate in the entire meeting.
- *Please note:* Former winners are ineligible for another award. This category also includes the Raleigh and Clara Miller Awards.

Successful applicants will receive:

- Complimentary full-meeting registration to M&M 2011 (includes proceedings and social event ticket)
- Up to \$600 for travel/lodging/meeting expenses



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MAS Distinguished Scholar Awards (DSA)

Criteria:

- Applicants must be bona fide students at a recognized college or university at the time of the meeting (August 2011). This must be confirmed by a current member of MAS.
- Awards are based on the quality of the paper submitted for presentation at the meeting.
- Applicant must be the first author of the submitted paper.
- Successful applicants must present their papers personally at the meeting in order to receive their award.

Successful applicants will receive:

- Complimentary full-meeting registration to M&M 2011 (includes proceedings and social event ticket);
- Invitation to the Presidential Reception;
- Monetary contribution towards travel and lodging expenses.

MSA Student Poster Awards

Criteria:

- Presented for best posters in categories of:
 1. Instrumentation & Techniques;
 2. Applications of Microscopy & Microanalysis - Biological;
 3. Applications of Microscopy & Microanalysis - Physical.
- The first author of each awarded paper must be a student (contact information must be provided for someone who can verify student status).
- Awardees' posters must be displayed at the M&M meeting from Monday through Thursday.

Prizes will be awarded in each category:

First Prize: \$400; Second Prize: \$200

Diatome Awards

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Criteria:

Presented for the posters illustrating the best use of diamond-knife ultramicrotomy in either biological or physical sciences.

First Prize: One week, all-expense-paid trip to Switzerland

Second Prize & Third Prize: Swiss watches

IMS International Metallographic Contest

Criteria:

- The contest embraces 11 classes representing various materials and methods revealing structure such as microphotography, optical and electron microscopy, and unique techniques.
- In general, an exhibit should tell a story about a problem and how it was solved.
- For complete requirements, detailed rules, and submission procedures, visit <http://www.internationalmetallographicsociety.org/contest.html> or contact the Contest Chair, Alice Kilgo (ackilgo@sandia.gov).

Prizes will be awarded in each category.

First Prize: \$200;

Second Prize: \$100;

Third Prize: \$50;

Best in Show Prize: \$3,000

All entries must be received by July 22, 2011 and should be sent to:

James Wittig
Vanderbilt University
5617 Stevenson Center
Nashville, TN 37232

MSA Micrograph Competition

Sponsored by Microscopy Society of America

Held at the M&M Meeting each year, this micrograph competition promotes the innovative blending of art and science. Open to all forms of microscopic imaging, winners of this competition are selected on the basis of artistic merit and general audience appeal. A maximum of three (3) awards will be presented.

Criteria:

- Entries must be scientifically significant
- Entries must contain novel information useful in resolving a scientific issue, and/or
- Present established information in a way that dramatically enhances its comprehension or interpretation.

Rules:

1. Any individual may submit a maximum of two (2) entries (one award per entrant).
2. Entries must have overall dimensions of 11" x 14" (horizontal or vertical), and be affixed to a stiff lightweight support (e.g. ¼" foam board). Micrographs may be mounted so that they have borders.
3. Each entry must have a separate text sheet with the title and a 200-word (max) description of the image, including the technique and its scientific significance. Text is recommended to be printed in 14-pt Times New Roman font on a separate 8 ½" x 11" sheet. Entrant's name, address and image title shall be posted on the back of the mounted entry(ies).
4. Entries must be brought to the meeting and mounted on the display boards by 12:00 noon on Monday, August 8, 2011. Non-winning entries must be removed Thursday afternoon by 3:00 PM. Micrographs remaining after that time will be discarded. Winning micrographs will be incorporated into the MSA Traveling Poster Exhibit for 2011-2012, and will be returned to the owner during the summer of 2012. Winners will be announced at the meeting. Submitted micrographs remain the property of the entrants subject to the conditions above.

First Prize: \$200; Two Second Prizes: \$50 each.