

The Coblenz Society

Fostering the Understanding and Application of Vibrational Spectroscopy

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Dear Coblenz Society Member:

The Coblenz Society has for many years encouraged young scientists to pursue studies in spectroscopy by seeking nominations of outstanding students for the Coblenz Student Awards. The awardees receive a copy of the Society's *Deskbook*, a certificate, and a year's membership in the Society. Their names, the names of their faculty advisors, and a brief description of their research appear in the Society's *Newsletter* in the August issue of *Applied Spectroscopy*.

Coblenz Society members are encouraged to make such nominations for excellence in vibrational spectroscopy, or in course work that covers vibrational spectroscopy, by graduate or undergraduate students. If you are the advisor of the student being nominated, you may submit the nomination directly. If you know of a deserving student, you are urged to contact his or her research advisor and encourage the nomination. To maintain a high standard of selectivity, we ask that only one student per year be nominated from any research group.

Nominations should be received by me by April 15, 2007, and should include a brief description of the student's research or other qualifications (a few lines will suffice). A letter of congratulation will be sent directly to each student; the *Deskbook* will be sent to the faculty member making the nomination, so it can be awarded to the student in the most appropriate setting.

I would also like to make you aware that the Federation of Analytical Chemistry and Spectroscopy Societies (FACSS) also sponsors student awards, namely the Tomas A. Hirschfeld award, the FACSS Student Award, and the FACSS/SAS Student Poster Award. More information on these awards can be found at: http://facss.org/facss/program_awardlist.php

Thank you for cooperating in these programs to recognize outstanding students and to increase the visibility of spectroscopy in our educational institutions.

Sincerely,
Jerome (Jerry) Workman, Student Affairs Committee