

• Intersociety Relations Committee . .

committee is interested in the investigation proposed, and that contacts should be made with . . . giving the name and address of the contact (technical or working committee chairman) directly interested in joining in the proposed investigation. The representative of the Society initiating this action refers these comments to the Committee Chairman who initiated the request, and thus contact between or among committee chairmen is established—or it has been established that if a specific committee of the initiating Society does proceed it is not duplicating effort being pursued in one of the other member-societies.

The following features of the contact plan should be noted and emphasized:

1. The Technical Committee Chairman initiating a request for possible cooperation and collaboration need not (and in fact should not) go outside his own society until contact has been established between or among the key contact men.

2. When a key contact man requests the recording secretary to contact the key contact men in the other societies, they in turn will find the appropriate technical committee chairman within their own society. They will ascertain whether the appropriate technical committee within their own society is interested in cooperation and/or collaboration, and when this is established will report back to the recording secretary either that there is no interest within their society in the specific proposed project or that there is interest and contact should be made with the technical committee chairman in the specific committee involved. An essential feature of the contact plan is that the key men have to make contact within their own societies and to report the specific contact or the fact that there is no interest in the particular project within their society.

3. In initiating the original request, the technical committee chairman must, of course, give enough details of his proposed project so that correct contact can be made

and chairmen in other societies can understand what is being proposed.

4. Once the contacts have been made within the society and referred back to the recording secretary, he will forward this information to the original key contact man, who will turn it over to the original technical committee chairman within the society. From this point on contact and cooperation will be between or among the technical committee chairmen concerned.

Requests for cooperation and/or collaboration are, of course, optional. The chairman of a committee in one of the four societies will initiate requests for such cooperation presumably only if and when he deems such cooperation of potential benefit to the activities and aims of his committee. Obviously, also, responses to invitations to cooperate and/or collaborate will be accepted by specific chairmen in the other three societies if and only if they are interested in establishing such cooperation. It is not intended that there is to be a police-like demand for cooperation on the part of every chairman engaged in every collaborative effort as an activity of his Technical Committee. It should be emphasized that the principal objective of the Intersociety Relations Committee is to minimize duplication of effort in analytical method development work. When it can create a group of individuals with the greatest expertise in a particular area to work together to devise a standard or official method of analysis, the Intersociety Relations Committee can be of considerable assistance. The proposed plan can, hopefully, be an effective procedure to establish the required cooperation.

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Call for Nominations for Eighth AOCS \$2,500 Award in Lipid Chemistry

Sponsored by Applied Science Laboratories

In April 1964 the Governing Board of the American Oil Chemists' Society established an Award in Lipid Chemistry under the sponsorship of the Applied Science Laboratories Inc., State College, Pennsylvania. Previous awards were presented as follows: Erich Baer, August 1964; Ernest Klenk, October 1965; H.E. Carter, October 1966; Sune Bergstrom, October 1967; Daniel Swern, October 1968; H.J. Dutton, October 1969 and E.P. Kennedy, September 1970.

The award consists of \$2,500 accompanied by an appropriate certificate. It is now planned that the eighth award will be presented at the AOCS Fall Meeting in Atlantic City, Oct. 2-6, 1971.

Canvassing Committee Appointees

Policies and procedures governing the selection of award winners have been set forth by the AOCS Governing Board. An Award Nomination Canvassing Committee has been appointed. Its membership is R.J. Sims, Chairman; W.P. Gible, L.H. Widemann, D.L. Berner and T.J. Weiss. The function of this committee is to solicit nominations for the eighth award. Selection of the award winner will be made by the Award Committee whose membership will remain anonymous.

Rules

The rules prescribe that nominees shall have been responsible for the accomplishment of original research

in lipid chemistry and must have presented the results thereof through publication of technical papers of high quality. Preference will be given to individuals who are actively associated with research in lipid chemistry and who have made fundamental discoveries that affect a large segment of the lipid field. For award purposes, the term "lipid chemistry" is considered to embrace all aspects of the chemistry and biochemistry of fatty acids, of naturally occurring and synthetic compounds and derivatives of fatty acids, and of compounds that are related to fatty acids metabolically, or occur naturally in close association with fatty acids or derivatives thereof. The award will be made without regard for national origin, race, color, creed or sex.

Letters of nomination together with supporting documents must be submitted in octuplicate to R.J. Sims, General Foods Corp., Technical Center, White Plains, N.Y., before the deadline date of April 15, 1971. The supporting documents shall consist of professional biographical data, including a summary of the nominee's research accomplishments, a list of his publications, the degrees he holds, together with the names of the granting institutions, and the positions held during his professional career. There is no requirement that either the nominator or the nominee be a member of the American Oil Chemists' Society.

Remember the DEADLINE, April 15, 1971