exhibitors included analytical equipment manufactures, materials producers, book and journal publishers, database and software producers, scientific societies, scientific consultants, and sponsor companies. The exhibit hall was a popular place to meet up with old friends, old colleagues, and meet new people. Members often strolled along different aisles to learn about new products, obtain information, chat with manufactures, pickup souvenirs, browse through new publications, and participate in new product demonstrations. At the exhibit, special technical sessions (Industry Track) were also held on the show floor on critical topics in industry, including "Manufacturing at the Right Size for the Emerging SOFC Market," "Corning Incorporated—Dura Trap AT™ Diesel Particulate Filter," "Submicron Grinding with a Vertical Bead Mill," "Eliminating Frame-Based Creep with a Novel Nanoindentation Method," "Oak Ridge's HTML: A National Resource for Collaborative Materials Research," "Roll Failure Analysis, Causes and Prevention," and "Roll Inspection Equipment"

Other events included the ASM Leadership Awards Luncheon, the ACerS annual membership Meeting, the ACerS Honors and Awards Banquet and Afterglow, ASM 95th Annual Membership Meeting and Reception, ASM Awards Dinner, and the ASM Fellows Breakfast. There were refreshment breaks during morning and afternoon technical session breaks throughout the week. Member lounges were also available for ACerS, AIST, ASM, and TMS societies in the Convention Center. Various universities also held alumni receptions. These universities included Alfred University, Colorado School of Mines, Michigan Tech University, Penn State University, Purdue University, University of Illinois, and Missouri University of Science and Technology.

The weather during the meeting was sunny and relatively warm for an October week. Many attendees had an opportunity for an enjoyable stroll outside the meeting hotel. In the future, the attendees can look forward to meetings cosponsored by ACerS, including the 33rd International & Exposition on Advanced Ceramics & Composites which will take place in Daytona Beach, FL from Jan. 18–23, the 8th Pacific Rim Conference on Ceramic & Glass Technology (PACRIM) which will take place in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada from May 31-June 5, 2009, and the MS&T Conference and Exhibit which will take place again at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA, from Oct. 25–29, 2009.

Calendar of Meetings

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1–5 December 2008

Materials Research Society Fall Meeting. Boston, Massachusetts, USA. Includes the symposium Grazing-incidence Small-angle X-ray Scattering. [Info: http://www.mrs.org].

10-13 February 2009

9th International Conference on Quasielastic Neutron Scattering. Villigen, Switzerland. [Contact: Laboratory for Neutron Scattering, ETH Zurich and Paul Scherer Institut, CH-5232 Villigen-PSI, Switzerland. Tel: 41 (56) 310 3176; Fax: 41 (56) 310 2939].

15–19 February 2009

TMS 2009 Annual Meeting and Exhibition. San Francisco, California, USA. [Contact: TMS Meeting Services, 184 Thorn Hill Road, Warrendale, PA 15086, USA. Tel: 1 (724) 776 9000 x243; Fax: 1 (724) 776 3770; E-mail: mtgserv@tms.org; Info: http://www.tms.org/Meetings/ Annual-09/AnnMtg09Home.html].

16-21 February 2009

American Academy of Forensic Sciences 61st Annual Scientific Meeting. Denver, Colorado, USA. [Info: http:// www.aafs.org/default.asp?section_id=meetings&page_id =aafs_annual_meeting].

8-13 March 2009

Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy. Chicago, Illinois, USA. [Contact: Pittcon 2009, 300 Penn Center Building, Sutie 332, Pittsburgh, PA 15235; Tel: 1 (412) 825 3220; Fax: 1 (412) 825 3224; E-mail: info@pittcon.org; Info: http://www.pittcon.org].

9-12 March 2009

17. Jahrestagung der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Kristallographie. Hannover, Germany. [Contact: Prof. Dr. Josef-Christian Buhl, Institut für Mineralogie, Leibnitz-Universität Hannover, Callinstrasse 1, 30167 Hannover, Germany. Tel: 49 (511) 7 62 3583; Fax: 49 (511) 7 62 2995; E-mail: j.buhl@mineralogie.uni-hannover.de; Info: http://www. conventus.de/dgk2009].

19-20 March 2009

Polymorphism and Crystallization. Brussels, Belgium. [Contact: Kate Laird. E-mail: sciup@scientificupdate. co.uk; Info: http://www.scientificupdate.co.uk/conferences/ polymorphism/index.php].

23-27 March 2009

International Centre for Diffraction Data Annual Spring Meeting. Newtown Square, Pennsylvania, USA. [Info: http://www.icdd.com/profile/march09.htm].

5-8 April 2009

Recent Advances in Characterization, Processing, Design, and Modelling of Structural and Functional Materials. Lisbon, Portugal. [Info: http://www.demat.ist.utl.pt/ materials2009].

13-17 April 2009

Materials Research Society Spring Meeting. San Francisco, California, USA. [Contact: Materials Research Society, 506 Keystone Drive, Warrendale, PA 15086-7573; Tel: 1 (724) 779 3003; E-mail: info@mrs.org; Info: http:// www.mrs.org].

4–7 May 2009

8th Pharmaceutical Powder X-ray Diffraction Symposium. Glasgow, Scotland, UK. Sponsored by the International Centre for Diffraction Data. [Info: http:// www.icdd.com/ppxrd].

30 May-3 June 2009

92nd Canadian Chemical Conference and Exhibition. Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. [Info: http://www.csc2009.ca/ index.cfm/ci_id/5144/1a_id/1.htm]

21-26 June 2009

Goldschmidt 2009: Challenges to Our Volatile Planet. Davos, Switzerland. [Info: http://www.goldschmidt2009.org].

22–24 June 2009

ICNX 2009 International Conference on Neutron and X-ray Scattering. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. [Contact: Abdul Aziz Mohammed, Conference Secretariat, Block 34, Materials Technology Group, Agensi Nuklear Malaysia, 43000 Bangi, Selangor, Malaysia. Tel: 60 (3) 8925 0510; Fax: 60 (3) 8925 0907; E-mail: aziz mohd@nuclearmalasia.gov.my].

25-30 July 2009

American Crystallographic Association Annual Meeting. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. [Contact: American Crystallographic Association, Post Office Box 96 Endicott Station, Buffalo, NY 14205-0096, USA; Tel: 1 (716) 898 8690; Fax: 1 (716) 898 8695; E-mail: aca@hwi.buffalo.edu; Info: http:/ /www.amercrystalassn.org/meetings_pglist/ futuremeetings.html].

27-31 July 2009

58th Annual Denver X-ray Conference. Crowne Plaza Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colorado, USA Unique mixture of sessions on training, education, and applications. [Contact: Denise Flaherty, International Centre for Diffraction Data, 12 Campus Boulevard, Newtown Square, PA 19073-3273, USA. Tel: 1-610-325-9814; E-mail: flaherty@icdd.com; Info: http://www.dxcicdd.com].

Summer 2009

14th International XAFS Conference. Camerino, Italy. Held at the University of Camerino: [Info: http:// gnxas.unicam.it/XASLABwww/pag_xafs2009.html].

7-9 August 2009

Symmetry and Crystallography in Turkish Art and Culture. Istanbul, Turkey. This is a satellite conference of the 25th European Crystallographic Meeting in Istanbul, sponsored by the IUCr Commission on Mathematical and Theoretical Crystallography. It includes a do-it-yourself workshop and a short excursion. [Contact: E-mail: mathcryst.satellite@1cm3b.uhp-nancy.fr].

9-14 August 2009

25th European Crystallographic Meeting. Istanbul, Turkey. [E-mail: ecm25@ecm25.org; Info: http://www. ecm25.org].

8-10 September 2009

SRPS 4 Synchrotron Radiation in Polymer Science IV. Kerkrade, The Netherlands. A satellite conference of the **XIV International Conference on Small-angle Scattering** in Oxford, UK on 13–18 September. Held in the Rolduc Abbey, founded in 1104, close to Maastricht and Aachen. [Contact: Info: http://srps4.chem.tue.nl/index1.html].

13-18 September 2009

SAS-2009 XIV International Conference on Small-angle Scattering. Oxford, England, UK. [Contact: E-mail: sas2009@diamond.ac.uk; Info: http://www.sas2009.org].

20-23 September 2009

GISAS 2009 Grazing-incidence Small-angle Scattering Satellite Conference. Hamburg, Germany. A satellite conference of the XIV International Conference on Small-angle Scattering in Oxford, UK on 13–18 September. [Contact: Christine Berber, DESY, Notkestrasse 85, 22607 Hamburg, Germany. Tel: 49 (40) 8998 1541; E-mail: gisas2009 @desy.de; Info: https://indico.desy.de/conferencedisplay. py?confld=797].

24-29 July 2010

American Crystallographic Association Meeting. Chicago, Illinois, USA.

29 September–5 October 2010

26th European Crystallographic Meeting. Darmstadt, Germany. [Info: http://www.ecanews. org/meetings.htm].

Short Courses & Workshops

4–6 December 2008

Dynamics of Soft Matter Workshop. Boston, Massachusetts, USA. A satellite event of the **MRS Annual Meeting**(1–5 December, Boston.) [Info: http:// neutrons.ornl.gov/conf/dsm2008/index.shtml].

15-24 April 2009

PhaRe 2009: A Modular Workshop on Global Phase Retrieval. Martina Franca, Italy. [Info: http://phare.ic.cnr.it].

18–22 May 2009 ICDD X-ray Fluorescence Clinic: Practical X-ray Fluo-