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Eminent Young Engineers Selected to Participate in NAE's 2003 U.S. Frontiers of Engineering Symposium

WASHINGTON -- Eighty-three of the nation's top young engineers have been selected to participate in the National Academy of Engineering's (NAE) ninth annual Frontiers of Engineering symposium. The three-day event will bring together engineers age 30 to 45 who are performing leading-edge engineering research and technical work. The participants -- from industry, academia, and government -- were nominated by fellow engineers or organizations and chosen from a field of nearly 170 applicants.

"This century's great achievements will involve the marriage of seemingly unrelated disciplines, like bioengineering and computer science," said National Academy of Engineering President Wm. A. Wulf. "It is gatherings like Frontiers of Engineering, which forge relationships among the brightest young engineers in a diverse range of fields, where future innovations will be initiated."

The symposium will be held Sept. 18-20 at the National Academies' Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center in Irvine, Calif., and will explore topics in environmental engineering, nanotechnology, counterterrorism technologies and infrastructure protection, and biomolecular computing. William F. Balhaus Jr., president and CEO of the Aerospace Corp., will be a featured speaker.

The following engineers were selected as general participants:

Ali Adibi, Georgia Institute of Technology
Terry L. Alford, Arizona State University
Luis A. Nunes Amaral, Northwestern University
Mauro J. Atalla, United Technologies Research Center
Ricardo S. Avila, General Electric Global Research
Lisa Axe, New Jersey Institute of Technology
Ronald Azuma, HRL Laboratories
Jeffrey Baclaski, Amgen Inc.
Lee A. Barford, Agilent Laboratories
Roger Barga, Microsoft Corp.
Rashid Bashir, Purdue University
William D. Batchelor, Iowa State University
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Po-Jen Shih, Eastman Kodak Co.
Steven Slayzak, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Chih-Jen Sung, Case Western Reserve University
Chi Tang, PPG Industries Inc.
Joseph Tringe, Air Force Research Laboratory
Leendert van Doorn, IBM T.J. Watson Research Center
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