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COBLENTZ MEMORIAL PRIZE AWARD REGULATIONS

The following regulations for the award of the Coblenz Memorial Prize have been approved by the Board of Management by a postal vote.

1. The award shall be called the Coblenz Memorial Prize. Its object is to commemorate the contribution of the late Dr. W. W. Coblenz to chemical infrared spectroscopy and to recognize and encourage the contributions of the younger workers in the field of chemical spectroscopy.
2. The award shall be made once annually, provided the financial status of the Society will permit this, and provided a candidate of sufficient merit is available.
3. The award shall be made on the basis of the candidate's published research in the field of molecular spectroscopy applied to the elucidation of chemical problems. In selecting the successful candidate, the Award Committee shall take into account the fact that the prize is intended to commemorate Dr. Coblenz' work in infrared spectroscopy. It is therefore appropriate that it should normally be given for a contribution to infrared spectroscopy, but in exceptional cases, meritorious work in ultraviolet spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy or other related fields of molecular spectroscopy may be recognized.
4. The prize winner must not have passed his 36th birthday by December 31 of the year preceding that in which the award is made. Men and women are equally eligible; there are not geographical restrictions; and membership in the Coblenz Society is not a prerequisite. No individual may win the prize twice.
5. The prize winner will be chosen by the Coblenz Memorial Prize Award Committee. This committee shall consist of the President of the Coblenz Society, one member of the Board of Management, and two additional Award Committee members who shall not be members of the Board of Management. In the event of a tie, the President shall have a casting vote. The representative from the Board, and the two external Award Committee members shall be appointed by the Board at their meeting, immediately preceding the Annual General Meeting of the Society. The Board member and the Award Committee members shall serve for one year only and their names shall not be made public in the records of the Society until they have completed their terms of office.

6. The President shall report the recommendations of the Award Committee to the Board of Management by November 15 of the year preceding that in which the award is to be made.
7. The award shall consist of a framed certificate and an honorarium which shall be sufficient to provide travel and maintenance expenses to enable the prize winner to attend the meeting of the Society at which the award is made.
8. The award shall normally be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Society or on some other occasion during the scientific conference at which the Annual General Meeting is held. The prize winner may be called upon to present an invited paper prior to the presentation of the award.

R. N. Jones, President

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