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**Biographical Sketches**

**Chair**

MARK EBERHART is a professor in the Department of Chemistry and Geochemistry at the Colorado School of Mines, where he directs the Molecular Theory Group (MTG). At the MTG knowledge of bonding is obtained through detailed topological analyses of the spatial distribution of electrons in molecules and solids. Many subtle aspects of the distribution become obvious when viewed from a topological perspective. The accompanying topological formalism gives well-defined, unambiguous, meaningful and consistent definitions to previously indeterminate quantities such as atomic bonds and basins. His work is based primarily on first principles computations, which provide the electron charge densities, and topological analysis software developed at the MTG. He is also exploring the topological and geometric origins responsible for the stability of amorphous metallic alloys. In addition to his work on condensed phase systems, his group has active research programs exploring the relationships between charge density and the chemical properties of molecular systems, both organic and inorganic. Dr. Eberhart holds a B.S. degree in chemistry and applied mathematics from the University of Colorado, an M.S. degree in physical biochemistry from the University of Colorado, and a Ph.D. in materials science and engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Members**

JUAN J. DE PABLO (NAE) is the Liew Family Professor in Molecular Engineering in the Institute for Molecular Engineering at the University of Chicago. His research interests are to develop multiscale models of complex fluids and materials for design of functional materials systems. The classes of materials studied in his laboratories range from amorphous solids or glasses, to polymers and liquid crystals. He also considers biological macromolecular systems, and their interactions with synthetic materials. The applications of his efforts encompass the design and characterization of glassy matrices for encapsulation of biological molecules or cells, the design of liquid-crystal based sensors for toxic molecules or for biological molecules and assemblies, and the design of self-assembling polymeric systems and processes for nanoscale patterning or for creation of three-dimensional functional structures.

ELIZABETH DICKEY is a professor and director of Graduate Studies of Materials Science and Engineering at North Carolina State University, where she is also the director of the Center for Dielectrics and Piezoelectrics, and director of the Science and Engineering of Atomic Structure Research Traineeship program. A primary focus of her research aims to develop processing-structure-property relationships for materials in which the macroscopic physical properties are governed by point defects, grain boundaries or internal interfaces. Particular emphasis is placed on understanding the role of these material defects on electrical and chemical transport in dielectric materials. Her research involves using an array of analytical techniques, in particular electron microscopy and spectroscopy, to understand the structure and chemistry of materials at the nanometer length scale. She has over 150 peer-reviewed journal publications in these areas, which have over eleven-thousand citations. Early in her career, she received the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) for her work on metal-ceramic interfaces. She is a fellow of the American Ceramic Society, has served on the society's Board of Directors, and was awarded the Fulrath Award by the society in recognition of her technical contributions related to the characterization of functional ceramics and composites. She is an

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OLIVIA A. GRAEVE joined the University of California, San Diego, in 2012, and is currently Professor in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Director of the CaliBaja Center for Resilient Materials and Systems, and Faculty Director of the IDEA Engineering Student Center. Her area of research focuses on fundamental studies of the synthesis and processing of nanostructured materials, including ceramic and metallic nanomaterials and amorphous/nanocrystalline composites for both structural and functional applications, with a special emphasis on electromagnetic multifunctional materials for sensors and energy applications. Dr. Graeve has received research grants and contracts from federal agencies such as the National Science Foundation, the Department of Defense, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the Department of Energy, as well as from industrial partners. Her publications include both research and pedagogy and curriculum development contributions, with publications that have appeared in Chemistry of Materials, the Journal of the American Ceramic Society, Langmuir, ACS Applied Materials and Interfaces, Biomaterials, the Journal of Physical Chemistry, the Journal of Materials Research, Scientific Reports, Nanotechnology, the Journal of Applied Physics, and Optical Materials, among others, and have been presented in over 200 invited, contributed, and poster presentations at local, national, and international meetings. Dr. Graeve has contributed to the development of human resources both as a research advisor and as an instructor, teaching courses in the general areas of structure and bonding, as well as the mechanical behavior of materials. She has served on numerous committees of her primary societies (American Ceramic Society, Materials Research Society, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, and Sociedad Mexicana de Materials, A.C.) in many different capacities and actively participates in organizing national and international conferences, as well as serving on various review boards and advisory panels. She has been involved in many activities related to the recruitment and retention of women and Hispanic students in science and engineering and has received several prestigious awards including the National Science Foundation CAREER award, the 2006 Hispanic Educator of the Year award by the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, the 2010 Karl Schwartzwalder Professional Achievement in Ceramic Engineering Award by the American Ceramic Society, the 2012 B.J. Harrington Lectureship by McGill University, the 2011 Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers "Jaime Oaxaca" Award, Outstanding Engineering Educator by the San Diego Chapter of the California Society of Professional Engineers (2015), and Alumna of the Year by Southwestern College (2015). More recently, she has been named into the Tijuana Walk of Fame (2014) and to the Mexican Academy of Engineering (2016). Dr. Graeve holds a Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering from the University of California, Davis, in 2001 and a Bachelor's degree in Structural Engineering from the University of California, San Diego in 1995.

JOANNA R. GROZA is professor (emerita) of materials science and engineering at the University of California, Davis. Her research interests are in electrical field/current activated sintering – to understand the effects of electrical field application in powder sintering; control of field activated sintering technique process to achieve optimum final properties; sintering of nanocrystalline materials with emphasis on biomaterials; processing – microstructure – property relationships to improve the basic knowledge of materials behavior in high-temperature and fatigue conditions (e.g., in nanocomposites); and abnormal grain growth in polymorphic materials. Dr. Groza received an M.S. in metallurgy engineering and a Ph.D. in physical metallurgy from the University Politehnica of Bucharest, which she attended from 1968 to 1973.

RAINER HEBERT is a Castleman associate professor of Engineering Innovation and on the faculty of the Department of Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Connecticut (UConn). He is director of the Pratt & Whitney Additive Manufacturing Center at UConn and is the associate director of the Institute for Materials Science at UConn. His research interests are directed toward the melting and fusion behavior of powder beds interacting with laser beams and the phase selection during the solidification stages of rapid solidification processes. Dr. Hebert

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AGNES CHAU KLUCHA is the Senior Director, Engineering for the Sensors and Integrated Systems business unit at UTC Aerospace Systems, one of the world's largest suppliers of technologically advanced aerospace and defense products. She has responsibility for engineering leadership of the Inertial Control and Aircraft Management Systems (ICAMS) business segment. During her 21-year career at UTC, Agnes has held various engineering and management roles at UTC Aerospace Systems and Pratt and Whitney. Previous positions included Flight Test Engineer, Joint Strike Fighter Test Planning Manager, leadership of Tiger Teams to resolve top technical issues, and "intrapreneur" in the creation of the Engineering Innovation Center to pursue advanced manufacturing and design technologies, with a special focus on additive manufacturing. Agnes led the initiative to establish the University of Connecticut/Pratt and Whitney Additive Manufacturing Innovation Center. Ms. Klucha is the 2011 Connecticut Woman of Innovation winner in the Large Business Innovation and Leadership category, a 2015 STEP (Science, Technology, Engineering and Production) Award Honoree, a national event sponsored by The Manufacturing Institute, and a 2015 Society of Women Engineers' Advocating Women in Engineering Award winner. Ms. Klucha received a B.A. in engineering science – aerospace engineering – from the University of Toronto and an M.B.A. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

SUBHASH MAHAJAN (NAE) is a distinguished professor in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering, University of California, Davis, and was a special adviser to the chancellor. Dr. Mahajan's research focuses on two thematic areas: functional materials and deformation behavior of solids. He has held positions at the University of Denver; The Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, England; Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill; Carnegie Mellon University; and Arizona State University (ASU). At ASU, he was chair of the Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering (2000 to 2006), and was the founding director of the School of Materials (2006 to 2009). In 2007, he became an ASU regent's professor. He was a senior adviser to the dean of engineering at ASU from 2009 to 2010. Dr. Mahajan has extensive experience in editorial work: he was an associate editor of *Metallurgical and Materials Transactions* (1984 to 1997); founded *Materials Science and Engineering B* in 1988 and managed it until 2000; has served as editor of *Acta Materialia* from 2000 to 2016; and the coordinating editor of *Acta Journals* from 2004 to 2016. He edited the *Handbook on Semiconductors* in 1994, and co-edited a number of encyclopedias: *Concise Encyclopedia of Semiconducting Materials and Related Technologies*; *The Encyclopedia of Advanced Materials*; and *The Encyclopedia of Materials*. He also co-authored an undergraduate text book, *Principles of Growth and Processing of Semiconductors*. Over the years, he has received numerous awards for excellence in research and education: fellow of ASM, TMS, and MRS; Albert Sauveur Achievement Award from ASM; ASM Gold Medal; and the John Bardeen and Educator Awards from TMS. In 2018, Dr. Mahajan was awarded the *Acta Materialia* Gold Medal. He delivered the Campbell Memorial and Lee Hsun Lectures, respectively, for ASM and the Chinese Academy of Sciences. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering. Dr. Mahajan obtained his B.Sc. (physics, chemistry and mathematics) and B.E. (metallurgy), respectively, from Punjab University and the Indian Institute of Science with the highest honors. He received a Ph.D. in materials science and engineering from the University of California, Berkeley in 1965.

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LAKSHMI S. NAIR is an associate professor in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery, Institute for Regenerative Engineering, Department of Material Science and Engineering, Institute of Material Science, and Department of Biomedical Engineering at the University of Connecticut Health. Her major research interests are in regenerative engineering, biomaterials, design and development of injectable hydrogels as regenerative biomaterials, nanostructured scaffolds for tissue regeneration, and post transcriptional regulation of cells using microRNA. She has more than 100 papers in the area of Biomaterial Design and Synthesis, Injectable Hydrogels; Protein and Small Molecule Delivery; Nanoparticles, Cell Instructive Polymer Matrices to Direct Regeneration; Platelet Rich Plasma Delivery; Gene Activated Matrices to Enhance Tissue Regeneration; and Biomaterial based Strategies for Pain Management. She currently serves as the managing editor of the journal of regenerative engineering and translational medicine as well as the secretary of the regenerative engineering society. Her awards and honors include Fellow of the United States National Academy of Inventors (2017), appointed to the Scientific Merit Review Board, Department of Veterans Affairs, (2011-2014), US-Chapter President, Society for Biomaterials and Artificial Organs India, (2012-2020), "Women of Innovation Finalist 2011" in the Entrepreneurial Innovation and Leadership.

KARIN M. RABE (NAS) is the Board of Governors Professor of Physics at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. Dr. Rabe's research interests center on the use of computation and theory in the design and discovery of new functional materials. Using computational methods to solve the quantum mechanics of crystalline solids from first principles, Dr. Rabe studies systems at or near structural, electronic and magnetic phase transitions, including ferroelectrics, antiferroelectrics, piezoelectrics, high-k dielectrics, multiferroics and shape-memory compounds. The high sensitivity of such materials to applied fields and stresses gives rise to functional behavior with a broad range of technological applications, including information and energy storage and conversion. Dr. Rabe has a particular interest in the properties of non-bulk structures stabilized in strained thin layers and the distinctive properties of interfaces in superlattices and other artificially structured systems, which are most efficiently explored by first-principles-based modeling. She has published more than 150 papers in the theoretical analysis and prediction of the structure and properties of materials, with successful application to the design of new functional materials. She was president of the Aspen Center for Physics from 2013-2016. Her professional recognitions include fellowship in the American Physical Society (2003), the David Adler Lectureship Award in Materials Physics from the American Physical Society (2008), fellowship in the American Association for the Advancement of Science (2011) and membership in the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2013).

SUSAN SINNOTT is a professor and department head of Materials Science and Engineering and a professor of Chemistry at Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Sinnott received her B.S. degree in chemistry from the University of Texas in 1987 and her Ph.D. in physical chemistry from Iowa State University in 1993. From there, she joined the Naval Research Laboratory, Surface Chemical Branch, in Washington D.C. as a National Research Council Post-Doctoral Associate until 1995. Dr. Sinnott then became an assistant professor in the Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering at the University of Kentucky through 2000 when she began her tenure at the University of Florida. There she was an associate professor of materials science and engineering until her promotion in 2005 to the rank of professor of materials science and

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particular application. Understanding the influence of composition and processing conditions on the resultant microstructure of polymers and how this determines the properties is the central part of his polymer morphology research. Professor Thomas is the recipient of the 1991 High Polymer Physics Prize of the American Physical Society and the 1985 American Chemical Society Creative Polymer Chemist Award. He was elected a fellow of the American Physical Society in 1986 and a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2003 and Inaugural Fellow of the Materials Society in 2008. In 2009, he was elected to both the National Academy of Engineering and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He coauthored the undergraduate textbook *The Structure of Materials* and a research monograph, *Periodic Materials: Photonics, Phononics and Mechanics*, and has published over 450 papers and holds 20 patents. Professor received a Ph.D. in materials science from Cornell University in 1974, and a B.S. in mechanical engineering and engineering science from the University of Massachusetts in 1969.

### **ARLTAB Chair**

JENNIE S. HWANG (NAE) is CEO of H-Technologies Group, and board trustee and distinguished adj. professor at Case Western Reserve University. Her career encompasses corporate and entrepreneurial businesses, international collaboration, research management, technology transfer and global leadership positions, as well as corporate and university governance. Among her many honors and awards are U.S. Congressional Certificates of Recognition; induction into International Hall of Fame –Women in Technology and Ohio Women Hall of Fame; named the R&D-Stars-to-Watch; Distinguished Alumni Awards; Honorary Doctoral degree; and YWCA Achievement Award. She was the CEO of International Electronic Materials Corp. and has held senior executive positions with Lockheed Martin Corp., Hanson, PLC and Sherwin-Williams Co. and co-founded entrepreneurial businesses. She is internationally recognized as a pioneer and long-standing leader in the infrastructure development of electronics miniaturization and green manufacturing. She has served as Global President of the Surface Mount Technology Association and in other global leadership positions. An international speaker and author of 475+ publications including several internationally-used books, she has lectured to tens of thousands of managers, engineers and researchers on professional development courses. Her speeches range from university commencement addresses to keynote at DoD Federal Women's Program to tutorials at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. She is also a prolific author and speaker on education, workforce, and social and business issues. Additionally, Dr. Hwang has served as a board director for Fortune 500 NYSE-traded and private companies and various university and civic boards, and on the International Advisory Board of the Singapore Advanced Technology and Manufacturing Institute and a number of international industry boards. On serving the National Academies, she chairs the Technical Assessment Board of Army Research Laboratory, and has served as NAE Membership Search Executive (Materials Section), National Materials and Manufacturing Board, DoD R&D Globalization Board, Committee on Forecasting Future Disruptive Technologies and NAE Award Committee, among others. She also has served as a reviewer for National Academies Reports and other national/international publications. Her formal education include Harvard University Executive Program, Columbia University Business School Governance Program, and four academic degrees (Ph.D., M.A., M.S., B.S.) in Materials Science and Metallurgical Engineering, Chemistry, and Liquid Crystal Science. The Dr. Jennie S. Hwang Award for Faculty Excellence was established at her Alma Mater. The Dr. Jennie S. Hwang YWCA Award is established in her honor, now for 17 years running, to encourage and recognize outstanding women students in STEM, Further info: [www.JennieHwang.com](http://www.JennieHwang.com).