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USNC/IUPAC Announces the 2019 Young Observers

The International Year of the Periodic Table of the Chemical Elements (IYPT 2019), proclaimed by the United Nations in recognition of the 150th anniversary of the discovery of the periodic system by Dmitri Mendeleev, coincides with the centennial of the founding of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC). Both milestones will be celebrated at the 50th IUPAC General Assembly and 47th World Chemistry Congress, to be held in Paris, France, on July 5-12, 2019. The U.S. National Committee for IUPAC is pleased to announce that the following individuals have been selected as 2019 Young Observers to attend the General Assembly and World Chemistry Congress:

- Blair Brettmann (Georgia Institute of Technology)
- Raychelle Burks (St. Edward's University)
- Christine Dunne (Cooley LLP)
- Wesley Farrell (United States Naval Academy)
- Jillian Goldfarb (Cornell University)
- Julissa González-Villegas (University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras)
- Danniebelle Haase (Dow Chemical Company)
- Adam Kiefer (Mercer University)
- Natalie LaFranzo (Cofactor Genomics, Inc.)
- Markita Landry (University of California, Berkeley)
- Melissa Pasquinelli (North Carolina State University)
- Elisa Tomat (University of Arizona)

About the YO Program

Established by the U.S. National Committee (USNC) for the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) in 1977 to foster interactions with internationally acclaimed scientists in various fields, the **IUPAC Young Observer Program** strives to introduce the work of IUPAC to a new generation of distinguished researchers and to provide them with an opportunity to address international science policy issues. The USNC supports the participation of U.S. Observers (citizens or permanent residents) under the age of 45 from industry, academia, and national laboratories in the IUPAC World Chemistry Congress and General Assembly, held every two years. To date, the program has supported more than 230 scientists, many of whom have served on IUPAC committees and projects and continue to participate in a variety of international activities in chemistry and allied fields.

The National Academy of Sciences is the U.S. adhering organization to IUPAC.

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