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We are Pleased to Present the Featured Guest Speakers for our February 4th Meeting:



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Special Considerations for Testing and Failure Analysis as Fiber Composites Move Into New Markets

Abstract

While the high-performance fiber-reinforced composites are benefitting from automation and economies of scale to bring down costs, other low-cost fiber materials have been moving into new markets, each of which poses challenges for materials testing and for failure analysis. Infrastructure – including field retrofitting of structures – is one of the industry's most visible new fields, with the potential for thousands of verification

tests – and many forensic analyses – each year. These projects occur in a wide array of conditions compared with the conditioned environment seen by factory-cured parts, and often use stitched and hand-mixed resins. At the same time, a wide array of thermoplastic systems, compounded with fiber reinforcement, has entered the injection molding market for many applications including down-hole applications. Testing and failure analysis of these systems includes all of the limitations of traditional FRP, with added problems for injection processes – mold filling/ voids, fiber orientation, thermal degradation and hydrolysis. Laboratories studying these new composite systems must have broad capability to analyze the system, the manufacturing process and the field environment together when characterizing materials.

Biography

Rob Demaree is the manager for Nonmetallic Chemistry at IMR Test Labs. Rob's group conducts polymer testing for material characterization, thermal and physical properties, contamination, cleanliness and failure analysis. Prior to IMR, Rob has held R&D positions in the fiber optic cabling and electrical laminate industries, and has worked in power generation. Rob Holds a BSME and an MS-Materials Science and Engineering, from Virginia Tech.

Dennis Prentice is the Engineering Supervisor for the Nonmetallic - Mechanical and Fatigue Depts. at IMR Test Labs. The groups are in charge of composite and polymer mechanical testing, as well as fatigue testing for all materials. Dennis has been with IMR for a little over 3 years. Prior to IMR, he worked at SEPAC, Inc as a Sales Engineer for custom manufactured electro-magnetic clutches and brakes. Dennis received a BS and ME in Mechanical Engineering from Rochester Institute of Technology. He is a voting member of the ASTM D 30 committee and is currently working towards his PE.

MEETING DETAILS

Place: Bridgewater Manor, Bridgewater, NJ; (908) 658-3000

Time: 5:45 - 8:30

Cost: \$15.00 Adv Registration; \$20.00 at Door; Students – Free This meeting is open to all SAMPE members, spouses, guests, and other interested parties

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November 5, 2015 – Joe Landolina, Suneris Technologies Inc.

December 3, 2015 – Aram Mekjian, Mektech Composites Inc.

February 4, 2016 – Dennis Prentice, Rob Demaree, IMR Test Labs

March 3, 2016 – Mary Shafer, Fabric Development

April 7, 2016 – Student Night + Nick Gianaris, Thermocore Inc.

May 5, 2016 – Delip Shah, A&C Catalysts, (tentative)

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