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**SEMINAR:** Dr. Howard Goodfellow, Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry, University of Toronto  
*Cleantech Opportunities for Combustion Industries Using Sensors/Process Control Models/Optimization*  
Tuesday, May 19, 2009, 10:10 a.m., Room 219, Wallberg Building, 200 College St.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **Congratulations:**

Professor Milica Radisic was named the winner of the 2009 Breaking the Glass Ceiling Award by the U. of T. Chapter of Women in Science and Engineering (WISE). The award is presented annually to a female researcher who not only leads in her field of research, but inspires the people around her. Professor Radisic was nominated by two of her students. The award was presented as part of WISE's annual general meeting. Congratulations Milica – well done!

### **Graduate Orals:**

Ph.D. DEPARTMENTAL ORAL – M. Conrad, Tuesday, May 19, 2009, 10:30 a.m., WB115  
Thesis Title: SYNTHESIS, CHARACTERIZATION AND THERMAL DECOMPOSITION OF HYBRID AND REVERSE FLUOROSILICONES  
Committee: Chair - T.P. Bender; Supervisor - M.S. Shoichet; Other Members - M.T. Kortschot and M. Winnik

Ph.D. Reading Committee – A. Abbasi, Wednesday, May 20, 2009, 10:00 a.m., WB115  
Research Topic: THEORETICAL AND NUMERICAL INVESTIGATION OF THERMODIFFUSION  
Committee: Chair - E.J. Acosta; Supervisors - M. Kawaji and Prof. Saghir; Other Member – S. Chandra

M.A.Sc. Bypass Oral Examination – S.Y. Kwon, Wednesday, May 20, 2009, 10:30 a.m., RS407(A)  
Research Topic: DIRECTED DIFFERENTIATION OF HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS TO CHONDROCYTES USING A TRANSCRIPTIONAL NETWORK APPROACH  
Committee: Chair - L.L. Diosady; Supervisors - W. Stanford and R. Kandel; Other Member - P. McCourt

### **Victoria Day:**

Monday, May 18, 2009 is the Victoria Day holiday. The University and all of its buildings will be closed on Monday. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday morning. Have a nice long weekend everyone!

### **Holiday Schedule 2009-2010:**

The holiday schedule for 2009-2010 has been set and it is as follows:

Canada Day	Wednesday, July 1, 2009
Civic Holiday	Monday, August 3, 2009
Labour Day	Monday, September 7, 2009
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 12, 2009
Christmas/New Year	Monday, December 21, 2009 to Friday, January 1, 2010 inclusive
Family Day	Monday, February 15, 2010
Good Friday	Friday, April 2, 2010
Victoria Day	Monday, May 24, 2010

### **Position Available:**

A postdoctoral fellow position is available at the Alberta Research Council in Edmonton, Alberta. This work is in collaboration with the Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry here at the University of Toronto. The topic: Chemo-enzymatic refining and upgrading of nanocellulose (NC) fibrils for the production of high-value materials from plant biomass. Further information on the position is available in Room 217. Candidates are invited to submit their resume to: Yaman Boluk (e-mail: [yaman.boluk@arc.ab.ca](mailto:yaman.boluk@arc.ab.ca); fax: (780)450-5397).