

**American Chemical Society Awards the
2008 Industrial Polymer Scientist Prize to S. Richard Turner**

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Dr. S. Richard Turner, a member of KensaGroup's Scientific Advisory Board, has been awarded the American Chemical Society's 2008 Industrial Polymer Science Prize for outstanding industrial innovation and creativity in the application of polymer science. The award, which consists of a plaque and a \$2000 honorarium, will be presented by the Division of Polymer Chemistry at the Fall National Meeting of the ACS in Philadelphia, PA.

Dr. Turner's research accomplishments have had major impact across a broad range of polymer science, ranging from novel polymers for new resist materials with enhanced thermal and etch performance characteristics to polymer nanocomposites for barrier enhancement. His work has resulted in over 100 U.S. patents, and has led to the development of useful new polymerization processes as well as unusual monomers and polymeric materials.

A graduate of Tennessee Technological University with both bachelors and masters degrees in Chemistry, Dr. Turner completed his Ph.D. degree in Organic-Polymer Chemistry at the University of Florida. After working at the Xerox Corporation Research Laboratories in Webster, New York, Dr. Turner moved to positions at Exxon Research and Engineering and the Corporate Research Laboratories at Eastman Kodak Company in Rochester, New York before joining the Polymers Research Division of Eastman Chemical Company where he was a Research Fellow. In 2004 Dr. Turner joined the faculty at Virginia Tech as Research Professor and Director of the Macromolecules and Interfaces Institute.

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