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M. Bonner Denton
University of Arizona

M. Bonner Denton is Professor of Chemistry at the University of Arizona. His multifaceted but strongly interlocking program ranges from new frontiers in mass, plasma emission, and Raman spectrometry through intelligent instrumentation. Denton is currently developing revolutionary new detection technology for mass and ion mobility spectrometry. Professor Denton received a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and a Bachelor of Arts from Lamar University in Beaumont, TX. He then attended the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, receiving his Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry. He was President of SAS, and serves as Associate Editor for *Applied Spectroscopy*.



Nicolò Omenetto
University of Florida

Nicolò Omenetto obtained his doctoral degree in chemistry (*Laurea*) from the University of Pavia, Italy in 1964. He was then appointed as Assistant Professor at the University of Pavia, Italy in 1969 and became Professor of Spectrochemistry (*Libera Docenza*) in 1971. He spent three years (1971-1973, 1978-1979) as Postdoctoral Associate at the University of Florida, working with Jim Winefordner. In 1979, he was appointed at the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission in Ispra, Italy until 2001, when he moved to the University of Florida, where he is currently Professor of Chemistry. The research interests of Dr. Omenetto have been directed towards the theory and applications of atomic and molecular methods of analysis. He has published over 200 papers and has given many invited talks at various international conferences.



Charles Wilkins
University of Arkansas

Charles Wilkins was born in Los Angeles on August 14, 1938 and attended school there until graduation in June, 1956. He attended Chapman College and graduated in 1961. Following a year at Arizona State University, he transferred to University of Oregon and was awarded the Ph.D. in Chemistry in 1966. After a post-doc at the University of California - Berkeley, Dr. Wilkins joined the University of Nebraska as an Assistant Professor of Chemistry and was promoted to Professor. In 1981 he moved to the University of California - Riverside as Distinguished Professor of Chemistry. In 1998, he moved to the University of Arkansas in his current appointment as Distinguished Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry.



Joel Harris
University of Utah
(with SAS President
Becky Dittmar, left)

Joel M. Harris received his B.S. degree from Duke University and a Ph.D. from Purdue University in 1976. That same year, he was appointed to the faculty of the University of Utah, where he has taught for the past 30 years. Harris' research has focused on analytical chemistry and spectroscopy of trace-level species in liquids and liquid/solid interfaces. He and his students have developed photothermal spectroscopy methods, multidimensional analysis of time-resolved spectroscopic data, and single-molecule counting techniques. They have pioneered surface-selective methods for investigating interfacial molecular transport, absorption, and binding in chemical analysis and separations. Harris is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and is currently Editor-in-Chief of *Applied Spectroscopy*.