International Center for Materials Research Summer School on **Topics in Biomaterials**

August 7 to August 23, 2005 University of California, Santa Barbara CA 93106 USA

The International Center for Materials Research (ICMR) is organizing a residential, two-week summer school on **Topics in Biomaterials** from August 7 to August 23, 2005. The school will take place on the UCSB campus. The emphasis of the school will be to introduce the field of Biomaterials, including important concepts and frontier research areas. Fundamentals will be emphasized.

Topics to be covered in the School include biomineralization, actin and molecular motors, synthetic proteins, nucleic acid architectures, and membrane/lipid structures. Lecturers who have agreed to participate include:

Joanna Aizenberg	Deborah Fygenson	Jean-François Joanny
Lucent Technologies	UCSB	Institut Curie
Michael Sheetz Columbia	David Tirrell Caltech	

In addition, a number of UCSB faculty will present seminars. Opportunities will also exist for participants to discuss their current research.

We welcome applications for the Summer School from graduate (PhD) students, post doctoral fellows and early career faculty. Participants are expected to be actively researching biomaterials. Travel costs will be reimbursed to the extent possible; typically to the order of US\$ 500 for US participants and US\$ 1000 for participants from elsewhere. Local hospitality, meals, and housing will be provided. Activities will commence with dinner on August 7, and end with breakfast on August 23.

How to apply: Applicants should follow application instructions presented on the ICMR website: http://www.icmr.ucsb.edu. For further details, please contact the ICMR Program Coordinator, Jennifer Ybarra, at ybarra@icmr.ucsb.edu

The deadline for application is March 15, 2005.

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