

Publisher's note



The publisher is pleased to welcome Professor Julian Eastoe to the editorial team of *Journal of Colloid and Interface Science* and would like to wish him much success with this new appointment.

Julian has been a full faculty member of the School of Chemistry, University of Bristol, UK, since 1993, prior to which he held the positions of lecturer at the University of Durham and physicist at the Institut Max-von-Laue Paul Langevin in Grenoble, France. He was awarded a Ph.D. in chemistry by the University of East Anglia in 1990.

In October 2002 Julian was made visiting professor in surfactant science at the China Research Institute for Daily Chemical Industry (RIDCI), Tai Yuan, China, and in December 2003 at the University of Wuhan and Zheng Zhou Institute for Chemistry. The lecture course delivered as a visiting professor served as the basis for the bilingual colloid science textbook titled *Surfactant Science*, which Julian published in 2004.

Julian's research focuses on surface and interfacial aspects of colloid science involving novel surfactants and polymers. His research group develops new functionalised surfactants employing molecular design, synthesis, NMR, and mass spectroscopy techniques. Tensiometric methods in addition to neu-

tron scattering methods are used to probe interfacial and self-assembly properties. This work is described in some 130 peer-reviewed publications authored or co-authored by Julian and in over 100 invited talks.

In 2000 Julian was appointed by the Irish Government Agency Enterprise to assess the first four-year phase of the Irish Centre for Colloids and Biomaterials. He also played a major role in securing new instrumentation for the Target Station II project at the ISIS facility Rutherford Appleton Laboratories and served on both the major international neutron beamtime allocation committees.

Julian was awarded the Clifford Wharton Prize for Excellence in Teaching in 1999 in recognition of his excellence in undergraduate and post-graduate teaching. In addition to acting as external examiner in physical chemistry at the University of Hull, UK, Julian has supervised 21 Ph.D. students and 6 post-doctoral researchers.

Julian is also active in science communication outside the university environment, regularly participating in school lectures and initiatives such as National Chemistry Week that encourage interest in science.