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Minutes of the Annual Meeting incl. General Assembly - 12.11.2003 Basel/Switzerland

1. Annual Meeting of the Polymer Group Switzerland/ Rheology Group in collaboration with Rheology and Colloid Science Group Basel, November 11, 2003 at 14:00, in Basel. Five oral presentations were delivered:

Ulrich A. Handge: Interplay of rheology and morphology in melt elongation and subsequent recovery of PS/PMMA blends
Véronique Trappe: Scaling in the rheology of low density jammed states
Marco Dressler: Thermodynamic Modeling of Polymer Blends and Emulsions with Droplet Morphology
David Megias-Alguacil: Droplet deformation under simple shear flow: Influence of surfactant present at the interface
Alan Parker: Texture profiling with the vane

About 25 person participated the annual meeting 2003. The next meeting will be in September 2003 at the nestle Research Center in Vers-Chez-les-Blanc. A exact date will be communicated.

2a. General Assembly of the Polymer Group Switzerland/ Rheology Group

At the general Assembly of the Polymer Group Switzerland/ Rheology Group Prof. Windhab gave a short summary of the group's activities that basically focused on participation of some member of the group on national and international meetings. Upcoming meetings were communicated to the members, such as the International Congress on Rheology in August 2004 in Seoul/Korea.

Prof. Oettinger reported on the financial situation of the group: the account decreased by 1018.91 CHF from 3347.41 to 2338.50 CHF on 30.9.2003. The increase is due to the society's subscription to Applied Rheology (2 issues sent to each member of the rheology group).

2b. Change in Committee of the Polymer Group Switzerland/ Rheology Group

Prof. Dr. Hans-Christian Öttinger communicated that he would like to retire from the committee. He suggested that Dr. Peter Fischer is taking over his duties as International Delegate and treasurer. In the following voting the suggesting was approved and Dr. Fischer agreed to join the Committee.

The General Assembly was closed at 17:50.