

# Mukaiyama Award

Administered by The Society of Synthetic Organic Chemistry, Japan

*Mukaiyama Award* was launched in 2005 by The Society of Synthetic Organic Chemistry, Japan (SSOCJ), to celebrate the 77th birthday of Professor Teruaki Mukaiyama who received the Order of Culture in 1997 from Japanese government for his outstanding contributions to synthetic organic chemistry and to commemorate his election in 2004 to the National Academy of Science, USA, as a foreign associate.

The purpose of the award is to recognize and encourage outstanding contributions to synthetic organic chemistry.

The award, which consists of \$5,000, a medallion, and a certificate, is bestowed every year upon an individual of 45 years old or younger, who has made outstanding contributions to synthetic organic chemistry. The awardee, selected by the award committee, shall deliver an award lecture at the Seminar on Synthetic Organic Chemistry where the award will be presented.

*The Winners of the Award for the award year 2013* are **Professor Dr. Benjamin List** and **Professor Kenichiro Itami**.



**Professor Benjamin List**

Managing Director of the Max-Planck-Institut für Kohlenforschung and Honorary Professor at the University of Cologne, Germany

*Contributions; List's discovery that amines such as the amino acid proline are general catalysts for asymmetric synthesis has initiated the field of organocatalysis, which is currently revolutionizing chemical synthesis in academia and in industry.*

**Professor Kenichiro Itami**

Department of Chemistry, Graduate School of Science, Nagoya University, Japan



*Contributions; the development of new catalysts to solve challenging problems for realizing super-efficient synthesis, such as C-H coupling, and for producing unexplored molecules of significant interest, such as carbon nanorings/nanotubes and nanographenes.*

The members of the Mukaiyama Award Committee for the award year 2013 are as follows:

Junichi Yoshida\*  
Takahide Nishi  
Kazuhiko Takai

Shunichi Hashimoto  
Makoto Sasaki

Tamio Hayashi  
Keisuke Suzuki  
\*Chairman

## Call for Nominations for the Award Year 2014

(Deadline: August 1, 2013)

Any individual may nominate one individual for the award year 2014. The nomination form can be downloaded from the SSOCJ web site at

<http://www.ssocj.jp/indexenglish.html>

The pertinent documents are retained on file for

three award years. The nominations deadline for the award year 2014 is August 1, 2013.

While submission of the nomination form by e-mail to [support@ssocj.or.jp](mailto:support@ssocj.or.jp) is preferred, submission by regular mail is also accepted.



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