



118th ALCA Annual Convention

May 21–24, 2024

Hershey Lodge, Hershey PA. USA

Technical Program starting Wednesday, May 22

John Arthur Wilson Memorial Lecture

By Panos Mytaros, CEO, ECCO Group

Other Papers to be Presented on Wednesday and Thursday

New Method for Producing Leather by Dr. Benjamin Autenrieth, - Trumpler GmbH & Co. KG Chemische Fabrik, Germany

Media Obsession with Leather and Market Trends by Jacquelyn Smith, - Pangea Made, Inc., Rochester Hills, MI

Developments biobased chemicals, using LCA & LCC assessments by Ricardo Pasqual - GSC Group, Vicenza, Italy

Interaction between zeolites(read Zeology) and collagen by Dr. Wouter Hendriksen, - Smit & Zoon, Netherlands
Tannery Rending - a sustainable opportunity for leather makers. by Dr. Detrich Tegtmeier - TFL, Germany

Partnering with chemical suppliers to achieve zero hazardous chemicals in leather products. - Camille Mori -
Chief Sustainability Officer @ Prime Asia Company

Automotive Leather: Opportunities and Challenges to Sustainability - Roger Pinto - Product Development @
Pangea Made, Inc - Rochester Hills, MI

Tracibility and Sustainability - Deborah Taylor, Managing Director - Sustainable Leather Foundation

"A comparative survey of the behavior of basifying agents in chrome-tanning processes". by Olga Ballus -
Cromogenia

Organic-Silicone Hybrid Polymers by Pete LeBaron, PhD. - Global Head of TS&D CHT USA

Innovative Modified Natural Tannins for Ecofriendly Leather - Valentina Beghetto, Professor - University of
Venice

Enhancing Leather Haptics through Sustainable Chemistry by Myron Hooks & Tim Roggow, R&D - Dow -
Collegeville, PA

Collagen and Keratin Biopolymers - Modifications and Possibilities for their Applications, by Prof. Ing. Jan
Sedlichik, Phd. - Technical University in Zvolen

Issues and Developments affecting the Hide and Leather Industry, by Steve Sothmann - DTB AgriTrade LLP
State of the Industry - focus on trends, by Gary Raines, FDRA

Sustainability leads to progressive detoxing of leather chemicals, by Dr. Roberta Gamarino R&D Manager-
Stahl Italy s.r.l.

Katie Kutskill - KD Consulting

Greg Thoma, PhD., AgNext, Colorado State

Schedule Overview

Tuesday, May 21

Council Meeting including Hotel Staff	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Empire D
Sign in @ golf course for golfers	10:30 AM	East Course
Golf Tournament	11:30 AM - 5:00 PM	East Course
Registration and packet pick up	4:30 PM - 5:45 PM	Confection Hall Level Lobby
Opening Reception	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Wild Rose
Dinner	7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Magnolia

Wednesday, May 22

LHCA Exec Committee Meeting	7:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Wild Rose
Editorial Board Meeting	7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Cocco
Registration	8:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Confection Hall Level Reg Desk
Opening Address	8:45 AM - 9:00 AM	
John Arthur Wilson Memorial Lecture	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	
Break	10:00 AM - 10:25 AM	Confection Hall
1st Session Technical Papers	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	
Lunch	12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	
2nd Session Technical Papers	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	
Break	3:00 PM - 3:15 PM	Confection Hall
3rd Session Technical Papers		
LHCA Board Meeting open to all	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	
Fun Run	4:45 PM - 5:30 PM	
Cocktails	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	
Dinner	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	
Entertainment	8:00 PM - 11:00 PM	

Thursday, May 23

Old and New Council Meeting	7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	
LHCA LRL Bord Meeting	7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	
4th Session Technical Papers	8:45 AM - 10:15 AM	
Break	10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	Confecttion Hall
5th Session Technical Papers	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	
Lunch	12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	
6th Session Technical Papers	1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	
Break	2:30 PM - 2:55 PM	Confecttion Hall
7th Session Technical Papers	3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	
Cocktails	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	
ALCA Awards Banquet	7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	

Friday, May 24

Departure	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	
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