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THE BIRTH AND GROWTH OF LATEX PARTICLES

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### **DONALD HAROLD NAPPER 1937 –**

**Donald Harold Napper** was born on 23 December 1937 in Sydney. After secondary education at Parramatta High School he studied at the University of Sydney, graduating B.Sc. (1st. Class Hons.) in 1958, and M.Sc. in 1960. With a Colonial Sugar Refining Scholarship he proceeded to Kings College Cambridge, where he worked under the supervision of Professor Ron Ottewill on light scattering of silver bromide particles, and graduated Ph.D. in 1963. For the period 1963-66 he was a Research Officer at the CSR Research Laboratories, Roseville (N.S.W.), and in 1966 he was appointed as Lecturer in Chemistry at the University of Sydney. During 1968-1969 he held a Queen Elizabeth II Research Fellowship in that Department and then continued as Lecturer until promotion to Senior lecturer in 1972. In 1976 he became Associate Professor and in 1985 was appointed as Professor of Physical Chemistry. For the periods 1983-84 and 1990-92 he was Head of the School of Chemistry. In 1997 he was appointed Pro Vice-Chancellor and Head, College of Sciences and Technology at the University of Sydney. His main research interest has been in the chemistry of polymers and colloids, and his book "Polymeric Stabilisation of Colloidal Dispersions was published in 1983. During a period of study leave in 1976 he was a Fulbright Scholar at Stanford University; and in 1982 he was Visiting professor at the University of Bristol.

Don Napper was Chairman of the Polymer Division of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute (RACI) for the period 1984-1986, Vice-President of the International Association of Colloid and Surface Science (1989-1992), and President of the Royal Society of New South Wales in 1979-80.

#### **Honours and Awards (Pre 2001)**

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| 1973 | Edgeworth David Medal, Royal Society of New South Wales   |
| 1978 | FRACI (Fellow of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute)   |
| 1984 | Liversidge Research Lecture, Royal Society of New South Wales   |
| 1984 | Archibald Ollé Prize, RACI  |
| 1987 | FAA   |
| 1987 | Polymer Medal, RACI   |
| 1994 | Gold Medal for Excellence in Research, Australian Institute of Nuclear Science and Engineering (AINSE). |

#### **Biographical Source**

1. Personal communication
2. *Who's Who in Australia 2000*, Information Australia Group Pty Ltd, Melbourne.

## Scientific Publications of D.H. Napper

A list of the scientific publications of D.H. Napper was not made available.

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