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GREG OLSON RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED SCIENTIST/ENGINEER AWARD



Evanston, IL, March 24, 2004 – Gregory B. Olson, Sc.D., Chief Science Officer of QuesTek Innovations LLC, has received the Structural Materials Division Distinguished Scientist/Engineer Award from The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society (TMS) for

“Advances in the physical metallurgy of steel, as well as the development of the science of *Materials by Design*[®] and its application to industrial practice.” The award, established in 1996, recognizes an individual who has made a long-standing contribution to the fundamental understanding of microstructure, properties, and performance of structural materials for industrial applications.



Gregory Olson, is the Wilson-Cook Professor of Engineering Design at Northwestern University. His career accomplishments include: founder and director of Northwestern’s Steel Research Group and Materials Technology Laboratory; associate director, Institute for Design Engineering & Applications; and a founder and Chief Science Officer, QuesTek Innovations LLC—the first Computational Materials Design Company. An author of over 200 publications, Prof. Olson’s honors include: fellow of TMS and ASM, and ASM Alpha Sigma Mu Lecturer. His awards include the ISS-AIME Tennenbaum Award, the

Department of Defense’s SERDP Pollution Prevention Award for the computational design and development of *Ferrium*[®] S53, and the Sun-Times Chicago Innovation Award for QuesTek Innovations. In accepting the award, Prof. Olson stated that “It is a privilege to aid TMS in the transmutation of our discipline from engineering science to scientific engineering.”

The computational design of materials, particularly at nanoscale levels, is an emerging technology, and Prof. Olson’s research has made QuesTek Innovations one of the foremost leaders in the exciting new field. For more information on QuesTek Innovations and its *Materials by Design* technology, visit the Company’s website at www.questek.com.