pulses in solid-state materials and their use in studying physical phenomena that occur in the femtosecond regime. Invited speakers will discuss various mechanisms for additive pulse-mode locking and new approaches to ultrafast pulse generation and amplification.

Another area of increasing importance is the use of lasers for research and clinical treatment in the medical and biological sciences. The CLEO meeting will devote nine invited talks to this topic.

## Awards session

At the joint plenary session on Monday afternoon, OSA and LEOS will honor several scientists for their outstanding research. OSA's Charles Hard Townes Award, which is given each year for work in quantum optics,

will be presented to Elias Snitzer, a professor of ceramic science and engineering and a staff member of the fiber optics materials research program at Rutgers University. Snitzer is cited for "pioneering contributions to solid-state lasers and fiberoptics, in particular the neodymium- and erbium-glass lasers, the first fiberoptic laser and for innovative contributions to fiberoptic amplifiers and fiberoptic lasers."

In the early days of laser research, glass was not considered a promising candidate for lasers. Snitzer helped dispel this notion when he demonstrated a neodymium-glass laser in 1961. Then in 1964 he and Charles Koester developed the first fiberoptic laser, also made from neodymium glass. The following year Snitzer and Richard Woodcock developed the erbium-glass laser, which in recent years

has found a new use as an amplifier for fiberoptic telecommunication.

Snitzer received a PhD in physics from the University of Chicago in 1953. From 1959 to 1977 he was a researcher at the American Optical Corporation, and from 1977 to 1984 he worked at United Technology Corporation's Research Center. From 1984 to 1989 he directed fiberoptics research at the Polaroid Corporation. He then joined Rutgers.

Also at the plenary session, LEOS will present its Quantum Electronics Award, and newly elected fellows of OSA and LEOS will be recognized. This year's session includes four plenary speakers: Richard R. Freeman of AT&T Bell Laboratories will speak on new applications of soft x-ray optics; Chester Gardner of the University of Illinois, who is giving the Robert V.

# Invited Speakers and Their Session Titles

## **MONDAY 13 MAY**

#### morning

Optical Modulators. L. M. Johnson, M. Izutsu

Optical Logic. S. Yamakoshi

Microlenses and Laser Damage. C. Zanowin

Ultrashort Pulse Generation in Solid-State Lasers: Novel Mode-Locking Mechanisms. H. Haus

Laser Spectroscopy I. D. A. Redman

Dynamics of Surfaces. P. Guyot-Sionnest, J. A. Prybyla

Surfaces and Submicron Surfaces. D. Aspnes, S. F. Alvarado, M. S. Isaacson

Vertical Cavity Devices. A. Von Lehman

Stimulated Brillouin Scattering. W. T. Whitney

KTP and Semiconductor Quantum Structures. J. Bierlein, E. M. Dianov

Ultrashort Pulse Generation in Solid-State Lasers: Novel Approaches. G. Sucha, Y. Ishida, F. Krausz

Laser Spectroscopy II. A. V. Smith, J. Thomas

Surfaces and Interfaces. H. Walther

Tunneling in Semiconductor Microstructures. K. Leo, C. R. Leavens, L. Eaves

#### afternoon

Joint Plenary and Awards Ceremony. A. Tonomura, C. Gardner, R. R. Freeman, W. Veldkamp

## **TUESDAY 14 MAY**

## morning

Strained Layer GaAs Lasers. *M. Okayasu* Femtosecond Optical Techniques. *J. P. Heritage* Photonic Circuits/Systems. *T. Koch*  SHG in Fibers I. *B. Ya. Zel'dovich, D. Z. Anderson*Optical Nonlinearities of Semiconductor Particles in Glasses. *D. Cotter*Lasers in Biology. *B. J. Hudson, R. M. Hochstrasser*Photonic Band Structure. *E. Yablonovitch, K. M. Ho*Visible Semiconductor Lasers. *T. Suzuki*Biomedical Imaging. *J. Reintjes*Beam Smoothing Techniques for Fusion Lasers. *J. M. Soures*SHG in Fibers II. *D. A. Weinberger, V. M. Churikov*Spectroscopy of Transient Species. *T. Miller, K. R. Leopold* 

Physics of Spontaneous Emission. F. De Martini, R. K. Chang

## afternoon

Symposium on Photorefractive Keratectomy. C. Puliafito, D. Muller, C. Munnerlyn

Optically Controlled Power Switches/Optical Memory. F. J. Zutavern

Ultrafast Probes of Phonons. H. Kurz, M. S. Dresselhaus

Cavity QED. B. Haroche

Ultrafast Electro-Optic Sampling. W. Kutt

Medical Diagnostics and Fiber Optics. R. Richards-Kortum

Photonic Switching. Y. Kaminow, I. Bennion

Symposium on Solid-State Laser Materials. G. Huber, B. Chai

Waveguide Frequency Conversion Devices II. H. Suche

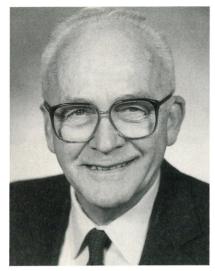
Nonlinear Wave Propagation. D. Strickland, D. R. Anderson

High-Intensity Laser Physics I. S. E. Harris, D. J. Gauthier, J. Javanainen

## **WEDNESDAY 15 MAY**

## morning

Photodetectors. K. Zanio, Y. G. Wey
Terawatt to Petawatt Lasers. C. K. Rhodes, A. A. Mak



**Elias Snitzer** 

Pole Memorial Lecture, will speak on applications of high-power lasers in mesospheric remote sensing and astronomy; Akira Tonomura of Hitachi will discuss applications of holographic electron interferometry; and Wilfrid B. Veldkamp of MIT Lincoln Laboratory will describe the use of binary optics in new imaging sensors.

## Short courses and services

A number of half-day courses will be offered on Sunday, 12 May, and Tuesday, 14 May, at the Baltimore Convention Center. The 23 courses are intended for engineers and technical managers who wish to explore new technologies. Those interested in taking one of the courses are encouraged to preregister with OSA; there will also be on-site registration for courses that are not already full.

Representatives from 400 companies that produce and supply laser and electro-optic equipment will display their wares at the CLEO-QELS technical exhibition in the Baltimore Convention Center; the exhibition is being organized by OSA. The technical sessions will break from 10 am to noon

on Wednesday to give attendees the chance to visit the exhibit. The exhibit hall will be open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am to 5 pm and Thursday from 10 am to 4 pm. The CLEO exhibit will also feature a series of demonstrations and lectures highlighting new products and applications; schedules will be available on site.

OSA will operate a press room at the Baltimore Convention Center, Room 313, during the following hours: Monday to Thursday, 8:30 am to 5:30 pm; and Friday, 8:30 am to 1 pm. An employment center will be open in Room 314 Monday through Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm and Friday from 9 am to 1 pm. Job candidates are encouraged to submit their resumes at the center; interviews will be arranged between interested employers and job applicants.

Semiconductor Laser Arrays I. A. Partovi
Semiconductor Laser Arrays II. D. F. Welch
Cooling and Trapping I. V. Balykin, M. Zhu
Quantum Noise in Optical Propagation. R. Shelby, B. Yurke
Nonlinearities in Organics I. G. K. Wong, C. P. Yakymyshyn

## afternoon

Symposium on Optical Imaging. *S. Svanberg, K. G. Spears, H. Inaba* Inertial Confinement Fusion. *J. D. Kilkenny*Phase Conjugate Lasers and Devices. *A. Leshchev*High-Speed Semiconductors Lasers. *Y. K. Chen*Cooling and Trapping II. *A. Aspect, P. S. Julienne*Novel Magneto-Optics in Semiconductors. *J. B. Stark, D. E. Heiman*Clusters. *R. Smalley, R. Whetten*Nonlinear Wave Mixing and Spectroscopy. *D. Steel*Chemical and CO<sub>2</sub> Lasers. *N. A. Generalov*Photorefractive Applications. *S. I. Stepanov*Gas Phase Chemical Dynamics. *T. R. Rizzo, B. Bohac*Squeezed Light. *P. Kumar, W. Richardson*Nonlinearities in Organics II. *J. S. Meth, W. E. Moerner* 

#### **THURSDAY 16 MAY**

## morning

Coherent Techniques. Y. Chung
Laser Diagnostics and Spectroscopy. J. M. Harris
Novel Solid-State Lasers. N. Andreev
Vertical Cavity Lasers. L. Coldren, J. Jewell
High-Intensity Laser Physics II. H. Helm, M. Pont
Surface Chemistry. A. Zewail, A. Harris, J. C. Stephenson
Combustion and Flow Diagnostics. R. B. Miles
Micro and Vertical Cavity Semiconductor Lasers. J. J. Zayhowski
High-Intensity Laser Physics III. M. D. Perry, J. H. Eberly
Fundamental Problems. C. Weiman, E. Commins

#### afternoon

Electron-Beam-Pumped Gas Lasers. *P. J. M. Peters, T. T. Perkins*Amplified Transmission Systems. *S. Yamamoto*Laser Applications and Sensing I. *P. Cielo, W. P. Leung*Guided Wave Lasers. *M. Monerie*Vertical Cavity and Quantum-Confined Semiconductor Lasers. *K. Vahala, E. Kapon*New Semiconductor Materials Systems. *J. Hegarty*High-Intensity Laser Physics IV. *C. Rhodes, N. H. Burnett*Symposium on Stabilized Lasers I. *M. Zhu, J. Kimble, S. N. Labinskii*Free Electron Lasers and Optical Cavities. *D. R. Shoffstall*High-Speed Lightwave Components. *M. C. Wu*Laser Applications and Sensing II. *R. O. Claus*Erbium-Doped Guided Wave Devices. *R. Brinkman*Laser Processing in Optoelectronics and Other Novel Applications. *R. Osgood* 

Symposium on Stabilized Lasers II. M. Ohtsu, M. G. Boshier, D. Meschede

## FRIDAY 17 MAY

Nonlinear Optics. S. C. Rand

## morning

Ocean Optics Remote Sensing. R. N. Swift
Semiconductor Lasers for Communications. M. Okai
Pulse Generation and Propagation in Fibers. P. V. Mamyshev
Excitons. W. Bron, A. Mysyrowicz
Excimer Laser Ablation. C. E. Otis
Space Systems for Remote Sensing. L. Gusev
Optical Amplifiers. N. A. Olsson
Terahertz Spectroscopy I. B. I. Green
Nonlinear Spectroscopy. A. M. Weiner
Nonlinear Optics in Fibers. E. M. Dianov
Laser Applications in Microelectronics. K. Toyoda
Optical Parametric Oscillators. C. L. Tang
Turbulence and Polarization in Optical Propagation. V. I. Tatarskii, S. Flatte
Raman, Brillouin and Rayleigh Scattering Process. M. S. Mangir

Dynamics of Photorefractive Systems. D. Anderson

Nonlinearities in Semiconductors. J. E. Sipes, E. Garmire