Analytical workshop invitation:
Analytical challenges with environmental testing of polymers and other difficult chemistries

On behalf of the CEFIC iTAP Research Team, I would like to extend this invitation to you to attend a workshop on **"Analytical challenges with environmental testing of polymers and other difficult chemistries"**. This workshop is a companion to the SETAC NA 2019 session titled "*Environmental Considerations for the Risk Assessment of Polymers, Rubber and Macroplastics: State of the Science*" (co-chairs – Hans Sanderson/Scott Belanger). The workshop is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 5, 11:30am-1pm (Room 703 SETAC NA Meeting site. The room is available at 11am, but please pick up lunch in advance.)**. This workshop is intended for knowledge sharing on the state of the science on analytical methods for quantitation of water-soluble polymers (microplastics will not be discussed) and other difficult chemistries studied in environmental fate and effects testing.

The purpose of this workshop is: 1) To provide a 'prospective review' of published and yet unpublished analytical approaches for polymers and other similar and difficult to analyze materials in the context of environmental safety testing (e.g. nanomaterials; UVCBs); 2) General challenges with water-soluble polymers – limitations of historical methods; 3) Feasibility of a universal approach/instrumentation that is accessible to CROs/academics/industry/government?

We will talk about challenges and brainstorm on potential avenues and solutions specific to polymers. Attendees will be able to share insights from other difficult to analyze materials that may benefit others in learning about new directions and approaches for polymers and other difficult chemistries to inform safety assessments.

Please contact Monica Lam (lam.m.12@pg.com) by Nov 1, 2019 to notify of your interest in attending for headcount purposes.

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