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January Section Meeting: From
Laboratory Curiosities to
Commercial Powder Processing
Plants - Persistence in the Face of
Adversity (A Personal Perspective)

Excerpts will be taken from this open access paper published in Powder Technology (https://doi.org/10.1016/j.powtec.2023.11827 2) as personal examples for how to overcome professional/personal barriers along the way as novel technologies are commercialized. The paths from laboratory curiosities to commercial powder processing plants had many obstacles to overcome and many forks and bends in the road. One example is from industry and one is from academia.

## **January Section Meeting**

**Topic:** From Laboratory Curiosities to

Commercial Powder Processing Plants - Persistence in the Face of Adversity (A Personal Perspective)

**Speaker:** Dr. Al Weimer

**Date:** Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>

#### TWO RSVP OPTIONS THIS MONTH

#### **#1 IN-PERSON MEETING**

**Location:** University of CO Boulder

3415 Colorado Avenue Jennie Smoly Caruthers

Biotechnology Bldg, Room A115

**Time:** 5:30 Dinner

6:00 Introduction6:05 Career Discussion6:15 Presentation

7:15 Q&A

**Cost:** Free, Sponsored by local section

#### **#2 ONLINE ZOOM CALL**

**Time:** 6:00 Zoom Call

**Cost:** Free; After you register, you will

receive instructions via email for

joining the meeting.

#### TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETING: Send an

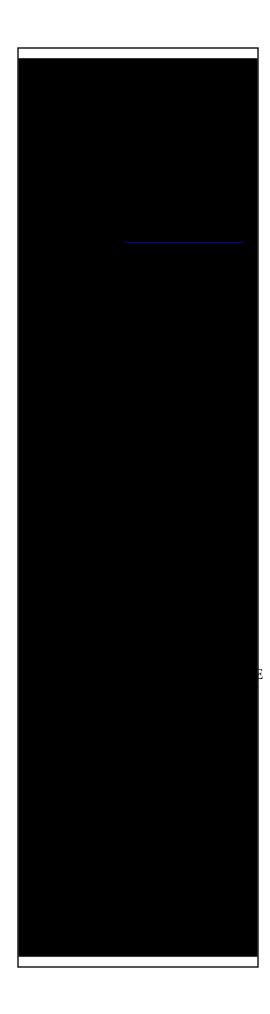
email to <u>rockyaiche@gmail.com</u> by Jan 24<sup>th</sup> indicating (a) if you are attending IN-PERSON or ONLINE, (b) your name, (c) your membership status of student, AIChE member or non-member. Early registration appreciated. Details on <u>wepage</u>.

### Speaker Biography:

Al Weimer is Clark Professor of Chemical Engineering at CU Boulder. He is an industry to academic transitional faculty member, having worked over 16 years with the Dow Chemical before moving to CU in 1996. He has been named Inventor of the Year at both Dow and CU and received both

He has multiple AIChE and Dept. of Energy Awards including the PTF Lifetime Achievement Award. He is a member of the National Academy of Inventors, is named Inventor on 46 issued U.S. Patents and has published 240 peer-reviewed papers. He currently leads a research team (<a href="https://www.colorado.edu/lab/weimer/">https://www.colorado.edu/lab/weimer/</a>) of 14 Ph.D. students, Postdoctoral and undergraduate student researchers.

#### **NEED**



## **MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Rocky Mountain Local Section (RMLS) of AIChE generally meets once a month, September through May.