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## Keynote Speakers

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**Michael S. Silverstein** is the Sherman–Gilbert Chair in Energy at the Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, and is the Chairman of the Technion's Interdisciplinary Program in Polymer Engineering. He is presently investigating a wide variety of porous polymer systems. Silverstein, an ACS Fellow and an Honorary Fellow of the Israel Polymers and Plastics Society, co-edited the book

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