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# Call for Presentations

## Michael E. Beard Conference

April 4-5, 2019  
Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel  
Denver, CO

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D22 on Air Quality

### About the Event

The Michael E. Beard Conference: Asbestos and Fibrous Minerals Analysis and Research will be held Thursday and Friday, April 4-5, 2019. Sponsored by ASTM Committee D22 on Air Quality, the conference will be held at the Sheraton Denver Downtown in Denver, CO.

### Objective

This meeting is a two-day set of presentations on asbestos topics of interest to those who work in laboratories, those who use laboratory analytical data, and those who need to understand how to interpret asbestos analytical results. The objective of this meeting is to encourage the presentation of the most recent work in the field and to allow open and frank discussion of new ideas and possible interpretation of the data. Thus no proceedings from the conference will be published.

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### Topics

The conference will be divided into four topic sessions:

1. Asbestos Definitions and Terminology: Toward an Accurate, Relevant, and Cohesive Understanding
2. Natural Occurrences of Asbestos, Erionite, Taconite, and Other Elongate Mineral Particles of Health Concern: Sampling and Analytical Challenges
3. The New Paradigm of Asbestos Analysis: Asbestos Commercial Analytical Issues and Asbestos Research Analytical Issues
4. Advancing the Quality and Efficiency of Laboratory Asbestos/Mineral Analysis: Training, Equipment, Information Management, and Techniques.

### Abstract Submission

The Conference Co-Chairs are soliciting presentations to fill the program. Each presentation slot is 20 minutes long and includes 5 minutes for discussion. Those interested in giving a presentation in one of the sessions listed above, should submit a short abstract using the abstract submittal form, available on the conference website, to Owen Crankshaw (Owen@CrankshawScientific.com) **by Friday, August 15, 2018**, to be considered.