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## The 16th KONA Award

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Dr. Kikuo Okuyama, Professor of Hiroshima University, was selected as the winner of the 16th KONA Award, which is sponsored by Hosokawa Powder Technology Foundation and given to the scientists or groups who have achieved distinguished research works in the field of particle science and technology.

Dr. Okuyama is Professor in the Department of Chemical Engineering, and vice dean in the Graduate School of Engineering at Hiroshima University. He received BS (1971) and MS (1973) degrees in chemical engineering from Kanazawa University, and he received Doctor of Engineering (1978) in chemical engineering at University of Osaka Prefecture. His research has touched many aspects of aerosol science and technology, from fundamental

investigations into the dynamic behavior of aerosols to the development of advanced aerosol measurement equipment with a recent focus on materials synthesis using aerosol techniques. Professor Okuyama has engaged in a number of national projects concerning particle contamination during semiconductor processing, materials synthesis by aerosol routes, and investigations of atmospheric aerosols. Professor Okuyama has received numerous honors and awards, including the Fuchs Memorial Award of the International Aerosol Research Assembly in 2002.

On January 29, 2007, Mr. Masuo Hosokawa, President of the Foundation, handed the 16th KONA Award to Professor Okuyama at the ceremony of presentation held at Senri Hankyu Hotel in Osaka.

