



The Sharpless Citation for Chemical Breakthrough Award was presented to the Department of Chemistry, Stanford University, on Monday, November 17, 2008. This was a part of the regular award program to acknowledge student and faculty honors including scholarships and other awards. Receiving the plaque are (on right) Dr. Richard Zare, Chair of Stanford's Chemistry Department, and (center) Dr. James Coleman, who was a contemporary of Sharpless at Stanford during the time that the cited work was done. Before the presentation, Dr. Jan Hayes (on the left) explained to the assembled group the history and place of the citation program in the ACS and HIST. After the presentation, Dr. Coleman shared with the group some of the stories of working with Dr. Sharpless as a colleague.

---Jan Hayes, 2009 HIST Division Chair

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The Sharpless Citation for Chemical Breakthrough Award plaque at Stanford University is seen directly above the plant in the corner of this conference area. It is on display in the main lobby of the Seeley G. Mudd Chemistry Building at Stanford University. The gentleman in the photo at the left is Seeley G. Mudd (1895 – 1968). Mudd was an American professor where he did cancer research, first at Caltech and then at the School of Medicine at the University of Southern California. He contributed more than \$10 million to private colleges and universities including Stanford University. The two plaques to the right of the photograph acknowledge that the Seeley G. Mudd Chemistry Building was named in his honor on March 11, 1977 and also lists the donors who contributed to the construction of the building.