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# Soft Matters



## Max Planck Speakers:

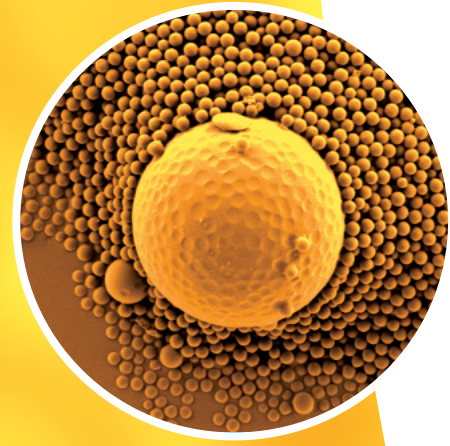
Andreas Fery  
Peter Fratzl  
Jan Kierfeld  
Dirk Kurth  
Helmut Möhwald  
Helmut Schlaad  
Thomas Weikl

## LRSM Speakers:

Hai-Lung Dai  
Dennis Discher  
Daniel Hammer  
Paul Janmey  
Michael Klein  
Tom Lubensky  
Arjun Yodh

## Other Speakers:

Alexander Bershadsky  
(Weizmann Institute)  
Josef Käs  
(Leipzig University)  
Helmut Ringsdorf  
(Mainz University)



Classical fluids, liquid crystals, polymers, colloids, emulsions, membranes, cells and tissues distort easily in response to external forces, and are representative of what are now identified as soft materials. The aim of this symposium is to bring together representatives from the University of Pennsylvania and the Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces to discuss Soft Matters. In order to encourage bilateral projects and activities, Dr. Berthold Neizert, head of the office of foreign relations at the administrative headquarters of the Max Planck Society, will give a talk on May 12 on funding possibilities for EU-US collaborations. Participation of other members of the Potsdam and Berlin area and broader soft materials community will be encouraged through informal discussions and a poster session on May 13.

For more information on schedule and registration, please visit our website

[www.mpikg-golm.mpg.de/softmatters03/](http://www.mpikg-golm.mpg.de/softmatters03/)



**Organizers:** Reinhard Lipowsky, Ulrich Schwarz, Arjun Yodh

**Date:** May 12 & 13, 2003

**Time:** 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

**Place:** Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces  
Am Mühlenberg, 14476 Golm



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