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Nobel Price Winner in chemistry gives lecture in Nacka

On Wednesday at 9.15 Professor Harry Kroto, Nobel Price in chemistry 1996, will visit the Young Business Creatives Gymnasium in Nacka, where he will give a lecture to the students on Sustainability, Science and Society. AkzoNobel was invited to sponsor the event and so will have a unique opportunity to exchange experiences.

– It is very important that we continue to have a dialogue with the most recognized experts within our field and with future chemists. This event enables us to do both which is exciting, says Peter Herder, R&D Manager Casco Adhesives, AkzoNobel.

Harry Kroto will share his broad knowledge within architecture in nano space. Later during the day he will also meet researchers at AkzoNobel in Nacka to exchange experiences.

Professor Kroto was born in 1939 in Cambridgeshire, Eastern England. Together with the colleagues Robert Curl and Richard Smalley he was awarded the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1996 for the discovery and very first synthesis of so called fullerenes: two new forms of carbon where the carbon atoms are placed in closed spherical shells or ordered in tubes. A fullerene has a hollow structure of carbon atoms. The most famous one – first prepared by Kroto - is the buckminsterfullerenen which consists of 60 carbon atoms, shaped in five or six crystalline forms like a soccer ball. One other famous fullerene type is the carbon nano tubes (CNT). Further fullerenes have later been discovered.

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