A Career in Corrosion Control

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Inspector Protector and the Colossal Corrosion Fighters



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WHAT IS CORROSION?

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PIPE MILL STEEL PIPE **REFINING PROCESS = Adds energy**

CORROSION PROCESS = Returns to lowest-energy state



Potential Energy, Thermodynamics, and Timmy



Sisyphus (Greek mythology)

- King of the city of Corinth
- Punished for deceitfulness and for believing he was more clever than Zeus himself
- He was doomed to roll an immense boulder up a hill, only to watch it roll back down, and to repeat this action forever



WHY IS CORROSION CONTROL IMPORTANT?

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The United States Cost of Corrosion Study





ANACE INTERNATIONAL THE CORROSION SOCIETY



Highway Bridges **Gas and Liquid Transm. Pipelines** □ Waterways and Ports **Hazardous Materials Storage** ■ Airports Railroads Gas Distribution Drinking Water and Sewer Systems Electrical Utilities Telecommunication □ Motor Vehicles **Ships** Aircraft Railroad Cars **Hazardous Materials Transport** Oil and Gas Expl.and Production □ Mining **Petroleum Refining** Chem., Petrochem., Pharm. **Pulp and Paper** Agricultural **Food Processing Electronics** Home Appliances **Defense** ■ Nuclear Waste Storage



WHY ELSE IS CORROSION CONTROL IMPORTANT?

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Guadalajara Sewer Explosions



Mianus River Bridge



Aloha Airlines Flight 243



Maltese Tanker MV Erika



Prudhoe Bay – Alaska North Slope



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WHAT DOES A CAREER IN CORROSION CONTROL LOOK LIKE?

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Typical Corrosion Engineer



Careers in Corrosion Control

Pros

- All the free pens & baseball hats you could ever want
- You are not expected to spend a lot of money on your wardrobe
- Your goals are to fight the good fight, protecting people, property and the environment
- These goals are for the good in the long run

Cons

- Doomed to a life of futility and hard labor
- Your colleagues are not going to win any bestdressed awards either
- The Laws of Thermodynamics always win
- In the long run, we're all dead

Different Roles in Corrosion

- Academic
- Aerospace
- Anodic/Cathodic Protection
- Chemical Processing
- Coatings and Linings
- Engineering/Architecture Consulting Firm
- Government
- Instrumentation
- Metals and Mining
- Natural Gas Utility
- Oil & Gas Extraction
- Oil & Gas Pipeline/Storage Tanks

- Original Equipment Manufacturer
- Plastics/Nonmetals
- Power Plant/Electrical Utility
- Pulp & Paper
- Refining
- Research & Development
- Ships/Marine/Offshore Platforms
- Testing Services
- Transportation
- Water Distribution/Treatment

NACE International Membership

		GROWTH	
	Total Membership	Total Membership	Beyond US & Canada
1946	801		1%
1986	15,003		13%
1995	15,240	2%	17%
2000	15,343	1%	17%
2006	16,003	4%	20%
2007	17,491	9%	24%
2009	21,000	20%	31%
2011	25,723	22%	
2012	28,446	11%	
2013	33,244	17%	
2014	35,000+		

~35,000 members in

- >110 countries
- 8 Areas
- 131 Sections

46% Membership outside USA

Jan 28, 2014 (33,479)			
USA:	18,187		
Canada:	3,343		
China:	1,356		
India:	1,023		
Australia:	952		
UK:	916		
Saudi Arabia	: 483		
UAE	458		

Career Progressions in Corrosion

- Technical
 - Typically single-contributor
 - Continue to develop technical skills and experience throughout career
 - Degrees, certifications, licenses and other credentials may be important
- Business
 - Manage people and/or projects
 - Importance of technical skills decreases throughout career
 - Credentials related to corrosion are often not required
 - Other roles of NACE become more important, such as networking, marketing, sales, recruiting, etc.

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WHY CONSIDER A CAREER IN CORROSION CONTROL?



US Average Annual Corrosion Salaries



Salary by Years of Experience



Salary by Education Level





Corrosion Education

- Two-year college programs
 - Kilgore College
 - Houston Community College
 - Lone Star College
- Corrosion Engineering degree program
 University of Akron
- Training & Certifications
 - NACE International and NACE Institute

Corrosion Education

Arizona State University Boise State University California Polytechnic State University California State University Northridge Case Western Reserve University **Clarkson University** Colorado School of Mines Cornell University Florida Atlantic University Florida Institute of Technology Florida International University Georgia Institute of Technology Institute of Paper Science & Technology Iowa State University Johns Hopkins University **Kilgore College** Louisiana State University Massachusetts Institute of Technology Michigan Technological University Missouri University of Science and Technology Montana State University New Mexico Tech North Dakota State University Northeastern University Northern New Mexico College Ohio State University **Ohio University Oklahoma State University** Old Dominion University Oregon Graduate Institute of Science and Technology Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Texas A&M University

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