



**Innocent Udom**

### **Udom Wins Best Poster Award at IAC 2013**

**TAMPA, Fla (September 26, 2013)** **Innocent Udom**, a doctoral candidate in the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, received the Best Poster Award, during the 64<sup>th</sup> International Astronautical Congress (IAC), from September 23-27, in Beijing, China. The IAC, which is organized by the International Astronautical Federation (IAF), the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA), and the International Institute of Space Law (IISL), is the largest space-related conference world-wide and selects an average of 1,000 scientific papers every year.

Udom received sponsorship from NASA for both an oral talk and poster presentation. Travel grant recipients were selected by a NASA technical panel of scientists and/or officials based upon the relevance of student abstracts to the space agency's mission. The Agency's international education activities are an on-going effort to bridge NASA sponsored interns and fellows with students from around the world, and the international astronautical and space community.

Udom presented on "Photocatalytic Processing of Organic Waste for Green Space Exploration". He is advised by Yogi Gogswami, Distinguished University Professor in the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, Manoj Ram, Associate Research Professor in the Clean Energy Research Center (CERC), and Aloysius Hepp, Senior Scientist, NASA Glenn Research Center.

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