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Professional Profile

Dr. Clayman consults on a wide variety of proactive and reactive matters related to the chemistry of polymers and materials.

Trained as a chemist, Dr. Clayman leverages her knowledge of chemistry and polymer science in projects related to medical devices, consumer electronics, pharmaceuticals, contamination analysis, and material compatibility. She has assisted clients with materials specifications, formulation changes, product safety assessments, end-use testing, and failure analysis.

Dr. Clayman has extensive experience in the characterization of materials, with a focus on analytical chemistry, using tools such as FTIR, GC-MS, LC-MS, and NMR to investigate species on a molecular level, to GPC and MALDI-ToF to investigate larger polymeric materials. She has experience with electroactive polymers, porous materials, biodegradable polymers, and adhesives, among other common commercial plastics used in consumer products, building materials such as polymeric pipe, and implantable medical devices.

Prior to joining Exponent, Dr. Clayman was a fellow of the Center for Molecular Analysis and Design (CMAD) at Stanford University. Her research focused on stimulus responsive metallopolymers that she leveraged for the capture of hazardous gases, such as nitrogen dioxide. She also worked on utilizing organocatalysis and metal-driven catalysis for the synthesis of mechanically robust, biodegradable polymers.

Academic Credentials & Professional Honors

Ph.D., Chemistry, Stanford University, 2019

B.S., Chemistry, University of Chicago, 2014

Professional Affiliations

American Chemical Society

Co-Chair, Distinguished Women in Science Colloquia, Stanford University, 2016-2019

Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE)

Publications

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