

# Votes cast for greatest materials science

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Voting for the world's greatest moments in materials science and engineering history has begun by the U.S. Minerals, Metals & Materials Society.

"To the best of our knowledge, and even though people the world around love lists and even lists of lists, no one has ever singled out the greatest materials moments. Yet the quality of our lives -- our economy, our security, and our creature comforts -- has historically been dependent on advances in materials," the society said on its Web site.

"The clothes we wear are made from a variety of manufactured materials, as are our homes, automobiles, computers, mp3 players, and every other device and gizmo that you can imagine," the society said.

Professionals in the materials field, as well as the general public, may vote for their top 10 moments from a list of 100 nominees at [www.materialmoments.org/survey.html](http://www.materialmoments.org/survey.html). The deadline for voting is Dec. 31.

The top 10 will be announced during the society's annual meeting in February at Walt Disney World. The list will then appear online in the March issue of the materials science and engineering journal JOM.

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