

NEWS ALERT



New Chemist Set to Take Cortec® Coatings to the Next Generation



We are pleased to welcome our new Coatings Chemist, Jake Hemberger, to the team! After a careful search to fill a niche position, Cortec® has selected Jake as the right man for the job of bringing [Cortec® Coatings](#) to the next generation. Jake's friendly demeanor combined with chemistry knowledge and formulation experience serves as a strong foundation on which to improve and expand Cortec's line of corrosion inhibiting paints for metal while providing critical technical support to customers.

Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Coatings

Prior to joining our team on June 12th, Jake Hemberger (B.Sc., Chemical Engineering) spent more than a decade in laboratory and manufacturing work, with six of those years as a formulation chemist at Valspar/Sherwin Williams. Coming from a background in solvent borne and powder coating systems, Jake is intrigued by the challenge of turning his focus to a deeper technical understanding of water-based and eco-friendly coatings at Cortec®.

Streamlining the R&D Process

Jake's day-to-day work will include plenty of benchtop experimentation as well as close interaction with the production team to ensure smooth scale-ups and high quality results. Jake will also be developing relationships with raw material suppliers and end users and participating in customer attended line trials. His clear "bird's eye" view of the coatings workflow from benchtop to customer will play a critical role in smoothing the path from coatings conception to application.

Vision for the Next Generation of Cortec® Coatings

Jake is eager to move deeper into "green" coatings technology and expressed admiration for how far Cortec® has already come. "Since starting here at Cortec®, I've been especially excited by the advancement and high level of performance that our . . . water-based coating technology offers," he commented. We are similarly excited to have Jake on the team and look forward to seeing him create a new generation of [Cortec® Coatings](#) that can be carried to the next generation of Cortec® customers!

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