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WASON MEDAL FOR MATERIALS RESEARCH TO

VAGELIS G. PAPADAKIS COSTAS G. VAYENAS MICHAEL N. FARDIS

"for their paper ('Fundamental Modeling and Experimental Investigation of Concrete Carbonation'), on mathematical modeling of the complex phenomenon of carbonation which provides an approach for further evaluation and understanding of corrosion of reinforcing steel in concrete," published in the ACI Materials Journal, July/August 1991.

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His research specialties have included heterogeneous catalysis, mathematical modeling of chemical processes, and high temperature electrochemistry.

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Michael N. Fardis is professor of concrete structures, University of Patras, Greece, and has been on the faculty there for 11 years.

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