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In late 2018, Dr. Levi Thompson took over as Dean of the College of Engineering and Elizabeth Inez Kelley Professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Delaware. His research focuses on the design, synthesis, and characterization of chemicals and nanostructured materials for catalytic and energy storage applications, particularly the development of structure-function relationships that enable the design of highly efficient materials. Dr. Thompson was previously the Richard E. Balzhiser Professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Michigan (UM), where he also served as associate dean for undergraduate education in UM's College of Engineering. He also served as Director of the Hydrogen Energy Technology Laboratory, a multi-user research facility supporting UM's hydrogen research. He is recipient of many awards including a Union Carbide Innovation Recognition Award, Dow Chemical Good Teaching Award, and Engineering Society of Detroit Gold Award. He is co-founder of T/J Technologies, a developer of nanomaterials for advanced batteries that was acquired by A123 Systems in 2006. He also founded Inmatech to commercialize catalytic materials and processes discovered and developed in his laboratories. Dr. Thompson presently serves on the National Academy's Chemical Sciences Roundtable, External Advisory Committee for the Center of Advanced Materials for Purification of Water with Systems, and American Institute of Chemical Engineers Board of Directors. Dr. Thompson obtained his B.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Delaware, and his M.S. in Chemical Engineering and Nuclear Engineering and Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from UM.