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Wilkie was selected for the award by Marquette's Committee On Research and received a \$5,000 stipend.

Wilkie has studied fire retardancy and polymers, a class of natural or synthetic substances composed of very large molecules that are multiples of simpler chemical units, for 28 years. He is one of the foremost academic researchers into fire retardant technology and his research has been widely published in the United States and abroad. Through a \$1.1 million grant from the Department of Defense administered by the U.S. Air Force, Wilkie and his team have partnered with Boston-based Triton Systems to develop a flame retardant, anti-blast material that can sheath military buildings and vehicles.

Wilkie received his B.S. degree from the University of Detroit and Ph.D. from Wayne State University.

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