

Extract from Statutes

The Foundation has been formed with funds donated in memory of Alf de Ruvo, Licentiate of Engineering, Executive Vice President of Svenska Cellulosa Aktiebolaget SCA (hereinafter referred to as "SCA") and holder of the Swedish Association of Pulp and Paper Engineers' Ekman Medal, and which, under the name "The Alf de Ruvo Memorial Foundation" shall serve the purposes indicated hereinafter.

The research and training activities which the Foundation intends to support shall lie within strategic future spheres of development for SCA, and within or close to the fields of research in which Alf de Ruvo himself was active.

Alf de Ruvo carried out broad research within the sphere of cellulose-fibre-based materials. Within the packaging field, he worked particularly on the mechanical properties of packaging and their importance in converting and end-use situations. He was particularly devoted to the solid state physics of packaging materials and he often adopted a composite-material thinking in his scientific studies. He also worked on questions relating to absorption by cellulose, with a special interest in surface chemical effects. Within paper physics, his interests were chiefly directed towards how ambient climatic conditions influence the mechanical properties of paper materials.

The funds of the Foundation shall preferably be used to provide a one-year scholarship so that a named person shall be able to carry out studies abroad, but other scientific activities which honour the memory of Alf de Ruvo may also be considered.

The criterion for all the activities supported by the fund shall be that they take place in the spirit which was characteristic of Alf de Ruvo's life and work.

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The purpose of the Foundation is to support forest industrial educational and research activities which promote the technical and scientific progress of the industry and which are important for the activities of the SCA-group.