

Unveiled: A Community Site for Chemical Biologists

The ever-increasing volume of scientific information available on the Web demands efficient channels for scientific communication. At *ACS Chemical Biology*, we constantly look to adapt to the needs of the chemical biology community and to improve our user experience. Since the journal published its first issue in 2006, we have reached out to chemical biologists through our *ACS Chemical Biology* Community Site. This month, we moved the community site to the ACS Network, a platform the American Chemical Society developed to encourage information exchange through forums, groups or personal blogs.

The new platform allows users to post content directly to the site, thus offering easy and instantaneous contact with our world-class editorial board and other researchers. The new *ACS Chemical Biology* Community Site can be found at <http://www.acscbcommunity.com>. Using links situated in the “Actions”z module at the bottom right-hand corner of the community site, users can start discussion threads, submit videos, write blogs, and create polls. To stay updated on the latest posts on this community site, I invite you to click on the “Receive email notifications” options. Alternatively, you can follow us by RSS feed.

To enter a chance to win a free iPad 2, simply register and post on the *ACS Chemical Biology* Community Discussion Board. For more details, please visit the new community site at <http://www.acscbcommunity.com>

To log in, simply complete our short registration process to gain access. The new site is designed to keep you up-to-date on the most current and noteworthy work in the field of chemical biology. Here, you will find links to the most recently published manuscripts in *ACS Chemical Biology*, links to our latest podcasts, and the ability to post questions directly to featured experts. Follow *ACS Chemical Biology* Editor-in-Chief Laura Kiessling’s twitter feed (www.twitter.com/ChemicalBiology) to stay informed on breaking news in the field. We have also added a brand new feature, “Author Art”, to showcase artwork authors submitted to complement manuscripts they publish in *ACS Chemical Biology*.

Of course, you will still find our most popular features on the new site. Listen to podcast interviews with featured authors at the release of each new *ACS Chemical Biology* issue, published the third Friday of every month. The “Ask the Expert” segment allows users to post questions ranging from methodology to future applications to top researchers in chemical biology. To ask a question, simply click on the “Ask a question” link. Alternatively, you can post questions via twitter to our @ChemicalBiology account. We have archived our “Chem Bio WIKI” on the site and added an enhanced “Discussion” board for posting content relevant to chemical biology research. To contribute to this discussion section (and to enter for a chance to win an iPad 2), click on the “Start a discussion” thread in the “Actions” module and submit a summary on a relevant topic. Everyone is invited to participate and we look forward to lively discussions on great

scientific papers, insights to your current research, and current policy issues affecting science and the field of chemical biology.

Scientific communication is an important and powerful tool. We have redesigned the *ACS Chemical Biology* Community Site to facilitate conversations between scientists, graduate students, and top-notch researchers in the field. With these changes, we hope to reach an even broader audience while making the process of posting on this site easier and more efficient. Please let us know what you think of the new site and make suggestions on how we can improve your experience. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

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