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Published monthly, *ACS Chemical Neuroscience*, a Web-only journal, will serve as an international forum for the dissemination of important research in all areas of neuroscience, including neurotransmitters and receptors, neuropharmaceuticals and therapeutics, neural development (plasticity and degeneration), computational neuroscience, mechanisms (aging, learning, and behavior), pain and sensory processing, neurotoxins, neuroscience-inspired bioengineering, neuroimaging agents and technology, and animal models for diseases of the central nervous system. We are pleased to say that the content we plan on publishing in the first few issues of the journal covers each of these areas!

Unlike other neuroscience journals, a hallmark of *ACS Chemical Neuroscience* will be rapid review and publication, typically in less than 6 weeks. *ACS Chemical Neuroscience* will publish reviews, brief, high-quality research letters, and full articles, all of which will have guidelines for page length and number of figures; however, since we want “full stories” to be told, we are flexible with respect to page restrictions. *ACS Chemical*

Neuroscience has no publication charges, and we encourage authors to use color images. To aid in the editorial process, Arthur Christopoulos of Monash University in Australia and Alan Jasanoff at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have signed on as Associate Editors. In addition, *ACS Chemical Neuroscience* has an international, world-class Editorial Advisory Board with expertise in every major area of neuroscience research.

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Finally, I would like to thank the Editors of the journals in the ACS biological chemistry portfolio, the entire staff of the Publications Division of the ACS, and especially the *ACS Chemical Neuroscience* launch team, who worked tirelessly to promote *ACS Chemical Neuroscience* and get it on a solid foundation and off to a fantastic start!

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