

The End of an Era and New Beginnings for the Editorial Leadership of ACS Chemical Neuroscience

ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* announces the departure of a founding Associate Editor and welcomes two new Associate Editors, expanding the expertise and coverage that the *Journal* can provide to the neuroscience community.

At the end of this past summer, one of our founding Associate Editors (AEs), Professor Arthur Christopoulos (<http://www.monash.edu.au/pharm/research/researchers/profile.html?sid=9159&pid=41190>), informed us of his need to step down, as his responsibilities within the Drug Discovery program at Monash University had dramatically increased. Arthur was a fantastic and dedicated AE, who elevated the *Journal*, published in the *Journal*, guest-edited a special issue on GPCRs, and solicited a number of important and high-impact manuscripts to ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*. While we will miss his presence, we are eager to follow his science and excited for the possibilities of novel CNS therapeutics coming out of Monash! All of us at ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* thank you Arthur for your service, dedication, and friendship to the *Journal*—best of luck mate!

At the same time, we are pleased to announce that Professor Thomas Knöpfel from the Department of Medicine at Imperial College London has been appointed as an AE for ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*. Professor Knöpfel (http://www.imperial.ac.uk/AP/faces/pages/read/Home.jsp?person=t.knopfel&_adf.ctrl-state=101zun7da5_195) currently holds the Chair of Optogenetics and Circuit Neurosciences at Imperial College, Division of Brain Sciences. Professor Knöpfel is a leader in the fields of glutamate receptors and neuronal calcium signaling, and in the late 1990s he moved to Japan where he led the foundation of the RIKEN Brain Institute. His current research interests are focused on electrophysiological and optical imaging studies aimed at understanding the neuronal dynamics in cerebral and cortical circuits. With ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*, Professor Knöpfel will lead an initiative to promote the field of genetically encoded tools for controlling and monitoring cellular processes. Welcome Thomas—very happy to have you on board and we look forward to your influence on the areas covered by ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*.

With the need for biomarker strategies for target engagement within CNS discovery efforts, the *Journal* wished to increase our presence in this domain as well, and afford authors a venue to report not only imaging/biomarker results, but also the often complex and challenging chemical optimization of PET tracers and other radioligands. To promote this area, we are very fortunate to have Professor Jacob Hooker of the Harvard Medical School join ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* as an AE. Currently, Professor Hooker (<http://hookerlab.martinos.org/>) is the Director of Radiochemistry for the Athinoula A. Martinos Center and Associate Director of the PET CORE for Massachusetts General Hospital. With ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*, Professor Hooker will lead an initiative to promote the field of imaging science and increase the content of PET/imaging chemistry. Welcome Jacob—very happy to have you

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Professor Anne Andrews (<http://www.serotonin.ucla.edu/>), Professor of Psychiatry at UCLA and the Richard Metzner Endowed Chair in Clinical Neuropharmacology, remains an AE for the *Journal*, with a focus on basic and translational research on anxiety and depression at the nexus of nanoscience and neuroscience. Combined, the editorial leadership of ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* is well poised to further increase the content, impact, and influence of the *Journal*. Thus far in 2013, citations are at an all-time high for the *Journal*, and the quality of submissions continues to increase. We thank all the authors and contributors that have helped make ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* a leading journal in the neuroscience field, and express sincere gratitude for all the service and dedication of the AEs past and present.

Craig W. Lindsley, Editor-in-Chief

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