

ACS Chemical Neuroscience in 2014

All of us at ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* are very excited about 2014. In a few months, the Journal's 2013 impact factor will be reported, and 2013 was a landmark year. As a point of reference, in 2012, the Journal received 634 citations, resulting in an impact factor of 3.871. Last year, the number of citations almost doubled to 1112, suggesting the Impact Factor that will be reported later this year for 2013 will be over 4 (with an h-index of 18)! We want to warmly thank all our Associate Editors (Arthur Christopoulos, Anne Andrews, Jacob Hooker, and as Knöpfel), editorial advisory board members, authors, and readers for this significant increase in citations and overall impact in the neuroscience field. We will report the Impact Factor as soon as it is released. The "Classics in Chemical Neuroscience" review series will continue in 2014, and we are happy to have received several submissions already. I encourage anyone that has interest to contact me (craig.lindsley@vanderbilt.edu) and suggest a CNS therapeutic, key CNS tool compound, or imaging agent for the series—these are highly downloaded and read reviews that greatly benefit the neuroscience community. In addition, a number of Special Issues are planned for 2014—more to come of these. I would also like to solicit Viewpoint pieces from the community to encourage discussion and provoke thought on various aspects of neuroscience research.

Plagiarism. Recently, ACS *Chemical Neuroscience* as well as journals from ACS and other publishers have noted an increase in the incidence of both plagiarism and self-plagiarism in submitted manuscripts. Both forms of plagiarism are *not* acceptable and violate the ethics in publishing agreement authors acknowledge when submitting manuscripts to ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*. When a manuscript is submitted to ACS *Chemical Neuroscience*, it is automatically reviewed by Cross Check, an antiplagiarism software package, and the editors receive a percent (%) identity score and list of manuscripts from which text overlaps, with suspect text highlighted. Manuscripts that contain a significant amount of plagiarism or self-plagiarism are not reviewed and rejected. Depending on the degree of plagiarism, authors may be given the opportunity to rewrite the manuscript and resubmit. It is important to note that direct self-plagiarism of large sections of text (especially introductory text) is not acceptable, and direct plagiarism of others' work is not acceptable. The same is true for figures and other graphics. However, in many instances, the methods employed in a lab for a standard, group-centric protocol are essentially the same, and I do not consider that plagiarism, as those details are standardized for reproducibility and/or to align with institutional IACUC animal protocols. Please ensure that manuscripts submitted contain original text and appropriate citations, to expedite the review and publication of your science.

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