

# Upcoming in *ACS Nano* and Nanoscience

With this issue, we complete our fourth volume of *ACS Nano*. It has been quite a year, publishing literally hundreds of exciting papers and having extraordinary growth in submissions, readers, editors, citations—every aspect of our journal. We thank you for your great and continuing support and encouragement.

We have added new associate editors who have livened and broadened the discussions that make our efforts at *ACS Nano* so rewarding and that we hope have led to a more thoughtful journal in terms of what we publish and in terms of how we work with authors, referees, and readers. This has also been key to handling our growth and to expanding our views of the field. After growing to 10 editors this year, we anticipate further growth and breadth in our corps of editors in 2011. We have added key figures in science and engineering to our editorial advisory board for 2011, as well, including Drs. David Awschalom, Thomas Bein, Carolyn Bertozzi, Jeff Brinker, Marvin Cohen, Laura Kiessling, Kazunori Kataoka, Bob Langer, and Andrew Wee, many of whom have already been frequent contributors and advisers.

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We have found two aspects of being editors to be particularly interesting and stimulating, both personally and professionally. The first aspect is getting overviews of the field and placing different areas in context in terms of stages of development, approaches, and parent fields (that often determine disparate approaches, presentation styles, and expectations). This leads to frequent discussions of specific manuscripts, of where fields are going, and how best to serve our community. In our attempts to share this with you, we have written editorials, solicited forward-looking Perspectives and Nano Focus articles, and have had Conversations with leaders in the field, such as one with Dr. Phaedon Avouris in this issue.<sup>1</sup> We have also started publishing virtual issues on key topics, in which the field is put into perspective and selected papers are collected; as many of you have seen, the first virtual issue is on nanotoxicology.<sup>2,3</sup>

The second aspect is the insight gained from seeing how different scientists and engineers represent themselves and their work to *ACS Nano*. We do our best to share these insights in what has become a popular continuing series of editorials on cover letters, fraud, and other topics.<sup>4-7</sup> Expect more on each of these topics in upcoming issues.

Other changes are in store, as well. Now, we welcome our new managing editor, Dr. Heather Tierney, to *ACS Nano*. Heather received her Ph.D. in chemistry from Tufts University, working with Prof. Charlie Sykes, and has published several papers in *ACS Nano* (including in our first issue). This year, she won both the Mort Traum Award from the American Vacuum Society and the Nottingham Prize from the Physical Electronics Conference. Heather takes the place of Dr. Penelope Lewis, who has been promoted to the position of acquisitions editor. We congratulate Penelope, and like Dr. Sarah Tegen before her, we will continue to rely on her wisdom and help.



Dr. Heather Tierney joins *ACS Nano* as our new managing editor.

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We are happy to share with you that *ACS Nano* has now won the ISI Rising Star award for journals in chemistry five times consecutively.<sup>8</sup> Finally, we wish you, our readers, a peaceful and exciting upcoming year in worlds great and small!



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