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Dear Department Chair or Program Head:

Thanks to your faculty and staff members for delivering the ACS Directory of Graduate Research (DGRweb) over the last 63 years. While we're justifiably proud of the attention and detail that go in the ACS Directory of Graduate Research (DGRweb), we know that it's the help and cooperation of the departments and their faculty and staff members who supplied the information who make it a unique reference work for all who are involved in graduate education in chemistry and related fields.

Access to information about graduate chemistry programs has changed dramatically since the introduction of the Directory 63 years ago. With chemistry programs developing increasingly informative websites, we have observed a significant number of programs convert from full listings to free, heading-only listings and a sizeable number of programs withdraw altogether from the Directory. DGRweb *must* be fully self-supporting in order to continue. For this reason, we have decided to discontinue DGRweb.

The 2015 DGRweb and its archive will remain on the website (www.acs.org/dgrweb) throughout the end of 2016 for free online searches.

Again, thank you for helping us help you make the ACS Directory of Graduate Research a highly valued publication over the years.

Sincerely,



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