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Information, insights, and advice for ACS industry members

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Scientific meetings will have to adapt in the post-pandemic era in order to thrive, at least according to our panel of industry veterans.

Richard Cobb explains his loyalty to technicians and ACS local sections. And why he insists on living out his retirement years in frigid Rochester.

Ken Fivizzani shares safety tips whether you are working in the lab or in your home. Finally, in the wake of COVID-19, a much larger number of you are leading virtual teams – a course from LinkedIn Learning has some tips on doing it more effectively.

John C. Katz
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COVID-19 FEATURE

"Scientific discovery relies on information exchange, a significant portion of which occurs at face-to-face meetings. How should the scientific community adapt to the damage COVID-19 inflicted on this critical component on the information exchange supply line?"

"Intangibles of face-to-face meetings, relationship building, informal discussions, and opportunities to ideate and speculate will be difficult..." [Read more from past What I Learned contributors](#)

WHAT I LEARNED

"How would you imagine the COVID-19 pandemic would be impacting the work of technicians? Could they – generally – continue to do their work? With what sort of accommodations?"



Richard Cobb

Eastman Kodak Company,
ACS Rochester Section

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Ken Fivizzani
Safety Expert

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QUOTABLE

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- Vanessa Z. Chan, PhD
University of Pennsylvania

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