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Information, insights, and advice for ACS industry members

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Karin Briner, VP, Global Discovery Chemistry with Novartis, explains how the work conducted in the pharma industry has changed in the wake of the pandemic, and additional changes she projects in the future. One of those important changes is the 'democratization of ideas.' Be sure to read all of what Karin has to say.

In another installment of the Best of 2020, we have selected 11 of the top responses from What I Learned contributors to the question: "How have your parents influenced your leadership style?" Tom Lane, Chris Bodurow, Richard Cobb, Kevin Edgar, Beth Lorsbach, and six others have interesting things to say on the topic.

Our safety expert, Frankie Wood-Black gets to the heart of a critical safety matter this month. Be sure to read her piece – it can save your life, or that of a colleague or a loved one.

One of our ACS Career Consultants, Andrea Alexander, has some advice on how to build transferable skills that you can take with you from job to job.

We wrap up today's issue with BASF's Peter Eckes, 3M's John Banovetz, and DuPont's Alexa Dembek, who provide three different perspectives on the question: "How do I develop the non-technical skills that industry values?"

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ACS BOSS TALK



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BEST OF WHAT I LEARNED



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ON THE SAFE SIDE

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CAREER PERSPECTIVES

Andrea Alexander, an ACS Career Consultant, has some advice on how to build transferable skills that you can take with you from job to job. [Go to Article](#)

CAREER ADVICE



BASF's Peter Eckes, 3M's John Banovetz, and DuPont's Alexa Dembek provide three different perspectives on the question: "How do I develop the non-technical skills that industry values?"

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Upcoming from ACS Webinars

TODAY, join 3M's Dr. Jayshree Seth, as she provides an overview of the three-year global study "State of Science Index," including the impact of the pandemic on the public perception of science, key themes that emerge from the 2020 results, and STEM awareness that promote equity and access for all. This ACS Webinar is moderated by Glenn Ruskin of the American Chemical Society and co-produced with ACS External Affairs & Communications. [Register for free!](#)

Wednesday, 2/10, join Anthony DePass of Understanding Interventions, Michelle Claville of Hampton University, and Lourdes Echegoyen of The University of Texas at El Paso to discover novel approaches, models, and pedagogies in the chemistry enterprise that advance diversity, equity, inclusion, and respect (DEIR) efforts in academic and professional settings. This ACS Webinar is organized by Leyte Winfield, Division Chair for Natural Science and Mathematics, Spelman College, moderated by Zakiya Wilson-Kennedy of Louisiana State University, and co-produced with ACS Publications and ACS Education. [Register for free!](#)

Next Thursday, 2/11, join retired CEO of International Solar Electric Technology, Vijay Kapur as he discusses the energy content of hydrogen compared to natural gas, its cost comparison with fossil fuels, the role of hydrogen for energy storage, as well as safety issues concerning the use of hydrogen in various applications. This ACS Webinar is moderated by Bill Tsuzynski of The Unami Group LLC and co-produced with the Science History Institute and Chemical & Engineering News. [Register for free!](#)

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Laboratory Safety and Health

Learn best practices to minimize personal injury, health impairment, property loss, regulatory fines, and liability in your laboratory. [Register today!](#)

Registration for ACS Spring 2021 is Open!

[Register and join the global chemistry community for ACS Spring 2021](#) with the theme, Macromolecular Chemistry: The Second Century at the core of programming. If you haven't had a chance to attend an ACS Meeting & Exposition, now is the time!

- Participate in up to 4,000 hours of live oral technical presentations, poster presentations, April 5-16.
- Virtual networking events will allow attendees to use chat and messaging features and video rooms to connect with their peers, share ideas, and meet fellow chemical professionals from across the globe during the virtual networking events, April 17-30.
- Some events are too good to miss! Join us for the phenomenal talks planned for the Opening Session and Kavli Lecture Series.
- ACS Spring 2021 will also host awards ceremonies honoring you and your colleagues.

Live virtual technical sessions will take place April 5-16, followed by two weeks of on-demand technical sessions and networking events, April 17-30, a month's worth of programming, [at an affordable cost!](#) [Visit the website for the latest information regarding the meeting schedule, networking opportunities, events, and more.](#)

Participate in an upcoming virtual ACS Regional Meeting

The virtual ACS Regional Meetings will feature technical programs to help you stay up-to-date on the latest research, professional education workshops, poster presentations, expositions, and networking opportunities. Learn more about each of the individual meetings by clicking on the links below.

[Northwest Regional Meeting \(NORM\)](#)

May 9-11

Now accepting abstract submissions.

Deadline: February 8

Great Lakes Regional Meeting (GLRM)

June 6-9

Now accepting abstract submissions.

Deadline: March 1

Middle Atlantic Regional Meeting (MARM)

June 9-12

Abstracts are scheduled to open on January 25.

Submit an Abstract to the 25th Annual Green Chemistry & Engineering Conference

The ACS Green Chemistry Institute invites you to submit an abstract to the 25th Annual Green Chemistry & Engineering Conference. Held virtually on June 14-18, 2021, the Conference will feature 5 days of programming, over 30 oral and poster sessions with Q&A, and many opportunities to for online networking. [Take a moment to browse the symposia and submit an abstract](#) before February 15, 2021.

ACS Career Consultant Virtual Office Hours TODAY



Advance your career on the fly! Join an upcoming Virtual Office Hours with ACS Career Consultants, every Thursday at 12 pm, ET, for casual small-group networking with fellow ACS members and convenient career advice. [Register for free!](#) Schedule a 1:1 session with an ACS Career Consultant for personalized answers about resume writing, video interviewing, optimizing your LinkedIn profile, and more. ACS Members only. [Find a Career Consultant](#) and schedule your free career consultation today!



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