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FEATURE

Free from ACS Webinars: Mid-2020 Update on Chemistry and the Economy



How will the market be affected by developing patterns of consumption, deflation, and changes in behavior? How is Elisabeth Kübler Ross' Paradigm of Loss model applicable in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic and ensuing economic crisis? How can your company survive and prosper in this radically changed business climate?

These are the kinds of questions that will be considered in a special live ACS Webinar, "**Chemistry and the Economy: 2020 Mid-Year Update**," on Friday, June 5, 2:00-3:00 PM ET. Long-time economy watchers Paul Hodges of International Echem and Bill Carroll of Carroll Applied Science will take their semiannual look at the current economic environment for the chemical sciences, and give their expert perspective on what to expect in the months ahead.

[Register today](#) for this special live broadcast, and check the full schedule of upcoming FREE events from ACS Webinars, including:

10 Essential Scholarly Publishing Tips from an ACS Editor - *Wednesday, June 3, 2:00-3:00 PM ET (live broadcast)*. Join ACS *Chemical Health & Safety* Editor Mary Beth Mulcahy during this free interactive broadcast to receive 10 essential tips to ensure you're preparing the best manuscript possible for submission.

Understanding Your Needs: Restarting Academic Research with COVID-19 - *Thursday, June 4, 2:00-3:00 PM ET (live broadcast)*. Join ACS President Luis Echegoyen, Past ACS President Peter Dorhout of Kansas State University, and Assistant Professor Davita Camp of Spelman College as they share how ACS is advocating for

chemists. Be prepared to share your challenges during the COVID shutdowns, and thoughts on how federal research agencies like NSF, NIH, and DOE could assist scientists in meeting those challenges. Webinar participants are encouraged to email questions ahead of the webinar to policy@acs.org.

Did you miss a webinar or want to view one again? ACS members have exclusive access to our expansive library of recordings. Visit the [webinar archives](#) to catch up on the latest additions.



REMOTE RESOURCES & LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

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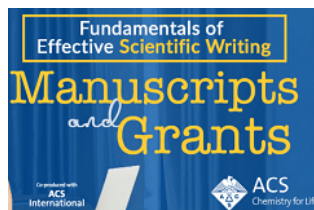
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ACS and [Inova EAP Services](#) are here for you during these challenging times. To learn more about this benefit, please visit our [Personal Benefits](#) page. You will need your ACS Web ID to log in and access these services.

Free ACS India Webinar on Effective Scientific Writing

From writing grants to authoring scientific papers, technical writing is an essential skill for chemical scientists at all stages of their careers - yet it can be difficult to find time to focus on improving this important ability. For a fantastic opportunity to work on your written communication skills, join us for a free ACS India webinar,



"Fundamentals of Effective Scientific Writing: Manuscripts and Grants," on Tuesday, June 9, 6:00 PM IST (8:30 AM ET).

Ashutosh Sharma of the Indian Department of Science and Technology and Dipankar Das Sarma of the Indian Institute of Science will share how to communicate your ideas more clearly and effectively, get more of your papers published, and win that major grant. [Register today to save your spot!](#)

Make the Most of GC&E Fridays and the GC&E Virtual Conference



Register now to connect and network with over 4,000 participants (and counting!) at the [24th Annual Green Chemistry and Engineering \(GC&E\) Virtual Conference](#), June 15-19, 2020. Brought to you by the ACS Green Chemistry Institute®, your free registration gives you an all-access pass to the virtual event, with more than 40 technical symposia sessions and keynote speakers each day of the conference, plus [GC&E Fridays](#), a new series of weekly pre-conference webinars:

- Slimming the Waste-Line in Peptide and Oligonucleotide Synthesis - *Friday, June 5, 10:00 AM-1:05 PM ET*
- ACS GCI Pharmaceutical Roundtable Past, Present and Future - *Friday, June 12, 9:30 AM-12:50 PM ET*

To attend the June 5 GC&E Friday session, you must first register for the GC&E Virtual Conference; you'll receive a link to access the GoToWebinar platform separately.

If you're interested in advancing sustainable science and solutions to global sustainability challenges, this is one event you don't want to miss - [register today!](#)

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Early Career Chemist: Tara Kennedy Griffiths, Processing Specialist, Quality Assurance, The Hershey Company



Meet the quality assurance chemist supporting candy manufacture

Tara Kennedy Griffiths joined the analytical laboratory at Hershey's flagship site in Pennsylvania... [read more](#)

Innovation Zone: Brad Justice, CEO, Soil Metrics



How did you get your start in entrepreneurship? Do you think it would look different for young entrepreneurs today compared to when you first started?

"My first company was Student Storage Solutions, a moving and storage company that served our fellow students..." [read more](#)

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- [Controlling Light On Demand with Dynamic Plasmonic Materials | U.S. Naval Research Laboratory | Washington, DC](#)
- [Faculty Positions | Fudan University | Shanghai, China](#)
- [Jefferson Science Fellowship Program | The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine | Washington, DC](#)

ACS NEWS

Congratulations to the 2020 SCI Scholars



ACS has selected 18 undergraduates for the 2020 class of [SCI Scholars](#), who will participate in paid summer internships at leading U.S. chemical companies. Although some internships have been suspended because of COVID-19, we're still celebrating the achievement of these talented students. [Read more about them](#) in the May 2020 issue of *inChemistry* magazine.

Webinar: How to Become an ACS Bridge Site or Partnership Department

Is your department interested in increasing the number and participation of graduate students from underrepresented groups? On Thursday, June 18, 3:00-4:00 PM ET, join an ACS Education webinar on "[How to Become an ACS Bridge Site or Partnership Department](#)" that explains how your department can receive access to an ACS database that connects you with students from underrepresented groups that aim to join a doctoral program in the chemical sciences (chemistry or chemical engineering) and ACS funding (for selected master's or doctoral-granting institutions) to build programs that prepare students to apply and be accepted into a doctoral program in the chemical sciences. Register for the webinar [here](#).



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Small Business Grants from FedEx

FedEx has committed to providing [\\$1 million in grants](#) for U.S.-based small businesses. Each grant recipient will receive \$5,000, plus a \$500 credit from FedEx Office that can be used for printing banners, posters, floor graphics, custom branded boxes, and more. All you have to do to

apply for a grant is sign up for the free [ACS Member Shipping Program](#), which saves you up to 26% on everything from small packages up to large freight. There are no minimum usage requirements or obligations, [just great savings](#) as part of your ACS membership!



C&EN - This Week's Headlines

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- C&EN, Table of Contents, June 1 issue
- Tick tock. Should we stop the tenure clock?
- How air pollution messes with our minds
- What will become of drug and chemical trade shows?
- Artemisinin raises hopes and fears amid COVID-19
- Tenure during a time of crisis
- Chemist-turned-intelligence expert Rod Schoonover on climate change and COVID-19
- Parodies and party beverages, all in support of science
- CanSino publishes first COVID-19 vaccine data to muted response
- Merck & Co. joins race for COVID-19 vaccines and therapies
- Kavli Foundation announces 2020 prizes for nanoscience and neuroscience
- U.S. universities release research restart plans
- PFAS pollution from Chemours plant distributed by air
- Automated synthesis creates longest polysaccharide to date

PHUN & GAMES

In Which We Remember How Much We Love Improbable Research



If you're like us, you've been stuck indoors for most of the past quarter, passing the social-distancing time by reading and cooking and listening to podcasts (while cooking). We were thrilled - and mortified that it took us this long! - to discover that the international treasure that is [Improbable Research](#) has been putting out a semiweekly [podcast](#) (for years!) covering all the ephemera of its stock in trade - "Research that makes you LAUGH and then THINK."

If you're unfamiliar with the *Annals of Improbable Research*, we recommend signing up for the [mini-AIR e-mail newsletter](#), to get a taste of the wackiness that's available in the full, six-times-a-year magazine. The April 2020 mini-AIR featured the winners of last month's limerick challenge (which asked for a limerick to explain US patent 6085864, "Cough Muffler,"), meditations (and more limerick invitations) on the nature of matter, links to research on "Fingers, Spittle, Levitating Crimefighters," and more. It's great fun, and we could all use more of that lately!

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