

# Editorial

## Invitation to attend the 2010 Fall Meeting of the Swiss Chemical Society

On behalf of the Swiss Chemical Society (SCS) and the Organizing Committee, we are pleased to invite you to participate in the 2010 Fall Meeting. Following the tradition of alternating locations for this event, the ETH Zurich is proud to host this year's Fall Meeting for the first time at its Science City (Hönggerberg) campus.

With nearly six hundred presentations (posters, contributed and invited talks), the Fall Meeting represents a major event for chemical research in Switzerland, and it offers a unique opportunity for graduate students, post-doctoral fellows and senior scientists from academia and industry to share the results of their research. It also allows chemists to exchange ideas, often creating the seeds for new projects and collaborations.

As in previous years, we will have a number of invited lectures presented by distinguished scientists. This year's Paracelsus Prize Lecture will be given by Prof. Steven V. Ley of Cambridge University, and the Grammaticakis-Neumann Prize Lecture will be presented by Prof. Sivaguru Jayaraman of North Dakota State University. Both lectures will be delivered as plenary lectures. Other invited lectures will be given in the Parallel Sessions. For the traditional Inorganic and Coordination Chemistry Minisymposium, we are pleased to welcome Profs. Ian Manners (Bristol), Karl Wieghardt (MPI für Bioanorganische Chemie, Mühlheim), and Philip P. Power (UC Davis).

At the Commercial Exhibition, more than ten companies will be presenting their products and services. In addition, there will be a Job Fair with company representatives providing information on career opportunities.

We are grateful to the Swiss Chemical Industry for its continued sponsorship. All of the eight Parallel Sessions will have an endowment. Other sponsors have made very generous general financial contributions (Lonza, Swiss Academy of Sciences), or financed the awards for the best posters and best oral presentations (DSM, Metrohm Foundation). This support from industry extends beyond the financial aspect; it is also an expression of the interest of industry in our research activities, many of which are carried out by young scientists. A complete list of sponsors is provided on page 448.

We invite you to browse through the program and hope that the 2010 Fall Meeting will capture your interest. Your participation and your contribution to the scientific discussion will help to make the 2010 Fall Meeting a success for everybody involved.

We look forward to seeing you soon at ETH Zurich!

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