



Dear IYC Partner:

What a success! We salute you for supporting us in celebrating the International Year of Chemistry (IYC) 2011. You have celebrated with us in so many different ways such as placing the IYC logo on your website, including articles in your trade publication or blog, and hosting IYC-related events. We wish to extend a heart-felt thank you for your commitment to making IYC 2011 a great success.

We have completed the first two quarters of IYC 2011 with many activities, including Science Cafés, participation in engineering fairs and festivals, and science enrichment programs for grades 3-8. During the official opening celebration in Philadelphia, ACS, in partnership with the Franklin Institute, organized an outreach event for children and their families to learn more about the world of chemistry through hands-on, age-appropriate IYC activities; the event attracted more than 250 museum-goers. During the 2011 ACS National Meeting this past March, we organized an IYC reception and a performance of a dancing periodic table of elements featuring scores of chemists wearing symbols representing the elements to the tune of an original rap song (www.acs.org/iyc2011/chemistscandance). We also created a video that explores the thought-provoking premise of <u>A Day Without Chemistry</u>, which follows a young man as he sees more and more of his everyday necessities and conveniences disappear before his widening eyes.

Additionally, the ACS virtual and physical IYC presence continues to grow with <u>365: Chemistry for Life</u>, our webbased calendar. We also offer the <u>ACS International Year of Chemistry Virtual Journal</u>, a complimentary publication that is now available on the ACS website.

Please inform us about how you are celebrating the IYC by completing our <u>online activity form</u>. We would like to hear your stories and learn about the creative ways in which you are spreading the word about the IYC.

Please help us continue our efforts to inspire the public about the wonders of chemistry by:

- Spreading the word about the year in your community with events;
- Keeping the energy level high;
- Staying apprised of new IYC events and activities by frequent visits to our IYC website (www.acs.org/iyc2011); and
- Signing-up to receive the <u>ACS IYC Bulletin</u> at IYC2011@acs.org.

Thank you, once again, for becoming an IYC 2011 Partner and for your contribution in making this truly global celebration a success.

Sincerely,

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