



# ACS-GHS December 2021 Newsletter

## Upcoming Events

December 10<sup>th</sup> - EWOC Winter Gathering

December 1<sup>st</sup> - Project SEED Proposals open

December 31<sup>st</sup> - Last Guess the Molecule

[Check our website and below for details on these upcoming events.](#)

## EWOC Winter Gathering



Last EWOC virtual gathering of the year! Join us for camaraderie and fun games and prizes!

Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>  
7:00pm  
Online

Email [HoustonEWOC@gmail.com](mailto:HoustonEWOC@gmail.com) to receive the meeting link.

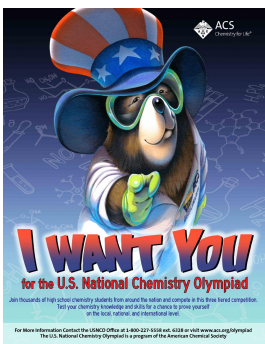
## Seeking Project SEED Mentors Summer 2022

The ACS Project SEED summer research program creates opportunities for economically disadvantaged students to experience what it's like to be a chemist. To promote this initiative, we are now seeking mentors to lead our high school student participants in the summer of 2022. All mentors will be appointed to no more than 2 students.

Starting **December 1st, 2021**, we will be accepting proposals for both **in-person AND virtual research projects**. If interested, please contact the Project SEED Area Coordinator, Dr. Javoris Hollingsworth, at [hollinjv@stthom.edu](mailto:hollinjv@stthom.edu) for further details.



## 2022 Chemistry Olympiad Local Competition



The Greater Houston Local Section will participate in the 2022 United States National Chemistry Olympiad (USNCO) competition administered by the American Chemical Society (ACS). Due to the prolonged health concern, the local competition will be held in a hybrid fashion during the first week of March 2022. The registration deadline is February 5, 2022 (Saturday). For further information and the registration form, please contact Dr. Jerry Yang at [acs.ghs.cho@gmail.com](mailto:acs.ghs.cho@gmail.com).

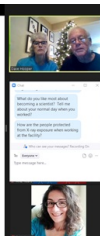
## November Seminar - Experiences in Chemistry and Science Advocacy

Our November seminar with Dr. Allison Campbell is now available on our [YouTube channel](#)! Learn about Dr. Campbell's research work on biomineralization and how you can be a better advocate for science with officials at all levels of government.



## Ask A Scientist - Argonne National Lab Tour

APS View of Administrative Building 401 and Auditorium (right circular building)



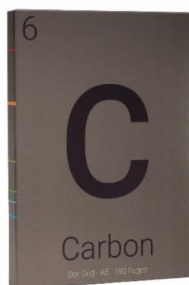
Join tour guides Dave and Denise Hooper to learn more about working at Argonne National Lab and see some of their most impressive scientific equipment, including the Advanced Photon Source (APS) and the Argonne Tandem Linac Accelerator System (ATLAS). The recording can be accessed [here](#) or you can find the link (and other fun and educational chemistry information) on our [Community Affairs webpage](#).

## Career Opportunity with LyondellBasell in La Porte, TX - Experienced Quality Control Chemist

LyondellBasell is searching for an enthusiastic BS chemist with multiple years of experience. This is a fast-paced position, serving all of the production units at La Porte (SynGas, Methanol, Olefins, Acetic Acid, Vinyl Acetate Monomer, LDPE, LLDPE, and new HDPE). [More details are available on the LyondellBasell careers website.](#)

Candidates with questions can also email Jennifer Jamison, Chemist, [atc20h10n2@gmail.com](mailto:atc20h10n2@gmail.com) and she will answer as best she can. From Jennifer: "I've been with LYB a little over three years, with about 18 total years in the petrochemical industry. No two days are the same. As a chemist, it is my goal to provide analytical equipment and methods that yield exquisite service to the plants with prompt and accurate results."

## Last Chance to Guess the Molecule - December Clue



Have you been playing along? December is the last month to enter your answers to our monthly guessing game for a chance to win a chemistry-themed prize pack, containing an Elemental Paper journal (A5 size, dot grid), Chemistry Models Yearly Planner (Cognitive Surplus, undated), and a custom element symbol keychain (Nestled Pine Woodworks, Etsy). The winner will be announced in our January newsletter.

This time of year, many people smell me around their houses as they like to bring trees indoors. I'm found in both alpha and beta.

What compound am I? Answer must be submitted [here](#) by 11:59 pm on December 31, 2021 to be entered for the drawing.

November's Answer: Zinc Oxide

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