

## Conference Announcements



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### Rejuvenating the Learning and Teaching of Chemistry 30 November–4 December 2002, Melbourne, Australia

The Royal Australian Chemical Institute's Division of Chemical Education is holding its national conference during 30 November to 4 December 2002 in Melbourne, Australia. The theme of the conference is "Rejuvenating the Learning and Teaching of Chemistry."

The conference will be of interest to both high school and university teachers, and includes a dedicated day for high school teachers (and student teachers) concentrating on "new developments in chemistry" (co-sponsored by the Chemistry Education Association). Other presentations and workshops which will be of interest to high school teachers are spread throughout the program.

The Division is planning a prize for the best lecture or poster presentation by a student or high school teacher. Note that November/December is spring/summer in Australia.

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### 4th Florida Heterocyclic Conference 10–12 March 2003, Gainesville, Florida, USA



The first three Florida Heterocyclic Conferences in March 2000, 2001, and 2002 brought together the academic and industrial communities with an abundance of information on heterocyclic chemistry. These conferences reflected the current interest in the subject, particularly from the industrial chemical community, where pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals, and colorants usually contain at least one heterocyclic ring.

This, the fourth conference, continues in the tradition of its highly successful predecessors. On the first day (10 March), Professors Dan Comins and Alan Katritzky will give a six-hour lecture course on heterocyclic chemistry. This will be an opportunity for chemists who are not familiar with all aspects of heterocyclic chemistry to gain an insight into the fundamental concepts underlying the subject.

A poster session combined with a buffet supper will follow on the evening of 10 March. On the second and third days, experts from academia and industry have been invited to present results from their latest research.

Organic and medicinal chemists of Ph.D. or MSc level, especially industrial chemists from the pharmaceutical, biotech, agrochemical, colorants, flavors, and fragrances industries are encouraged to attend.

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### 12<sup>th</sup> IUPAC International Symposium on Organo-Metallic Chemistry (OMCOS-12) 6–10 July 2003, Toronto, Canada



This symposium continues a long and distinguished series of IUPAC-sponsored symposia in an important interdisciplinary area of organometallic chemistry and catalysis. OMCOS-12 will seek to bring together researchers from around the world in academia and industry to share the latest results in chemistry involving carbon-metal bonds and their utility in organic synthesis. The area of catalysis, organometallic reagents, synthesis using catalysts and reagents, and materials science have been selected as primary themes. The symposium will explore the impact of new reagents and catalytic processes on pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals, and materials science, as well as provide scientists with a fundamental understanding of chemical reactivity.

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