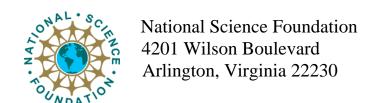
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Dear Colleague Letter - Collaborative Research in Chemistry, FY2009 and beyond

Dear Colleague,

The Collaborative Research in Chemistry (CRC) Program was created in 2001 to support collaborative research at the forefront of chemistry. At this time, the Division of Chemistry has decided to move collaborative research proposals back into the disciplinary "core" of chemistry and review these proposals in the context of other proposals (individual and collaborative) submitted to a disciplinary program.

Collaborative proposals may be submitted to any of the Chemistry Disciplinary Research Programs (Organic and Macromolecular Chemistry; Inorganic, Bioinorganic and Organometallic Chemistry; Analytical and Surface Chemistry; Physical Chemistry) during the usual Chemistry proposal submission windows. These proposals may be co-reviewed by several Chemistry programs or by Chemistry in partnership with other NSF divisions.

Principal Investigators considering submitting a collaborative proposal are strongly urged to contact a cognizant program officer. Contact information is available at the NSF Division of Chemistry website.

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