**News**

**Helma Wennemers**, currently professor at the Department of Chemistry, University of Basel, has been appointed as Professor of Organic Chemistry at the Department of Chemistry and Applied Biosciences, ETH Zurich.

**SGCI Chemie Pharma Schweiz Changes Name to scienceindustries**

Scienceindustries is the new name of the Business Association Chemistry Pharma Biotech. The new name emphasizes on its commitment to make Switzerland a world-leading site for production, research and business in the fields of chemicals, pharmaceuticals and biotech. Christoph Mäder, Chairman of scienceindustries, comments: “Under our new name we, as a leading export industry, intend to send a clear signal for scientific research and development in Switzerland. In this way, we are reinforcing our claim to continue making a major contribution to the quality of life and prosperity in Switzerland thanks to internationally competitive innovations. Each year, we invest more than 7 billion francs in research and development, equivalent to about 44 per cent of private investment on research in Switzerland.” scienceindustries comprises over 250 companies which operate in the fields of Life Sciences and Material Sciences.

**Conferences/Workshops/Symposia**

**BioTech 2011 / Chemical Sensors Forum**
Bioprocess Analytics and Sensor Technology
1.–2. September 2011, Wädenswil
www.biotech2011.ch

**ICCE 2011 EuCheMS International Conference on Chemistry and the Environment**
11.–15. September 2011, ETH Zürich
www.icce2011.org

**25. Spektrometertagung (Spectrometry Conference)**
26.–28. September 2011, Schaffhausen
www.spektrometertagung.ch

**Lectures**

**Departement Chemie der Universität Basel**

Anorganische und Organische Chemie
Departement Chemie, Universität Basel, kleiner Hörsaal
Organische Chemie, St. Johans-Ring 19, CH-4056 Basel
Donnerstag, 17.30 h

15.9.2011
Basler Chemische Gesellschaft
Prof. Dr. Gregory L. Challis
Department of Chemistry, University of Warwick, UK
‘Mining microbial genomes for new natural products and biosynthetic pathways’

**Departement Pharmazeutische Wissenschaften der Universität Basel**

Lecture Hall 1, Pharmazentrum, Klingelbergstrasse 50, Basel
Mittwochs, 17.00 h

21.9.2011
PD Peter van Hoogevest
Managing Director & COO, Phares Drug Delivery AG, Muttenz
‘Phospholipids as solubilizers for intravenous administration of poorly water soluble drugs’

28.9.2011
Prof. Roderich Süssmuth
Technische Universität Berlin, Institut für Chemie, Berlin, D
‘New drugs from natural products – Structure, biosynthesis and engineering’

**Département de Chimie organique, Université de Genève**

Auditoire A-100, Sciences II, Quai Ernest-Ansermet 30, Genève
Jeudi, 16.30 h

15.9.2011
Prof. Per-Ola Norrby
University of Goteborg, Sweden
‘Mechanistic Investigations in Homogeneous Catalysis’
Laboratorium für Organische Chemie
der ETH Zürich

Hörsaal HCI J 3, ETH Campus Science City (Hönggerberg),
CH-8093 Zürich
Montag, 16.30 h, anschliessender Apéro, Gäste sind
willkommen

26.9.2011 Prof. Dr. Kenichiro Itami
Dept. of Chemistry, Graduate School of
Science, Nagoya University, Japan
‘Challenges in Arene-Assembling
Chemistry’

Novartis Chemistry Lectureship

Horburg Auditorium, WKL-430.320, Müllheimerstrasse 195,
CH-4057 Basel
Mittwoch, 10.30 h

14.9.2011 Prof. Arun K. Ghosh
Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA
‘Harnessing the power of organic synthe-
sis to address the challenges of today’s
medicine’

Syngenta Chemistry Lectures

Syngenta Crop Protection, WST-810-E-75, Schaffhauserstrasse,
CH-4332 Stein
Donnerstag, 10.00 h

15.9.2011 Prof. Peter Kündig
University of Geneva
Title to be announced