Science reporter, C&EN (Singapore)

The American Chemical Society is the world’s largest scientific membership association and one of the top ten science publishers in the world. The Publications Division of the American Chemical Society provides to its members and the worldwide scientific community a comprehensive collection of high quality information products and services for the practice and advancement of the chemical sciences. The Division publishes a weekly magazine, over 50 high–quality scholarly journals focused on chemistry and chemistry-related topics, and peer-reviewed books developed from ACS symposia (ACS Symposium Series).

C&EN (Chemical & Engineering News) produces authoritative, award-winning journalism about the world of chemistry, including coverage of recent advances in research, education, industry, funding, and regulatory policy. It is published by the American Chemical Society (ACS), the world’s largest scientific society dedicated to a single discipline, and is widely considered one of the major benefits of membership. C&EN’s weekly print magazine reaches approximately 154,000 members of ACS, and its daily website receives more than 7 million page views per year.

ACS International is currently seeking a Science Reporter, C&EN based in Singapore.

Responsibilities:

- Write (in English) news and feature stories about the molecular world for an audience of chemists and chemistry enthusiasts; focus of stories will be mainly on chemistry research and education in Singapore and Asia as a whole.
- Conduct interviews and gather information that leads to accurate (fact–checking required) and balanced stories, whether they’re published in print, online, or in video/audio form.
- Develop and maintain a network of contacts, particularly in Asia, to identify must–read stories for C&EN’s audience about trends in cutting–edge chemistry research and education.
- Travel to scientific meetings in Singapore and elsewhere in Asia to find sources and stories for C&EN.
- Work with the science desk editor and C&EN’s creative team to conceptualize illustrations, graphics, and other audio/visual elements that will accompany stories in print and online, with an eye toward mobile presentation.
- Working with C&EN’s audience engagement editor and colleagues in C&EN, ACSi, and marketing teams across the society, select and/or adapt content for social channels (WhatsApp, Facebook, WeChat, etc), with an eye toward deepening engagement with Singaporean and Asian chemists and advancing ACS’s membership goals in the region.
- As needed, translate or validate translations of C&EN stories into Mandarin.
- Represent C&EN at events in Singapore and elsewhere in Asia on an as–needed basis.

Required skills:

- Strong storytelling, oral communication, and reporting skills.
- Ability to gather and analyze information from a variety of sources, including interviews and scientific papers, with attention to detail.
- Ability to conceptualize and create visual, shareable content of interest to a scientifically sophisticated audience.
- Ability to thrive in a fast–paced, deadline–driven environment.
- Ability to manage multiple priorities and to work as part of a team.
- Knowledge of and comfort with using social media to engage audiences.

Required experience:

- Bachelor’s degree in chemistry, biochemistry, or closely related scientific field; education in journalism is desirable.
- Three to five years of experience in science writing or science communications.
- Demonstrated experience creating social and multimedia content.

Along with a resume, applicants must submit three samples of their published work; multimedia examples are welcome. Applicants should also submit a cover letter explaining why they’re right for the job and what they’ll bring to C&EN. Send all materials to l_wolf@acs.org after submitting resume. ** To apply for a position, please submit your cover letter and CV to careers@acs–i.org