May 3rd UC Berkeley Interdisciplinary Conference in Green Chemistry  The second annual interdisciplinary conference in Green Chemistry was very successful with over 150 people registering for the event. Many of the days talks were video captured and can be found on the conference website along with select slide presentations.

May 4th Workshop to Announce the Development of the Interdisciplinary Network for Green Chemistry (IN4GC)  As a part of our ongoing work to promote interdisciplinary approaches to green chemistry, we joined McGill University and the ACS Green Chemistry Institute along to announce a coordinated effort to advance the study of Green Chemistry in the social sciences and business schools. To find out more and to join this network please visit our website. When you join the network you will be able to access and contribute to discussions, presentations, and curricular material.

BCGC Publications and Press  Associate director for Policy and Law, Alastair Iles has recently published two articles related to Green Chemistry including one with Marty Mulvihill considering the opportunities and challenges of Green Chemistry research. Alastair was also recently recognized with the Graduate Assembly’s Distinguished Faculty Mentor Award. In exciting news from Switzerland, we recently found out that the Berkeley Public Library of Materials (PLuM) database is being used by regulators in Switzerland to help identify chemicals of concern.

ACS Announces a New Journal that will Cover Green Chemistry Research:  ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering  The new journal will launch in January 2013, under the leadership of the Editor-in-Chief David T. Allen. This online-only journal will cover life-cycle assessment, green chemistry, alternative energy, green innovative manufacturing, and harnessing waste as a resource. For more information you can read the full press release here.

Call for Green Chemistry Abstracts!  There are a number of upcoming meetings being put on by a diverse group of organizations who are all interested in more Green Chemistry Speakers. So do something exciting and go to a conference that you have never attended before!

1) International Conference on Bioinspired and Biobased Chemistry & Materials  endorsed by the Materials Research Society, to be held from October 3 to October 5, 2012 in Nice (France). The conference will cover topics concerning the biomimicry approach to materials chemistry and the use of biobased raw materials.

2) 33rd Annual Meeting of Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry  SETAC, will be in Long Beach California, November 11-15. Green Chemistry folks may be interested in the session, “Safer Consumer Products: Advancing Green Chemistry in California and Beyond” organized by recent BCGC conference presenter Cory Robertson of HP.
Upcoming Events and Conferences

1. **Conference on Life Cycle Engineering 2012**, May 23-25th held at University of California Berkeley in Berkeley, California. The scope of the conference is to review and discuss improvements, new developments and future directions in research and industry by providing an international forum for researchers.

2. **International Cradle to Cradle® conference San Francisco May 24-25**, The International Cradle to Cradle community pays tribute to the people of San Francisco and its mayor for their commitment to the future.

3. **ACS Green Chemistry and Engineering**: Washington, DC. June 18th-20th.

4. International Conference of Environmental Pollution and Remediation: August 28th-August 30th in Montreal, Canada. [Click here for more details](#).