## The Chemistry Preprint Server: An Experiment in Scientific Communication



The Chemistry Preprint Server (CPS) is a major new initiative for the chemical community - a freely available and permanent web archive, and distribution medium for research articles in the field of chemistry.

The CPS is hosted by ChemWeb.com, the online resource for the chemical community. Registration to and membership of ChemWeb.com is free, and allows access to a wealth of information and services – including scientific journals and databases, shopping mall, conference diary, careers center and a daily webzine *The Alchemist*.

All users of the CPS will need to be ChemWeb.com members – registration is free of charge at <u>http://preprint.chemweb.com</u>.

The CPS was developed by closely following the Los Alamos archives, which cover physics and related disciplines. In setting up the service ChemWeb.com has constantly referred to the Open Archive initiative for e-print archives and has applied for the CPS to be recognized as a compliant data provider by the Open Archive.

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