

# Biography



## **Bonnie Charpentier**

President of the American Chemical Society

Bonnie Charpentier is President of the American Chemical Society. She previously served on the ACS Board of Directors, including as the Chair of the Board. She has served on and chaired a variety of Society committees and task forces at national levels, as well as being active in local sections, divisions and regional meetings. At the local level, she has been instrumental in establishing chemistry workshops for teachers, workshops on interviewing skills for students, and an outreach program for hands-on chemistry with children in homeless shelters.

She is currently Senior Vice President of Regulatory and Compliance at Cytokinetics, Inc., in South San Francisco, California, a company dedicated to the discovery and development of novel small molecule therapeutics that modulate muscle function. In that role she is responsible for Regulatory, Quality and Drug Safety Departments.

Prior to Cytokinetics, Bonnie worked in drug research and development at other companies, including Syntex and Roche, and as an analytical chemist at the Procter and Gamble Co. She holds a B.S. degree in anthropology and a Ph.D. in Plant Physiology.

In her ACS work, Bonnie has emphasized the importance of communicating the value of chemistry through public outreach and education. She is a strong advocate for high quality services for members including career services and continuing education. She supports ACS programs that focus on expanding ACS's legislative advocacy through member involvement, and on increasing effective collaboration between industry and academia, and between ACS and other professional societies. She is passionate about the importance of public service, and about turning molecules into medicines.