The work will involve one or more aspects of the following:

- Interactive team environment is required as is a passion for science and technology.
- The ability to work in a very flexible manner is required.
- The successful candidates need to be willing to learn new techniques and technologies.
- The ability to work with limited supervision.
- Under the guidance of a Principal Investigator, the Microbiology Lab Technician will be responsible for conducting microbiome-related research and experiments.
- They will also be responsible for the electronic documentation of their research.

Skills in planning experiments and time management are also desirable.

- At least two years of laboratory research experience is required.
- Microgram scale enzymatic assays in microbiology or biochemistry techniques.
- Software such as MS Word, Excel, and equipment interfacing programs.
- Sterile techniques and experience in the isolation and cultivation of microorganisms.
- Enrichment and isolation of microbes from environmental, animal and human samples.
- Understanding viral structure to pathogenesis, and development of vaccines and therapies.
- It reminds me of the famous and relevant quote at this time from the third season. "Consider chemistry among the most useful of sciences, and big with future discoveries for the utility and safety of the human race".

The 2022 National Chemistry Olympiad exam for the Delaware section of the ACS will be held Wednesday, April 27, 2022, from 8 am to 2 pm at Archmere Academy. High school chemistry teachers may nominate their top one or two chemistry students to participate in this challenging exam. The exam includes a multiple choice section, a free response calculations section, and a self-directed lab exercise. The USNCO website lists eligibility requirements for students and posts copies of past exams.

The new website for the Delaware ACS section has been transformed and enriched with relevant resources. For more information, visit delawareacs.org. To request a nomination form, contact Sharon Archer at sarcher@archmereacademy.com.

Nominations for the 2022 award will close June 30, 2022. The Nomination Form is Available Here
A Better Year in 2021?

When I retired in 1996, I had a diagnosis of prostate cancer. I opted for surgery to get the disease under control. After the surgery, a further two years were needed to know it was over. While I was handling the cancer, I was also dealing with a detached retina in the right eye — not a fun experience. Luckily my surgery went well and the retina was repaired.

Then in 2007, I had a detached retina — not a fun experience! Luckily my surgery went well and the retina was repaired. But then I had another chapter starting. I was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation, which I am told is an electrical problem in the heart that can create a blood clot. The atrial fibrillation was not serious at first. Then I developed a heart murmur, which may have been caused by the atrial fibrillation. This got me thinking about the importance of heart health. I am now taking heart medicine to prevent a blood clot. I will be testing this medicine for a year. The medicine I am taking may have some side effects, but for now it is working to keep heart disease at bay.

However, let's not forget the important role played by plastics in modern medicine. I even have proposed a ban on such items!

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Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Executive Committee Members & Committee Chairs

Present:

Anuj Kumar, Zhen Yang, Jing Qu, Melanie Brennan, Joseph Izzo, Erin Kennedy, Robert Mishur, John Gavenonis, Martha Hollomon, Kim Huynh-Ba, Nora Radu, Andrea Martin, Rita Vasta

Executive Committee Members & Committee Chairs Absent:

Maggie Schooler