The 2023 Northeastern Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society (NERM2023) was held on the campus of Northeastern University on June 14-17 and featured an amazing program of keynotes, symposia, poster sessions, workshops, exhibits, and special events. This monumental effort put forth by an amazing group of NESACS, and neighboring local section, volunteers resulted in the hosting of over 1100 attendees from 11 different countries and 40 different states around the U.S to give over 450 oral presentations and 170 posters. The meeting featured not 1, not 2,...but 4 Plenary Speakers that embodied the overall theme of “Chemistry: Crossing Intersections”. From the kick-off Plenary provided by Professor Stuart Schreiber on ‘The Rise of Molecular Glues’ to the closing Plenary by Dr. Elizabeth O’Day on the role superheroes played in her leadership journey, we were thrilled to welcome so many amazing scientists, students, and colleagues to celebrate the way chemistry has impacted so many parts of our lives. We know that this was not possible without the support of NESACS Leadership, the entire NERM2023 planning committee, the ACS Regional Meetings Staff, Northeastern University, and our generous sponsors. Thank you to all that contributed your time, efforts, and energy towards celebrating “Chemistry: Crossing Intersections” during NERM2023!

Lori Ferrins, Matt Grandbois, Andrew Scholte
NERM2023 General Co-Chairs
NERM Conference 2023 Photo Album

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NERM Conference 2023 | Day 1

Stuart Schreiber

NERM2023 attendees listening to Prof Schreiber’s presentation in Ell Hall at Northeastern University

Mckenna Gibson and Sarah Zingales from the University of Saint Joseph at the opening poster session, sponsored by NESACS

NERM2023 attendees listening to Prof Schreiber’s presentation
Ynhi Nguyen from Worcester State University

Amarachi Osuji and Nicki Batistatou from Tufts University with Thandi Buthelezi from Wheaton College

Jessica Li from Binghamton University

NERM attendees at the poster session
Lyra Macek, Charlotte Bedford, Mark Turnbull, Benjamin Mukda, and Mather Graci

Andrew Scholte, Katherine Lee, Seann Mulcahy, Daljit Matharu, Srinivasa Karra and Marc Janes

Otto Holbrook and Brittany Brems from Northeastern University

Madison Mcminn from Northeastern University at the YCC table

Vernar Beatty and Shantesse Dortch from American Chemical Society
NERM23 Photo Album - Day 1 (continued)

Sonja Strah-Pleynet, Katherine Lee, and Felicia Lucci

UMass Boston representatives at the Grad School Fair

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Day 2

ACS Cope Scholars Symposium

Marisa Blauvelt from Springfield College

Overlooking central assembly area at NERM
The exhibition was located at the heart of the meeting and provided the attendees with ample opportunities to connect with the vendors.

NERM attendees at the poster session
Dr. Alexa Dembek gave a wonderful plenary on Creating Value at the Intersection of Innovation & Sustainability
Olaia Marti Mari from Northeastern University

Thomas Wales, Lori Ferrins, Christopher Rice, Brian D’Amico and Eberechukwu Nwagwu

Lysander Wagner, Monja Schilling, Alexandra Tietze, Claudia Catapano, Karen Deli Jose Hindricks, Jens Breffke, Melina Dilanas, David Johannes Hauck, and Elisabeth Kapatsina at the NERM23 poster session

Katrin Beuthert from Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

Christopher Cunningham from Boston University
NERM attendees seized the opportunity to mingle between sessions

NERM attendees listening to the plenary by Alexa Dembek

Yuliya Marusyk, Madison Mcminn, Kat Poisson, Pascal Engelhardt, Simon Hilker, Lukas Appelhoff and Karen Deli Jose Hindricks

Hayden Motter, Vinou Val, Caroline Millard, Jasmyn Genchev and Reagan Thompson all from Northeastern University

Tyler Stack, Brisa Mendoza, Emma Mortara, and Audrey Long from Providence College

Alexa Dembek, William Carroll, and Matthew Grandbois
NERM attendees enjoyed refreshments during the coffee breaks

NERM attendees were engaged at the poster session

NERM23 attendees snapped on their way to the plenary session
NERM23 exhibition

One of the 9 technical tracks that were running concurrently during day 3 of NERM

NERM attendees at a bustling poster session

Srirupa Chakraborty engaged in conversation with one of the NERM attendees at the poster session

Ann Nalley and Dorothy Phillips attend Prof Cato Laurencin’s plenary on Regenerative Engineering Convergence and Innovation

ACS President, Judith Giordan, speaking with Caroline Sotério at her poster
One of the 9 technical tracks that were running concurrently during day 3 of NERM

Olaia Marti Mari, Christopher Rice, Janis Busse, Marco Mottinelli, Jasmyn Genchev, Caroline Millard, Jyoti Chauhan, and Jackie O’Neil gathered outside the ballroom where the poster sessions were held

Elisabeth Kapatsina (leader of the GEX Contingent), Ann Nalley, and Sonja Strah-Pleynet (NESACS Chair)

Katherine Lee presenting on the ACS Board of Directors

Andrew Scholte (NERM Co-Chair) with GEX participants, Monja Schilling and Lysander Wagner
Judith Giordan, Robert Perni, and Katherine Lee

Attendees engaged during Day 3 technical session at NERM23

Patrick Gordon and Sherrillene Pinnock-Kariuki

NERM23 Day 3 was full of technical presentations.

Attendees observe Plenary presentation by Cato Laurencin on NERM23 Day 3

Dorothy Philips engaging with attendees prior to Day 3 Plenary by Cato Laurencin
Cato Laurencin presented Day 3 Plenary on his groundbreaking research into regenerative medicine.

NERM23 Program Chair Sean Mulcahy with poster session attendees.

Diego Alzate-Sanchez, Brian D’Amico, and Timothy Dransfield at the poster session.

NERM23 attendees in one of the many technical sessions that were held on day 3.
NERM Conference 2023 | Day 3 - Award Dinner

Warren Hull celebrated his award as the 2023 E. Ann Nalley Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society with family and friends at the awards dinner.

Alyssa Thomas, and ACS President Judith Giordan present Parul Kumar with the ACS Division of Chemical Education Northeast Region Award for Excellence in High School Teaching.

Parul Kumar was recognized with the ACS Division of Chemical Education Northeast Region Award for Excellence in High School Teaching, and celebrated with members of the ACS, friends and family.

Katherine Lee and Judith Giordan present Dr. Jack Driscoll and Mr. Michael Riley, (not present) with the Partners for Progress and Prosperity Northeast Region Award.
Albert Horvath (ACS Chief Executive Officer) gave opening remarks at the NERM23 awards dinner.

Dr. Carol Mulrooney served as the MC for the evening.

Ann Nalley gave the opening remarks for the E. Ann Nalley Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society with Mary Carroll (ACS President Elect 2023), and Judith Giordan (ACS President 2023).

Ann Nalley, Mary Carroll (ACS President Elect 2023), and Judith Giordan (ACS President 2023), present Warren Hull with the E. Ann Nalley Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society.
Ann Nalley pictured with Warren Hull who was recognized as the 2023 E. Ann Nalley Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society.

Attendees at the awards dinner.

Warren Hull with his the 2023 E. Ann Nalley Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society plaque.

Alyssa Thomas (NERACS Chair) and Bill Carroll (Past ACS President) with Parul Kumar and guests at NERM23 Awards Dinner.
ACS Staff, NERM23 General Chairs, and Program Chair celebrated the successful meeting. Tracey Rawlings-Bonner, Vernar Beatty, Andrew Scholte, Shantesse Dortch, Lori Ferrins, Matthew Grandbois and Seann Mulcahy

Back row: Lori Ferrins, Judith Giordan, Crystal Mayo, Dorothy Phillips; Front row: Robert Perni, Al Horvath, Daniel Oehme, Carol Mulrooney

Matthew Grandbois, Natalie LaFranzo and Seann Mulcahy shared a table at the awards dinner

Warren Hull celebrated his award with family and friends at the NERM23 awards dinner

NERM meeting co-chairs Andrew Scholte, Lori Ferrins and Matthew Grandbois, with program chair, Seann Mulcahy
Robert Perni, Judith Giordan, and Julie Smist attending Awards Dinner

Matthew Grandbois, Natalie LaFranzo, Lori Ferrins and Alyssa Thomas at the awards dinner

Leon Smook, Jackie O’Neil, Andrew Scholte, Muzaffar Maksumov, Pascal Engelhardt, Milena Dilanas, David Johannes Hauck, Simon Hilker
Daniel Oehme and Daljit Matharu shared a laugh at the awards dinner.

Top L to R: Jannika Lauth, TBD, Andrew Scholte, Jens Breffke, Claudia Catapano, Tom Gilbert, Lukas Appelhoff, Elisabeth Kapatsina, Pascal Engelhardt, Alexandra Tietze, Simon Hilker, Milena Dilanas, David Johannes Hauck, Katrin Beuthert, Monja Schilling.

Bottom L to R: Lipin Ji, Lysander Wagner, Karen Hindricks, Jackie O’Neil
Carolyn Leverett, Katherine Lee, and Michelle Garnsey attend the celebration of women in chemistry lunch.

Tiffany Hoerter (ACS Staff), and Albert Horvath (ACS Chief Executive Officer) at the celebration of women in chemistry lunch.

Attendees in the women in chemistry session.
Attendees enjoyed lunch at the women in chemistry celebration

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Dorothy Phillips, Ann Nalley, and Tyrslai Williams-Carter at the Women’s lunch

Attendees and organizers of the women in chemistry celebration
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Sonja Strah-Pleynet, Seann Mulcahy, Lori Ferrins, Andrew Scholte, Matthew Grandbois and Katherine Lee

Robert Perni at the Pharmaceutical Value Chain Workshop

Presentation at NERM 2023

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Katherine Lee
Lukas Appelhoff and Sonja Strah-Pleynet at the International Reception

Dr. Elizabeth O’Day gave the closing plenary on “Hard-work, comic books & metabolite biomarkers transforming precision medicine”

NERM attendees listening to Elizabeth O’Day’s plenary

Lori Ferrins presenting in the “ADME Properties Optimization: Some Success Stories” session
Matthew Grandbois and Judith Giordan

Matthew Grandbois

Dr. Barnabas Gikonyo was recognized with the Stanley C. Israel Northeast Region Award for Advancing Diversity in the Chemical Sciences. He is pictured with Dorothy Phillips, and his wife

NERM attendees at the Pharmaceutical Value Chain Workshop

Presentation at NERM 2023