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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University's Earl H. and Marian A. Beling Professor of Chemistry Ram Mohan has been appointed as an associate editor of the Green and Sustainable Chemistry (GSC).

The GSC covers subjects relating to reducing the environmental impact of chemicals and fuels by developing alternative and sustainable technologies that are non-toxic to living things and the environment. The editorial board, which will now include Mohan, draws from professors across the globe, from countries such as China, Spain, India, Morocco, Italy, Poland, Hungary and the United States.

Mohan's research at Illinois Wesleyan focuses on developing environmentally friendly organic synthesis using bismuth compounds. Bismuth and its compounds are remarkably non-toxic and attractive from a green chemistry perspective. As an associate editor, Mohan will recommend papers for publication in the journal and review submitted manuscripts.



*Earl H. and Marian A. Beling Professor of Chemistry  
Ram Mohan*

A 1985 graduate of Hansraj College in Delhi, India, Mohan earned a master's degree in organic chemistry from the University of Delhi in 1987 and his doctorate in chemistry from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, in 1992. He conducted his postdoctoral research at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Mohan has received several research grants from The National Science Foundation, the ACS and the Research Corporation. His 2004 article in the international journal *Tetrahedron*, co-authored with IWU undergraduates became one of the 50 most-cited articles for this journal from 2004-2007.

In 2006, the Chairmen of the European Research Council selected Mohan to attend a chemistry workshop in Belgium. In 2003, and again in 2010, he received the Young Observer Award from the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry, one of eight chosen from the United States. Mohan's research on green chemistry has also been recognized by the Pfizer (St. Louis) Green Chemistry Award. This year, he was named the 2011 Chemist of the Year by the Illinois Heartland Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS).

During his time at Illinois Wesleyan, Mohan has authored 50 articles with IWU undergraduates as co-authors. He has been invited to speak at universities and institutes worldwide.

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