

# Chemistry undergraduates: 10 reasons why you should use the Chemistry Library!

**1. Access throughout the day with your University Card\***

**2. Online library catalogue to find printed and electronic books and journals**

**3. Great IT facilities for scanning, printing, copying, with wifi**

**4. Friendly and knowledgeable staff – ask us anything!**

**5. 7,000 books, 30,000 journal vols. + series monographs on the shelves**

**6. Access to major bibliographic and subject databases**

**7. Modern yet comfortable and quiet study environment**

**8. Website and blog for the latest on new resources and services**

**9. Help to get items that aren't available in Cambridge**

**10. Borrow an iPad or Android tablet!**

**Find out more over the page →**

**Making the best of the Chemistry Library: a short induction for undergraduate chemists – book a place!**

<http://www.training.cam.ac.uk/chem/>

**We look forward to seeing you in the Chemistry Library soon!**

**Clair Castle, Librarian, and Mike Todd-Jones, Deputy Librarian**

**Tel. 36329, email [library@ch.cam.ac.uk](mailto:library@ch.cam.ac.uk), web <http://www-library.ch.cam.ac.uk/>**

### **1. Access throughout the day with your University Card**

The library is located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Centre for Molecular Informatics. You can apply for out of hours access, ask library staff for details\*.

### **2. Access to online library catalogues**

Search for printed and electronic books and journals throughout the university, and renew your books online via *LibrarySearch* <http://search.lib.cam.ac.uk/>. (A mobile interface and Facebook, CamTools and iGoogle apps for *LibrarySearch* are also available from <http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/search-and-find/library-toolbox>).

### **3. Great IT facilities**

22 PCs. 2 Macs. Multi-functional photocopier/printer/scanner device (email scans as PDF to yourself for free!). Plenty of power for laptops. Wireless network (UniOfCam, Eduroam).

### **4. Friendly and knowledgeable staff**

One full-time and one part-time librarian dedicated to helping you with all your information needs, e.g. finding the books and articles you need, advice on reference management, using social media, searching databases, techniques for keeping up with the latest research in your field, etc. Just ask us! The Library Office is usually staffed 9.30am-5pm Monday to Thursday, 9.30am-4pm on Fridays.

### **5. 7,000 monographs, and 30,000 journal volumes and series monographs on the shelves, as well as access to many e-books**

Self-issue machine for borrowing and returning books. Register your University Card with us and you can borrow 10 books for 4 weeks (including up to two 3 day loan books, see below). We purchase all the recommended undergraduate texts (Blue Book collection - 3 day loan or for reference only). Many books are also available via *LibrarySearch* as e-books, and see <http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/ebooks/>.

### **6. Access to online journals, and major bibliographic and subject databases**

Access thousands of online journals, citation databases (e.g. *Web of Science*, *Scopus*), and specialist chemistry related databases (e.g. *SciFinder Scholar*, *Reaxys*), to find scientific literature and chemical data, via [eresources@cambridge](mailto:eresources@cambridge) at <http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/eresources/index.php> or by following the links from our website. You are invited to recommend journals and databases for purchase.

### **7. Modern, yet quiet and comfortable study environment**

The practical space offers a pleasant environment to work or browse in, with comfy seating and 81 study places available. A nice, quiet space you can escape to from the lab or office.

### **8. Help to get items that aren't available in Cambridge**

In the event that the book, book chapter, or journal article you need is not held in the University you can quickly request a loan via the University Library or Medical Library's document supply account with the British Library, for only £3, see <http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/collections/departments/inter-library-loans> or <http://www-library.ch.cam.ac.uk/request-items-not-held-cambridge>. You can also recommend books to us for purchase.

### **9. Informative website and blog, and we're on Twitter**

Please visit the Chemistry Library website <http://www-library.ch.cam.ac.uk/>, visit our blog <http://cambridgechemlib.wordpress.com/>, and follow us on Twitter at [@chemlibcam](https://twitter.com/chemlibcam) for the latest information on new library facilities, resources and services, and anything which helps you do your research efficiently.

### **10. Borrow an iPad or Android tablet!**

For use in the library only, to access journals or use databases etc. via downloaded apps or the Internet.

**Your 2016-17 representatives on the Committee for the Library and Scholarly Communication are:**

**Part II: TBC**

**Part III: TBC**