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CAS AND HBZ RENEW SCIFINDER SCHOLAR(tm) AGREEMENT

Mitteilung des Chemical Abstract Service (CAS)

CAS Research Tool Delivers New Search and Analysis Options to 65
German Academic Institutions

For the fifth consecutive year, CAS and the hbz consortium, the North-Rhine Westphalia Service Centre for Libraries of Germany's largest state (Hochschulbibliothekszenrum des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen), have renewed an agreement to provide SciFinder Scholar, the premier academic research discovery tool, to 57 universities and 8 Bachelor schools in Germany. In addition to providing ongoing access to CAS databases, the most comprehensive chemical and related scientific information, SciFinder Scholar will, by this summer, include new options and features of SciFinder(r) 2007 to enhance the exploration of CAS' resources.

"We are delighted that the hbz consortium is making SciFinder Scholar widely available in Germany and look forward to a continued partnership in the years to come," said Dr. Schomburg, leader of the hbz SciFinder Scholar consortium and Deputy Chief of the hbz. "German students and so many others around the world will find the new elements of SciFinder Scholar enjoyable and easy to use, resulting in highly productive and thorough research."

For more than 30 years, the hbz has provided services and development for university libraries as well as for other library types in and beyond North-Rhine Westphalia. The hbz is meeting its objectives in close cooperation with its customer libraries. In addition, and on a

regional and supra-regional level, it collaborates with institutions and organizations, including librarianship and IT sectors. Based in Cologne, Germany, hbz mediates access to 65 academic institutions.

Among other capabilities, SciFinder Scholar 2007 features will permit researchers to:

- Combine answer sets for substances, reactions and references - researchers will be able to combine answer sets in SciFinder Scholar, to arrive at a focused set of answers; for example, references for a given research topic can be combined with the results of an author search; options to "combine," "intersect," or "remove" answer sets allow the user to include only the desired answers from the saved and active sets.
- Explore from substance display - for added convenience, researchers will be able to easily capture a chemical structure from a substance answer display, then use it to search by structure in the massive CAS Registry(sm) database.
- Print structures in thumbnail display format - multiple chemical structures can be printed in a grid arrangement for an efficient comparative view.
- Categorize Analysis Tool - This new feature allows the customer to group references based on intuitive and focused scientific categories. References can be more clearly grouped by similar themes, making browsing and navigation of the literature easier. Both substances and concept indexing are utilized in this new tool.

Save SciFinder Answers - researchers will be able to save search results in a convenient, re-usable format allowing them to be re-opened in a later SciFinder Scholar session.

SciFinder Scholar is a desktop research tool that provides campus-wide access to the world's largest and most comprehensive databases of chemical information from CAS, with an ease of use never before seen in universities. Leading universities worldwide are now providing SciFinder Scholar to chemistry and life sciences faculty and students to facilitate their research using the same SciFinder technology that has become "part of the process" for researchers in industry and government around the world.

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CAS, a division of the American Chemical Society, provides the world's largest and most current collection of chemical and related scientific information, including the most authoritative database of chemical substances, the CAS Registry. CAS combines these databases with advanced search and analysis technologies to deliver the most complete, cross-linked and effective digital information environment for scientific research and discovery, including such products as SciFinder, SciFinder Scholar, STN(r), STN Express(r), and STN(r) AnaVist(tm), among others.

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Über das hbz

Seit mehr als drei Jahrzehnten steht das hbz für Wissen, Information und Innovation im Bereich des Bibliotheks- und Informationswesens. Das Ziel des hbz liegt in der effizienten Umsetzung von kundenorientierten Informationsdienstleistungen. Als verlässlicher Partner für Bibliotheken ist das hbz eine Dienstleistungs- und Entwicklungseinrichtung, die in engem Zusammenwirken mit seinen Kunden an der konstanten Weiterentwicklung bestehender Systeme, deren Leistungsfähigkeit und hoher Stabilität arbeitet. Innovative Tendenzen und aktuelle Entwicklungsansätze greift das hbz auf und bietet hierfür Lösungen an.

