



September 2024

Subject: Invitation to support QOMSBOC 2024 which will be held at the University of Toronto on November 8–10, 2024

Dear Colleagues,

We cordially invite you to attend and support the 34th annual Quebec/Ontario Mini-Symposium for Synthetic and Bioorganic Chemistry (QOMSBOC 2024). This year's QOMSBOC will take place at the University of Toronto, St. George Campus, from November 8–10 2024. Continuing the success of the 2023 QOMSBOC conference, we will be collaborating with the Eastern Canada Chapter of Empowering Women in Organic Chemistry (EWOC) for various conference events including a career panel to highlight the diverse talent in the chemical community.

About QOMSBOC: QOMSBOC is a highly regarded symposium organized annually by synthetic and bioorganic research chemists from Quebec and Ontario, Canada. Hosted by a different academic institution each year, QOMSBOC provides a platform to present innovative research, with a particular emphasis on graduate students, undergraduates, and postdoctoral researchers. The primary mission of QOMSBOC is to inspire and contribute to the training of the next generation of exceptional young organic and bioorganic chemists. We have included a copy of the conference booklet from a previous year to give you an idea of the scope and quality of past QOMSBOC conferences.

About EWOC EastCan: EWOC (Empowering Women in Organic Chemistry) is an organization that recognizes, identifies, and helps retain women in organic chemistry. Established in December 2021 with the support of other chapters, the Eastern Canada Chapter, (EWOC EastCan), aims to build a supportive network and connect women in chemistry and non-binary people and their allies in Ontario, Québec and the Maritime provinces. The chapter's mission aligns with EWOC's core values, striving to promote excellence, facilitate collaboration between academia and industry, share personal experiences, and host workshops. The chapter seeks to inspire and drive diversity within the chemistry domain. The EWOC EastCan Board is comprised of several students, academics, and industrial chemists across Eastern Canada.

Request for Your Support: To encourage participation from graduate students, QOMSBOC aims to keep conference registration fees low. In the past, the symposium has relied on generous support from industrial sponsors to cover the costs of securing a venue, catering, and Plenary Speaker travel expenses. By sponsoring QOMSBOC 2024, your organization can make a significant contribution to nurturing the future generation of skilled scientists. In return, QOMSBOC offers an exceptional



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platform for promoting your organization, attracting talented individuals, and fostering potential collaborations with researchers across Ontario and Quebec.

QOMSBOC 2024 at the University of Toronto: QOMSBOC is a three-day event that will feature seminars by three distinguished Plenary Speakers: Prof. Tianning Diao (New York University), Dr. Rebecca Green (Bristol Myers Squibb), and Prof. Hans Renata (Rice University). Over 20 presentations by graduate students and postdoctoral fellows will also be featured in the program. Additionally, we anticipate around 100 poster presentations by graduate, undergraduate, and postdoctoral researchers. The conference will offer numerous opportunities for trainees to connect with industry delegates through industry-led booths, a career panel discussion presented by EWOC, networking events, and a conference dinner. QOMSBOC traditionally attracts approximately 200 attendees from more than a dozen universities, including the University of Toronto, University of Ottawa, Université de Montréal, University of Waterloo, and many others.

Sponsorship Categories: We offer several sponsorship categories, each designed to provide appropriate recognition for your organization's support:

Category	Support	Benefits & Recognition
Silver	<\$500	Company logo and link featured on the event website and program.
Gold	\$500-\$1000	All the above, with the company logo displayed in a larger size and projected in the lecture hall between sessions.
Platinum	\$1000-\$1500	All the above, <u>plus</u> a booth on-site at the conference.
Rhodium	>\$1500	All the above, <u>plus</u> your logo on our website positioned in a featured sponsor window, <u>plus</u> the opportunity to sponsor student awards.
Other	Variable	Sponsor a coffee break, meal, social event, or student award(s). Contact us to feature your company in our programming!
EWOC	Variable	Sponsor equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) initiatives at QOMSBOC 2024 in collaboration with the Eastern Canada Chapter of Empowering Women in Organic Chemistry (EWOC).



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We sincerely hope that your company will consider supporting QOMSBOC 2024 to help make this another fantastic symposium. If you would like to split your sponsorship across different initiatives (e.g. general conference sponsor and EWOC EastCan support), please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sophie Rousseaux'.

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