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The Department of Chemistry at Purdue University is among the most distinguished chemistry departments at any university, with a storied tradition of research in frontier areas of virtually every area of modern chemistry. The department is one of the largest in the United States, with over 50 faculty members and approximately 300 students. The department boasts two Nobel Prize winners: Herbert C. Brown and Ei-ichi Negishi. Many other faculty members have achieved international recognition for their scholarly achievements. This presentation will highlight some of the department's signature research areas, with an emphasis on two areas: homogeneous and heterogeneous catalysis, and chemical instrumentation. Some of this research is done under the auspices of the Negishi Brown Institute for Catalysis, which supports multidisciplinary, collaborative work in molecular catalysis. Much of the department's research is conducted in collaboration with researchers at other academic units at Purdue, especially the School of Chemical Engineering. Faculty in the Department of Chemistry are engaged in collaborative work across the globe, with significant collaborative activity involving institutions in Asia, Europe, South America, and the Middle East. Opportunities and avenues for launching Sanew collaborative ventures will be described.

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