



## ASMS Forum Guidelines

*For help with using our forums, please review our ASMS Forum Helpful Tips and Tricks.*

The American Society for Mass Spectrometry is a community of scientists, students and researchers who are welcome to use these forums to learn and share new information, to discuss with each other the tenets of their scientific, academic or social lives, and to educate their fellow peers through the power of discussion and resource sharing.

With that in mind, we ask that all members please follow these simple rules to create a professional and academic atmosphere:

- All information, research or instructions given within these forums is to be used at your own risk. ASMS Staff or its forum moderators do not audit the validity of any claims made in this forum. By utilizing any of this information, you give up the right to hold ASMS or its moderators liable for any damages relating to its use.
- Most forums are categorized by Interest Group areas. Please post your questions or messages in the appropriate forum or topic. There is also one General Forum.
- If a topic or reply is posted in a forum that is not appropriate for the forum, the ASMS Staff or its moderators have the right to move that topic or reply to another relevant forum.
- The posting of any copyrighted material claiming on our forums is strictly prohibited.
- The posting of any commercial marketing material on our forums is strictly prohibited. Posting links in order to generate affiliate commissions is not permitted within the ASMS Forums. Any posts that are deemed to be posted in order to generate affiliate commissions, regardless of the product being promoted, will be deleted. If a user continues to create affiliate SPAM posts, they will be banned.
- When posting, please use proper grammar. Refrain from 'text-message' style substitutions of words like 'u' for 'you', and 'ur' for 'your'. To read our forum, our non-english speaking members must use translation software which is incompatible with these abbreviations.
- There will be no use of profanity on our message boards. This will not be tolerated and can lead to immediate suspension from the forum.
- There will be no racial, ethnic, gender based insults or any other personal discriminations. This will not be tolerated and can lead to immediate suspension.
- There will be no posts meant to offend or hurt any other member, in a manner which is offensive or inflammatory.
- Spamming is not permitted; please keep all your posts as constructive, professional or academic as possible.