

Biographical Portrait

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Jay S. Siegel received his Ph. D. from Princeton working with Kurt Mislow. He was a Swiss Universities Fellow at ETH Zurich, with Professor Jack. D. Dunitz, and NSF-CNRS postdoctoral fellow at the University of Louis Pasteur in Strasbourg with Jean-Marie Lehn. He began as Assistant Professor of Chemistry in 1986 at UCSD, was promoted to Associate Professor in 1992 and Full Professor in 1996. In 2003, he was appointed as Professor and co-director of the Organic chemistry institute of the University of Zurich (UZH) and Director of its laboratory for process chemistry research (LPF). He served as Dean of Studies and Head of the Research Council for the Faculty of Sciences at UZH. In 2013, he moved to Tianjin University as Dean of Pharmaceutical Science and Technology, and Qianren Scholar.

Prof. Siegel was a US-NSF Presidential Young Investigator in 1988, an American Cancer Society Jr. Fellow in 1990, an Alfred P. Sloan Fellow in 1992, and an Arthur C. Cope Scholar by the ACS in 1998. He was elected fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1998, and fellow of Royal Society of Chemistry in 2007. He was visiting professor at Princeton, Caltech, University of Basel, the Weizmann Institute and Tokyo Institute of Technology. He has served on numerous society, foundation and journal advisory boards often as president. He has run grant panels and award programs for the US-NSF, EU-ERC, France-ARES and IUF, Saudi Arabia-KAUST, RGC-Hong Kong and Switzerland.

His research focuses on the area of molecular design and synthesis His specialty is structural chemistry and stereochemistry of supramolecular architectures.