

VISION To be the leader organization in providing scientific and technical expertise, advancing development and education in the chemical sciences, so as to contribute to the economic and social development of Puerto Rico, Latin America and the international community.

## MISSION

To develop and defend the Chemistry profession, maintain professional excellence and ethics, promote unity among its members, and enhance its image at local and international level.

Governance CQPR is directed by a Governing Board which includes delegates from: industry, academy, government and private non industrial sectors.

# COLEGIO DE QUÍMICOS DE PUERTO RICO

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### CHEMICAL EDUCATION AND EXPERTISE

CQPR provides the required continuing chemical education to licensed chemists in Puerto Rico offering courses during the annual PRCHEM Conference, for which a special Revista is produced. Courses are offered also through the year, complemented with an online program.



El Epicentro de la Química y la Educación en el Caribe del 30 de julio hasta el 2 de agosto de 2025

Special activities for enhancing scientific chemical knowledge are organized through college level student chapters and work with chemistry teachers. CQPR provides chemical expertise to communities as part of its commitment to the relevance of science to address societal situations.

### BRIEF HISTORY

The Colegio de Químicos de Puerto Rico, CQPR, was established in 1941 through Act 153 of the Puerto Rican Legislature, as a successor to Asociación de Químicos de Puerto Rico (1931 to 1943), which included pharmacists and chemical engineers. Currently, CQPR is composed of licensed chemists and Chemistry professors, active in the governmental, industrial and academic sectors of the economy. CQPR conducts its activities in Spanish.

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

CQPR joined IUPAC in 1999 and, in 2011, it successfully hosted IUPAC's General Assembly as well as the 2011 World Chemistry Congress. CQPR is member of FLAQ, Federación Latinoamericana de Asociaciones Químicas, which is composed of 17 national chemistry organizations. In 2008, CQPR hosted its Congreso Latinoamericano de Química (CLAQ) and will organize CLAQ2028, as well. CQPR is a regular collaborator with the ACS-Puerto Rico Chapter and with ACS, at large.

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