



# the fission product

THE RHODE ISLAND SECTION OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY  
"THE FIRST SECTION"

Vol 72 No. 1

March 2022

## RWU Department of Chemistry Gagliardi Family Distinguished Seminar Series



**Dr. Holden Thorp**  
Editor-in-Chief  
Science Family of Journals



**Life during COVID: curating a robust  
scientific record during chaos**

**Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**3:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

**RWU Bristol Campus**

**School of Law – Appellate Courtroom – Room 283**

**Reception MNS Foyer – 2:00 p.m.**

# Holden Thorp

Holden Thorp became Editor-in-Chief of the *Science* family of journals on 28 October 2019. He came to *Science* from Washington University, where he was provost from 2013 to 2019 and where he is Rita Levi-Montalcini Distinguished University Professor and holds appointments in both chemistry and medicine. Thorp joined Washington University after spending three decades at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC), where he served as the 10th chancellor from 2008 through 2013.

He earned a doctorate in chemistry in 1989 at the California Institute of Technology, working with Harry B. Gray on inorganic photochemistry. He completed postdoctoral work at Yale University with Gary W. Brudvig, working on model compounds and reactions for the manganese cluster in the photosynthetic reaction center. He holds an honorary doctor of laws degree from North Carolina Wesleyan College and is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Inventors, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Thorp is a venture partner at Hatteras Venture Partners, a consultant to Ancora, and is on the board of directors of PBS, the College Advising Corps, and Artizan Biosciences.

## This Event Is Free and Open To The Public

Directions & Parking Information: <http://www.rwu.edu/maps-directions>

Questions? Contact Dr. Cliff Timpson [ctimpson@rwu.edu](mailto:ctimpson@rwu.edu)



---

### Rhode Island Section Officers for 2022

**Kathleen Siok, *Chair***

86 Spring Rd, North Kingstown, RI 02852-1650  
(401) 885-1608  
[kathys5@cox.net](mailto:kathys5@cox.net)

**Susan Meschwitz, *Secretary***

Salve Regina University, Newport, RI  
(401) 341-3121  
[susan.meschwitz@salve.edu](mailto:susan.meschwitz@salve.edu)

**Glenn Thompson, *Treasurer***

33 Lawton Foster Rd S, Hopkinton, RI 02833  
(401) 212-6234  
[gthomps2@juno.com](mailto:gthomps2@juno.com)

**Peter Bonk, *Councilor***

27 Saratoga Avenue, Westerly, RI 02891,  
(401) 823-2025  
[peterjbonk@gmail.com](mailto:peterjbonk@gmail.com)

**Clifford Murphy, *Alternate Councilor***

Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI  
(401) 254-5657  
[cbmurphy@rwu.edu](mailto:cbmurphy@rwu.edu)

**Editor, *Fission Product***

James G. Magyar  
Physical Science Department, Rhode Island College  
Providence, RI 02908-1991  
(401) 456-9697, FAX 456-8396, [jmagyar@ric.edu](mailto:jmagyar@ric.edu)

**Members-at-Large of the Executive Committee**

Paul Czech  
(401) 865-2476 [pczech@providence.edu](mailto:pczech@providence.edu)

Elaine S. Magyar  
(401) 456-9747 [emagyar@ric.edu](mailto:emagyar@ric.edu)

Herb Katz  
(401) 942-4832

Louis Kirschenbaum  
(401) 874-2340 [kirschenbaum@chm.uri.edu](mailto:kirschenbaum@chm.uri.edu)

Paul Williard  
(401) 863-3589 [Paul\\_Williard@Brown.edu](mailto:Paul_Williard@Brown.edu)

Mark Zell  
(734) 424-9727 [zellm\\_98@yahoo.com](mailto:zellm_98@yahoo.com)

<http://www.ric.edu/faculty/organic/fission/>