

**§ 20501. Organization**

American Chemical Society (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

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## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
20501 .....	36:3201. 36:3207.	Aug. 25, 1937, ch. 762, §§ 1, 7, 50 Stat. 798, 799.

This section is substituted for the source provision for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate executed and unnecessary words.

The text of 36:3207 is omitted as executed and obsolete.

**§ 20502. Purposes**

The purposes of the corporation are—

(1) to encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner the advancement of chemistry in all its branches;

(2) to promote research in chemical science and industry;

(3) to improve the qualifications and usefulness of chemists through high standards of professional ethics, education, and attainments;

(4) to increase and diffuse chemical knowledge; and

(5) by its meetings, professional contacts, reports, papers, discussions, and publications, to promote scientific interests and inquiry to foster public welfare and education, aid the development of our country’s industries, and add to the material prosperity and happiness of our people.

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<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
20502 .....	36:3202.	Aug. 25, 1937, ch. 762, § 2, 50 Stat. 798.

**§ 20503. Powers**

The corporation may—

(1) adopt a constitution, bylaws, and regulations;

(2) fill vacancies;

(3) provide for the election of members and the division of those members into classes;

(4) receive property, hold the property absolutely or in trust, invest and manage the property, and use the property and income arising from it to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and

(5) do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of the corporation.

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<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
20503 .....	36:3203 (1st sentence). 36:3205.	Aug. 25, 1937, ch. 762, §§ 3 (1st sentence), 5, 50 Stat. 799.

Before clause (1), the word “may” is substituted for “shall have power to” in 36:3203 and “be, and the same is hereby, authorized and empowered to” in 36:3205 for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

In clause (1), the word “adopt” is substituted for “make” for consistency in the revised title. The word “regulations” is substituted for “rules, and regulations” to avoid redundancy. The words “its own organization” are omitted as included in “constitution, bylaws, and regulations”.

In clause (2), the words “created by death, resignation, or otherwise” are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (4), the words “by devise, bequest, donation, or otherwise, either real or personal” and “reinvest” are omitted as unnecessary. The words “use . . . to carry out the purposes of the corporation” are substituted for “apply . . . to the objects of its creation” for clarity and consistency.

Clause (5) is substituted for “all other matters needful and useful to promote the objects of the society” for consistency in the revised title.

**§ 20504. Cooperation with the military**

(a) INVESTIGATIONS, EXAMINATIONS, EXPERIMENTS, AND REPORTS.—When requested by the Secretary of the Army, Air Force, or Navy, the corporation shall investigate, examine, experiment, and report on any subject in pure or applied chemistry connected with the national defense.

(b) PAYMENTS.—The actual expense of those investigations, examinations, experiments, and reports shall be paid from amounts appropriated for those purposes, but the corporation may not receive compensation for any services performed for the United States Government.

(c) TITLE AND LICENSE.—Title to inventions and discoveries made in the course of those investigations, examinations, and experiments that the appropriate Secretary believes involve the national defense vest in the Government. The Government shall have unlimited license under other inventions and discoveries made in the course of those investigations, examinations, and experiments.

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## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
20504 .....	36:3204.	Aug. 25, 1937, ch. 762, § 4, 50 Stat. 799.

In subsection (a), the words “When requested by the Secretary of the Army, Air Force, or Navy, the corporation” are substituted for “The American Chemical Society shall, whenever called upon by the Army, Air Force, or Navy Department” because under 10:3013, 5013, and 8013 the Secretaries are the heads of the Departments. The Secretary of the Air Force is added because of section 207 of the National Security Act of 1947 (ch. 343, 61 Stat. 502).

In subsection (b), the words “shall be paid from amounts appropriated for those purposes” are substituted for “to be paid from appropriations which may have been made for that purpose by Congress” for clarity and to eliminate unnecessary words.

In subsection (c), the words “that the appropriate Secretary believes” are substituted for “that, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Air Force, or the Secretary of the Army” to eliminate unnecessary words.