

HUPO PUBLICATION COMMITTEE 2018 REPORT

A) Mission of the Publication committee:

The Publications Committee shall interact with the scientific journals and the scientists in the field of proteomics and shall establish and promote the vision of the corporation with respect to guidelines in publications related to proteomics and HUPO related activities. The Publications Committee shall oversee the Website and other electronic bases (e.g., Facebook, Twitter) established for sharing HUPO news and information with Members and the public.

B) Members for the 2017-2019 period:

Since the HUPO 2016 congress in Taipei, the Publications Committee is made up of the following members:

- Jean-Charles Sanchez (Chair), Switzerland
- Yu-Ju Chen, Taiwan
- Mark Baker, Australia
- Charles Pineau, France
- Yasushi Ishihama, Japan
- Michelle Hill, Australia
- Eric Deutsch, USA
- Lydie Lane, Switzerland
- Concha Gil, Spain
- Deborah Penque, Portugal
- Daniel Martins-de Souza, Brazil

C) 2018 working group activities:

The Publication committee was made of 5 working groups and 1 task force. The decision has been taken on the Merging of WG2 and WG5 into one new Working Group 2.

Here below are described their tasks and activities in 2018.

Working Group 1 (WG1): Define, draft, negotiate, and confirm agreements with Publishers including award opportunities (leader: Jean-Charles Sanchez).

During the previous period, 3 agreements were signed with 3 publishers (Elsevier, ACS and BMC) with their corresponding proteomics journals (Journal of Proteomics, Journal

of Proteome Research and Clinical Proteomics). The duration of the agreements is for 3 years (2017-2019) and include the sponsoring of a HUPO award of \$3000.- per year. An additional editor, ASBMB (Molecular and cellular Proteomics) also signed a three-year agreement with HUPO (2018-2020).

Discussion are still pending with Taylor & Francis (Expert Review in Proteomics), Wiley (Proteomics) and ASBMS (Molecular and Cellular Proteomics) for the 2018-2020 period. It Provide HUPO with \$3000 to support **the MCP Lectureship Award**. This award recognizes a scientist for presenting outstanding science at a plenary lecture of the annual HUPO world congress meeting. A list of at least three potential awardees will be provided by the HUPO local organiser to MCP and the finalist decided by mutual agreement. A commemorative plaque will be presented to the award winner and a monetary award of USD 3,000 at the HUPO local organizer to cover all the costs of the awardee (travel, Hotel, registration, ...). The journal editor (or other appointed staff member) will present the award to the winner along with the President of HUPO.

Wiley decided to discontinue the collaboration with the HUPO award initiative due to the proposed monetary sponsoring set up by HUPO.

Taylor and Francis are thinking about it.

Working Group 2 (WG2): Oversee the website and social media activities related to proteomics journals, proteomic scientists, innovations in proteomics, and publication standards Collect. It is also intended to promote HPP publications (co-leader: Charles Pineau, Daniel Martins-de Souza, Concha Gil, Deborah Penque).

During this period the website has been continuously up-dated including the HPP publications.

Working Group 3 (WG3): Provide B/D HPP articles to HUPOST (co-leader: Yasushi Ishihama, Michelle Hill)

In 2018, HUPOST format was changed to online articles communicated monthly by email. The separate B/D HPP Newsletter was discontinued, instead, both C and B/D HPP contribute articles to HUPOST. This format appears to be working well, with some positive feedback to HUPO Office.

Working Group 4 (WG4): Establish and promote the vision of the corporation with respect to standards in publications related to proteomics (co-leader: Eric Deutsch, Lydie Lane, Jean-Charles Sanchez).

The HUPO minimum information guidelines for publication (HPG) have been established; why?

All original manuscripts submitted to proteomics journals that contain large-scale protein/peptide information produced by mass spectrometry are required to comply with the proteomics journal-established guidelines. Most of the non-proteomics journals in life sciences do not or partially require additional information to help authors make their papers acceptable for publication. The HUPO minimum information publication guidelines (HPG) are intended to help both non-proteomics life sciences journals and authors to provide enough information to explain the experiments, to assess the reliability of the results and to support the results in a homogeneous compliant manner. The HPG publication guidelines are the minimum information suggested by HUPO and created by the HUPO publication committee based on the original Paris, Philadelphia and HPP data interpretation guidelines.

The HPG guidelines are published on the HUPO website <https://hupo.org/page-1757217>.

Task force 1: In addition to this 5 working groups, a task force was established led by Mark Baker to evaluate the opportunities and pitfalls to create an owned or official HUPO journal. This task force is composed of Mark Baker, Yu-Ju Chen, Daniel Martins-de-Souza, Lydie Lane, Concha Gil, Yasushi Ishihama and Jean-Charles Sanchez.

Large discussions and SWOT analysis were taking place covering all the issues associated to the launch of a HUPO journal. A report was presented to the HUPO executive committee for feedback. The EC and publication committee decided to invite a few journals for their inputs into possibilities of creating a new HUPO Journal. The task force has been closed and next working steps have been taken by WG1.

A few editors were contacted. Here below are the inputs of two of them.

Editor 1:

- Difficult to differentiate from other proteomics journals
- Too crowded
- Open access or subscription based? A mix of it would be preferable.
- To go from impact factor to social impact.
- Journey to PubMed at least two years.
- Extra income for the society very limited.

Conclusion: Editor 1 would be highly hesitant to launch a new proteomics journal, but if a tender is launched they will think about.

Editor 2: Waiting for feedback.



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