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NEWS ON MEMBERSHIP

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HOW TO BECOME A HUPO MEMBER:

Starting mid-March, anyone wishing to become a member of HUPO will be able to do so on our website, www.hupo.org.

Attention all HUPO

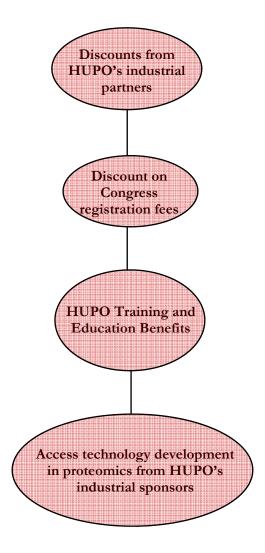
Founding members: your membership will expire on March 31, 2006. Please be on the look out for an email that will be sent out when the membership drive begins.

For the 2006-2007 year, the cost of individual membership will be USD\$50 however post-doctoral fellows will benefit from a substantial reduction and students will enjoy free membership.

All members will have priority registration for the Education and Training programs, as well as discounts on registration for selected programs and access to fellowships and subsidies.

As always, all members will receive HUPOST, the newsletter highlighting all HUPO news and activities.

Membership benefits include:



Queries regarding membership should be directed to HUPO HQ:

http://www.hupo.org/contact.asp



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear HUPO Members,

February was a busy month for HUPO and the upcoming months will be even more so.

Preparations for the upcoming 5th Annual World Congress in Long Beach, California are well underway. Registration for the Congress will begin in March. We anticipate that there will be more than 3500 delegates from over 70 countries this year. The HUPO Headquarters is presently working with ten National and Regional Proteomic Societies to assist them with travel award applications.

For our founding members who attended last year's Congress in Munich, I would like to encourage all of you to renew your membership as soon as possible. Details about membership can be found in this edition of the HUPOST as well as at www.hupo.org.

As elaborated on in the February edition, HUPO's Education and Training Committee has scheduled several events throughout 2006. Please visit our webpage, http://www.hupo.org/educational/ to find out details about the programs and to register. I recommend that you visit this page periodically because new programs will be coming on line.

HUPO's Executive Council

has also begun discussions with several companies in order to garner their assistance for HUPO's standards efforts. Details on HUPO's standards activities can be found in this edition of the HUPOST.

On a final note, I would like to personally acknowledge the strong support that the HUPO Headquarters has received from the following Canadian Institutes of Health Research: The Institute of Genetics; the Institute of Neurosciences, Mental Health and Addiction; The Institute of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes; The Institute of Infection and Immunity.

HUPO STANDARDS

HUPO Standards Effort Begins

The massive amounts and complexity of proteomics data defines a need for standardization.

Requests for developing standards in the field of proteomics have been echoed by journals, proteomic researchers, and industry interested in this field for quite some time. A Nature editorial September 8, 2005 (2005, 437: 169-170) indicated that HUPO would be required to set and maintain standards in the field of proteomics. Further, the editorial stated that these standards would need to be disseminated and implemented by HUPO's Education and Training programs.

Towards this goal, HUPO Initiatives and Committees such as the Proteomics Standards Initiative, the Publication Committee, Education and Training Committee, and Initiatives Committee, as well as National Proteomic Organizations, such as US

HUPO have begun to focus on standards

The ongoing efforts of the Proteomics Standards Initiative chaired by Rolf Apweiler and Ruedi Aebersold have led to the development of standards for data generation and presentation, including standardized formats for databases for proteomics.

HUPO's Publications Committee, chaired by Peipei Ping, has already begun dialoging with all journals to coordinate their publication standards with HUPO's standards.

HUPO's Education and Training programs at the University of Southern Denmark and at the University of Colorado Health Science Center will also support these efforts.

US HUPO is also playing a seminal role in the standardization effort. At its upcoming Congress March 12th-15th in Boston, there is a workshop schedule on March 12th entitled



"Measurement Challenges in Proteomics." These session, supported by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), has as its goal to survey (identify and prioritize) measurement needs that address the technical infrastructure and hurdles (measurement science, standards, and data) in the field of proteomics.

At the October, 2005 HUPO Initiatives meeting in Beijing, it was agreed that HUPO would put together a set of test mixtures with a view to determine specificity and sensitivity and send it to participating labs.

The last sentence from the Nature editorial deserves to be quoted, "At the end of the day, proteins, not genes, are the business end of biology." HUPO will meet the challenge to develop and implement the necessary standards in order to facilitate data comparison, exchange, and verification.

HUPO INITIATIVE CHAIRS

	Chair			
Initiatives	Co-chairs	Term		
Disease Biomarker Initiatives (DBI)	Chair: Sam Hanash	06/01/2004-12/31/2006		
- Cancer	Chair: Jan Schnitzer	01/01/2006-12/31/2007		
- CNS	Chair: Biao Chen Co-chair: Allen Tobin	01/01/2006-12/31/2007		
- Kidney	Chair: Tadashi Yamamoto Co-chairs: Mark Knepper Pierre Ronco Robyn Langham	01/01/2006-12/31/2007		
- Bioinformatics	Chair: Martin McIntosh Co-chair: Leonard Martens	01/01/2006-12/31/2007		
- Cardiovascular	Chair: Peipei Ping Co-chairs: Peter Liu Mike Dunn	01/01/2006-12/31/2007		
HPPP (Plasma)	Chair: Gil Omenn Co-chairs: Matthias Mann Young Ki Paik	11/01/2005-12/31/2006		
HAI	Chair: Mathias Uhlen	11/01/2004-12/31/2006		
(Antibody)				
HLPP (Liver)	Chair: Laura Beretta Co-chairs: Fuchu He Christian Brechot	11/01/2005-12/31/2007		
HMMD (Mouse models)	Chair: John Bergeron Co-chair: Tommy Nilssen	11/01/2003-12/31/2006		
HGPI (Glycomics)	Chair: Naoyuki Taniguchi Co-chairs: Hisashi Narimatsu Wilhelm von der Lieth James Paulson	06/01/2004-12/31/2006		
HBPP (Brain)	Chair: Helmut Meyer Co-chair: Young Oh	11/01/2005-12/31/2006		
PSI (Standards)	Chair: Henning Hermjakob Co-chairs: Ruedi Aebersold Randall Julian	11/01/2005-12/31/2007		

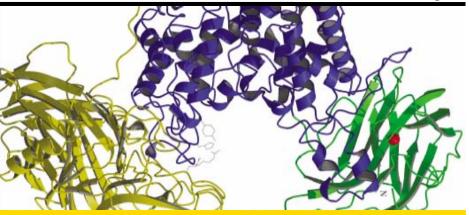
To find out more about each initiative or to contact the chairs and co-chairs, please see: http://www.hupo.org/research



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Long Beach Convention Center, California, USA

Saturday October 28th through Wednesday November 1st, 2006



HUPO 5[™] ANNUAL WORLD CONGRESS, LONG BEACH 2006 TRANSLATING PROTEOMICS FROM BENCH TO BEDSIDE

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THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Time	Saturday October 28, 2006	Sunday October 29, 2006	Monday October 30, 2006	Tuesday October 31, 2006	Wednesday November 1, 2006
8:00-9:30	* Education Session / Initiative Group Meetings		Opening Ceremony/ Keynote Address	Plenary Session	Plenary Session
9:30-10:00			Coffee Break/Posters	Coffee Break/Posters	Coffee Break/Posters
10:00-12:30			Plenary Session/ HUPO Initiatives	Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions
12:30-14:00	* Education Session	* 111100 01::1	Posters/Vendor Workshops	Posters/Vendor Workshops	Posters/Vendor Workshops
14:00-16:30		* HUPO Clinical Day/ Education Session	Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions
16:30-17:00			Coffee Break/Posters	Coffee Break/Posters	Coffee Break/Posters
17:00-18:30			Plenary Session	Plenary Session	HUPO Awards/ Keynote Session/ Closing Ceremony
18:30-19:30	* Vendor Sponsored		Workshops/Panel Discussions	Workshops/Panel Discussions	
19:30-21:00		* Vendor Sponsored Dinner/Events	Vendor Sponsored Dinner/Events		Banquet

^{*} DENOTES PRE-CONGRESS ACTIVITIES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 15 JULY 2006

SPONSOR/EXHIBITOR PROSPECTUS WILL BE SENT OUT IN MARCH

REGISTRATION OPENS SOON!!!

KEEP WATCHING <u>WWW.HUPO2006.COM</u>!!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

1st HUPO Biomarker Cardiovascular Initiative Workshop, March 11, 2006
[details]

US HUPO 2006

Second Annual Conference March 12-15 2006 Sheraton Hotel—Boston MA, USA

Abstract Submission



MARCH



World Microarray Congress 2006

March 24-25, 2006 Vancouver, Canada

[details]



6th Annual KHUPO Conference "From Bench to Clinical Applications" Konkuk University, Seoul, Korea March 30-31, 2006

Distinguished invited speakers include John J. M. Bergeron, Rolf Apweiler, Raymond J. Deshaies, Eugene. Kapp, Helmut E. Meyer, Peipei Ping, Jan E. Schnitzer, Richard J. Simpson and David W. Speicher.

APRIL

Joint PSI and Publications Committee Meeting, April 21-23, 2006

Details to be announced on www.hupo.org.

HLPP 3rd

Location: Bilbao, Bizkaia, Spain

Dates: May 4-5, 2006

Organizer: José M Mato - CIC bioGUNE

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The HUPO Newsletter aims to disseminate information throughout the proteomics community.

If you wish to contribute news, notices of events, or any other item, please feel free to forward it to HUPO Headquarters, using the link on the www.hupo.org website.

Any material submitted will be subject to approval by the HUPO Executive Committee and the Publications Committee.