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Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the Second E-Bulletin for 2011 (Spring for members in the Northern Hemisphere and Autumn for those South of the Equator)! Cryo 2011 is approaching fast. Corvallis in Oregon, USA, is gearing up to host us on the beautiful Oregon State University Campus. Details of the exciting scientific programme can be viewed. Check out the Web Site at <u>http://www.cryo-2011.org/</u>.

Latest news from the Local Organizing Committee

Registration and abstract submission are now open!! **The abstract submission deadline is May 2** and the **early registration deadline is June 1**. There will be a free afternoon during the conference and we are offering an excursion to the Oregon coast, which will include time for walking on the beach and a private dinner and tour of the Newport Aquarium.

Full details about abstract submission, registration and an updated meeting agenda, including a list of speakers in the keynote sessions, is available at the meeting website, <u>www.cryo-2011.org</u>.

What's New?

1. Student Travel Bursaries for Cryo 2011 – only a few days left to apply!!

The Society for Cryobiology is pleased to announce that we can continue to support Student Member applications to attend Cryo 2011. These generous bursaries are a fantastic way to help young Society members present their work and network with other young colleagues in Cryobiology. The process is straightforward and can be completed with ease. Full details can be found on the Cryo 2011 web site at http://www.cryo-2011.org. **Application Deadline is April 25th** - so hurry to get your application submitted if you have not already done so!!!

2. Society for Cryobiology joins Cambridge Healthtech Institutes Symposium on Biopreservation. As part of our drive to raise the profile of our Society and keep the Society involved in wider applications of cryo-sciences, the Board has agreed that we should join in the upcoming focus symposium on: Biopreservation : Ensuring the Viability and Productivity of Cell Lines in Boston on August 22nd & 23rd, 2011.

This is part of CHI Bioprocessing Summits and will include presentations from expert speakers on a range of topics in this important area of translational cryo-sciences. The Society for Cryobiology will be tagged as a Sponsoring Society and SfC members will be able to claim a discounted registration fee.

Full details can be found at: http://www.healthtech.com/ under 'Upcoming Conferences'.

Members' Services

The work is continuing with our Secretariat at Portland Customer Services to update and improve the

Society Web Site – still in progress but our site is still active during the upgrade: Need information? Go to: <u>http://www.societyforcryobiology.org/</u>

Want to publish your paper in Cryobiology?

Go to Member's Area and Publications - Details can be found for on-line submission or electronic access to past volumes.

· How about visiting and contributing to one of the Bulletin Board / Announcements sections?

Nominations for CryoFellows 2011 – Only a few days left to nominate!!

The annual election of CryoFellows is about to commence. This is a way to honour those Society Members who have made significant contributions to our field of science.

This category of Fellows is to recognize individuals who have had an exemplary impact on the field of cryobiology. This is aimed at raising the profile of the Society, as well as the individual elected, to a wider scientific audience. The individual shall be living at the time that he or she is nominated. Candidates will be evaluated on the basis of their scientific impact of their research on cryobiology, and the sustained nature of that impact. Also of importance is whether the individual has generated scientific offspring and has contributed service to the Society.

The 2011 CryoFellows nominating committee is now soliciting nominations for the appointment of new Cryo Fellows. I hope you will seriously consider taking the time to nominate someone you think deserves this honor.

CryoFellows are awarded this prestigious status in recognition of the following criteria, with the indicated approximate weights:

- 1--Scientific impact of their research on cryobiology: 50%
- 2--Sustained nature of that impact 20%
- 3-- Individual has generated scientific "offspring" 20%
- 4-- Individual has contributed service to the Society 10%

There is no formal application form on which to make the application, but the documents that are prepared should be of sufficient depth to support the candidate's contributions to the categories in a clearly demonstrable way. Nominations may be made by any members SFC. The nominators should first contact the proposed Cryo Fellow to discuss the nomination. A cv that supports the nomination, along with letters of support should be submitted together. Supporting letters from scientists outside the Society may also be included. Self-nomination is permissible.

Please send the nomination materials to **Dr. John Crowe**, Chair of the CryoFellows nominating committee, preferably by e-mail (<u>jhcrowe@ucdavis.edu</u>), by May 1, 2011. If you prefer to send hard copy, please use my home address (1111 Cottonwood Court, Davis, CA 96718, USA)

John H. Crowe Professor of Molecular and Cellular Biology, Emeritus University of California, Davis and President-elect, Society for Cryobiology

Other Cryo Meetings

There are also some upcoming meetings which may be of interest to our Members:

2nd International Congress on Controversies in Cryopreservation of Stem Cells, Reproductive Cells,

Tissue & Organs (CRYO). Palacio de Congresos, Valencia, Spain, April 7-9, 2011

For details visit : <u>http://www.comtecmed.com/cryo/2011/</u>

Society for Low Temperatuire Biology Annual Meeting. October 2011, London, UK

Details available soon on: <u>http://www.sltb.info/</u>

Looking forward to meeting you at Cryo 2011 in the coming months.

(If you have news or a wish to see other items in the E-Bulletin, let me know).

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