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Message From the Chair:

By Peggy Jones

Welcome to the Fall 2005 issue of *Biofeedback*. I hope everybody had some time for fun and relaxation – we have a busy season ahead of us! For those of you who would like to get involved in the division, please consider one of the liaison positions to SLA-wide committees. The SLA Leadership Development Committee and SLA Government Relations Committee both need DBIO involvement. Volunteering will allow you to see the association from a different perspective, meet information professionals with whom you might not otherwise have the chance to engage, and help the division greatly. Please contact me if you are interested at pmjones@childrensmemorial.org.

Christina Woodward, Program Committee Chair for the Toronto 2005 conference, has already been hard at work with her committee to ensure that the conference is an educational and networking opportunity for all attendees. DBIO is collaborating with several other divisions on programming, and we are sure to have something interesting for everyone from medical librarians to those in corporate and academic settings. It's not too late to get involved in programming! Contact Christina at CWoodward@nt.thc.on.ca. The conference will be held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, right in the heart of Toronto. SLA has made arrangements for conference hotels within easy walking/riding distance of events, and prices for next year's accommodations should be moderate.

The 2005 SLA Leadership Summit will be held in Tampa, FL, from January 26-29. Our Chair-Elect, Laura Osegueda, Program Committee Chair, Christina Woodward, and I all plan to attend. Anyone else who is interested in learning about leadership opportunities and honing their skills is also welcome to come. If you are interested, contact me for further details.

I will be working closely with the DBIO Public Relations, Publications and Membership committee chairs, the Web Page Subcommittee and *Biofeedback* editor

to promote the division's scope and activities to SLA members and to information professionals in general. Look for a survey towards the end of 2004 that addresses what the division is doing and can do to enrich the professional experiences of and educate its members and the profession as a whole, and that asks respondents to suggest ways that the division can assist them. If you are interested in working on a Web page taskforce, helping with the survey or becoming involved in other ways, please let me know.

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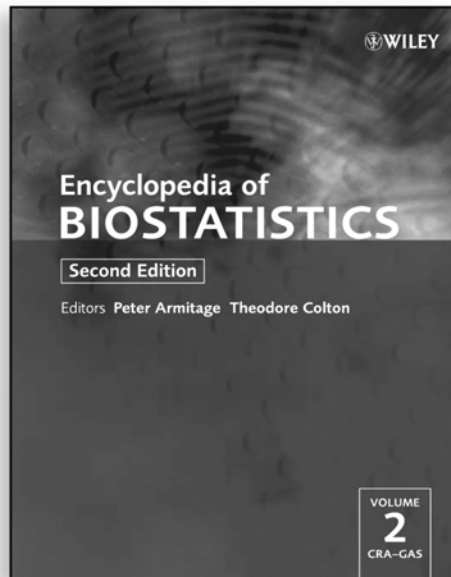
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Membership News

By Irene S. Laursen, Membership
Committee Chair

We are happy to welcome new members to the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division in recent months. SLA Headquarters has resumed regular notification of new members, so I am happy to report that profiles of new members will resume in the next issue of *Biofeedback*.

New Members of the Division

April – July 2004

Sarah R. Albert, Austin TX
 Ibrahim Z. Alsufyani, Saudi Arabia
 Nisa Bakkalbasi, Mahopac NY
 Angeline Beljour, Queens Village NY
 Dana Benini, New York NY
 Jacqueline S. Brown, Madison Heights MI
 Francesca J. Busch, Indianapolis IN
 Tara T. Cataldo, Gainesville FL
 Vicki L. Crom, Poway CA
 Julie M. Dinger, Minneapolis MN
 Jon Drucker, Wilmington DE
 Nita Ferree, Gainesville FL
 Susanna M. FitzSimmons, Urbana IL
 Michelle M. Foss, Gainesville FL
 M. Tahirih Fusscas, Falls Church VA
 Mary E. Goodwin, Gainesville FL
 Liga M. Greenfield, Richland MI
 Alex M. Hackbarth, Silver Spring MD
 Juliet A. Harland, Sheffield, United
 Kingdom
 Matthew Heller, Columbus OH
 Andres Heuberger, Watertown MA
 Marcie L. Jacklin, St. Catharines, Ontario,
 Canada
 Danielle Jacques, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
 David G. Keddle, Las Vegas NV
 Susan Keller, College Park MD
 Marc Light, Iowa City IA
 Jane S. McAllister, Mocksville NC

Nina S. McCleskey, Alexandria VA
 Susan Mullee, North Ridgeville OH
 Courtney P. O'Neal, Denton TX
 Sharon Oakes, Williamstown MA
 Joel J. Paulson, Glenview IL
 Peggy L. Ruppel, Gaithersburg MD
 Scott C. Serpas, Portland OR
 Joy Shanfield, Thornhill, Ontario, Canada
 Andrea I. Thomas, Chicago IL
 Barbara A. Vick, Arlington VA
 Robin Weber, Isanti MN

August 2004

Maureen M. Jennings, Somerville MA
 Andreanna E. Kounas, Shawnee Mission KS
 Julie K. Kwan, Sherman Oaks, CA
 Donald W. Lemke, Forest Hills, NY
 Sherry L. Lockwood, Kansas City MO
 Patricia W. Martin, Ann Arbor MI
 Kathryn E. Morrison, Mechanicsburg PA
 Shari Nazak-Dolan, Port Jefferson Station, NY
 Barbara Slavinski, Cincinnati OH

Officer Nominations

By Ruth Gustafson, Nominations and
Elections Committee Chair

The Nominations and Elections Committee (NEC) issued a call in the Summer 2004 issue of *Biofeedback* and via an August e-mail to BSDNET-L asking for nominations of Biomedical and Life Sciences Division members for the offices of Chair-Elect, Director, and Secretary for the upcoming Winter 2005 election. We are pleased to announce the following candidates for the upcoming elections:

Chair-Elect	Janet Weiss
Director	Barry Brown
Secretary	Jason Price

We would like to thank Janet, Barry, and Jason for their willingness to run for office and serve our Division. Further below you

will find *curricula vitae* for these three candidates which will also be included with the ballot mailings in January/February 2005.

Further nominations may be made by written petition of twenty Division members. Each nomination should include written acceptance (and submission of a resume) by each nominee. To allow inclusion in the balloting process, these additional nominations should be filed with the Nominations and Elections Committee by no later than January 1, 2005.

Please send these materials via e-mail to ragustafson@ucdavis.edu or via mail to:

UC Davis -- Shields Library
BioAg Sciences Ref Department
Ruth Gustafson
100 NW Quad
DAVIS CA 95616-5292

For more information, feel free to contact any NEC member:

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David Duggar DDugga@lsuhsc.edu
John Sisson jsisson@uci.edu

C.V. of 2005 Candidates -- Biomedical and Life Sciences Division

CHAIR-ELECT:
Janet C. Weiss

Present Position: Manager, Library Services,
Wyeth Research, Princeton, NJ

Education: BA, Psychology, University of
Wisconsin, Madison
MLS, Rutgers University
MA, Human Services Administration, Rider
University

Professional Association Memberships:

Special Libraries Association

Association Level:

H.W. Wilson Company Award
Committee 2001 – 2003

Biomedical and Life Sciences Division :

Public Relations Committee Chair
1997 - 1999

International Relations Chair 1999-
2000

Fund Development Committee
1995-1997 and 1998-2002

Student Relations/Career Guidance
Chair 2000-2002

Program Planning Committee
2002 – 2004

Pharmaceutical & Health Technology Division:

Employment Chair 2001-present

Program Planning Committee 2001-
present

Princeton-Trenton Chapter:

Treasurer 1989-1991

President-Elect/Program Vice
President 1991-1992

President 1992-1993

Fund Development Chair 1993-2000
Nominating Committee Chair 1998-
2000

Membership Directory Chair 2000-
2001

Consultation Officer 2001-present

DIRECTOR:**Barry N. Brown**

Present Position: Science Librarian; Head,
Access & Collection Services,
Mansfield Library, The University of
Montana, Missoula, MT

Education: BS and MS, Biological
Sciences, University of Alaska Fairbanks
MILS, University of Michigan

Professional Association Memberships:

Special Libraries Association

Biomedical and Life Sciences Division :

Continuing Education Committee,
1992-1993

Government Relations Committee
Liaison, 2001-2002

Membership Committee, 2004-2006

Nomination and Elections Committee,
Chair 1995-1996; Member
1994-1996, 2002-2004

Professional Development
Committee, 1993-1994

Program Committee, 1995-1997

Public Relations Committee, 1991-
1993

North American Benthological Society

Literature Review Committee Member,
1991- present

SECRETARY:**Jason S. Price**

Present Position: Life Science Librarian,
Claremont Colleges, CA and Adjunct
Assistant Professor of Biology, Harvey
Mudd College

Education: B.A., Biology and
Anthropology, Univ of Calif., Santa Barbara
Ph.D., Evolution, Ecology and Behavior &
MLS, Indiana University

Professional Association Memberships:

Special Libraries Association

Biomedical and Life Sciences Division:

2003- present

Student Relations/Career Guidance
Committee, 2003-2005

SciTech Division :

Assistant Archivist, 2003

Re-Charter President, SLA-Student
Group, Indiana University,
Bloomington (2003)

Travel Stipend Award; SLA
Conference, Indiana Chapter 2003

Association of College & Research Libraries:

Instruction Section: 1996- present

Regional Information Literacy
Immersion 2004 (Program Track)

Society for the Study of Evolution:

1994-present; presented at 1997 and
2000 National Conferences

Research interests:

1. Use statistics as consortial collection development tools
2. Use of bibliographic management software
3. Integrating information literacy into biology Sr. Thesis programs
4. Evolution of plant resistance to disease

A hope for Biomedical and Life Science Division's future:

Establishment/Strengthening of a formal mentoring program.

From the Medical Section

By Christopher Hooper-Lane, Medical Section Chair

One of the goals of the Division this year is to increase exposure of our Medical Section members and activities. To this end, as chair of the Section, I plan to offer a column in each issue of *Biofeedback* on Medical Section activities or issues/resources of interest to those of us in the health field. Please feel free to suggest topics or provide comments (even criticism) for inclusion. In this issue, I would like to introduce our two Medical Section officers and provide a glimpse of the wonderful diversity (=strength) of the Section membership.

First let me introduce myself: I am the Instructional Services Coordinator of the new Ebling Library at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The Ebling Library just opened in June and is merger of three campus health libraries (Medicine, Pharmacy, Clinical). Our chair-elect (and past-chair) is Bonnie Stephenson. Bonnie is currently the librarian at the Quest Medical Library for Quest Diagnostics Inc. and is based in San Juan Capistrano, California. Quest Diagnostics Inc. is the nation's leading provider of diagnostic testing, information, and services and performs more than a million tests every day, serving approximately half of the physicians and hospitals in the United States.

Two officers from different regions and organization types--is this indicative of our membership in general? To explore our

diversity, I surveyed the library affiliations and geographic location of our 200 Section members. Here is what I found:

Our distribution by organization type:
 33% of our members work in an academic setting (with and without hospitals)
 23% are corporate librarians
 19% work in hospitals or medical centers
 12% are affiliated with government entities, non-profit institutes, or academies
 21% don't really fit into any category

Section members by geography:
 36% from the East (DC on up to ME)
 27% from the Midwest
 18% from the West (CA is #1 with 29 members)
 12% from the Southeast
 4% from the Mountain West and Southwest
 3% from Canada
 and one from Hawaii!

Do some of these numbers surprise you? I find the fairly even distribution in both categories to be most eye opening. Certainly, this is the essence of the strength of SLA, the Division, and the Section--common issues and tribulations, differing opinions and solutions. The ultimate goal of the Medical Section is to bring these voices together in the health sciences.

Would you like to get involved in planning the Web site for the Medical Section of DBIO?

We are looking for a few volunteers (5-6) to formulate a plan for content and design. Your recommendations will be sent to the chairs of DBIO's "PR and marketing" committees for review, and then to the webmaster for implementation. Contact Peggy Jones at pmjones@childrensmemorial.org

Did you know?

By Claudia Lascar, Liaison to the Medical Library Association

1. *MedlinePlus* has a new page for librarians and trainers. The page includes links to training materials from NLM, NN/LM, and a zipped sample Interactive Health Tutorial for use in demos when there is no Internet connection available. You can now access the presentations from the "Seize the E-Journal: Models for Archiving" symposium organized by the Collection Development Section of the Medical Library Association. This Symposium took place on Wednesday, May 26, 2005 at the Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. (See <http://colldev.mlanet.org/Webliography.html>)
2. "Canadian Medical Association Journal - Journal de l'Association médicale canadienne" has launched in the August 17, 2004 issue, a series on "Tips for learning & Teaching Evidence-Based Medicine". According to the Evidence-Based Medicine Teaching Tips Working Group "The goal of this project is to assemble teaching approaches developed and used over a period of years by experienced EBM teachers and to put them into a form that will allow other educators to use them effectively". This journal is part of the PubMed Central collection.
3. Editors at 11 international science journals have imposed a new policy that will result in the public release of negative medical research that pharmaceutical companies often prefer to hide. The International Committee of Medical Journal Editors will require, as a condition for publication, that researchers register their studies in a public repository before undertaking clinical trials on volunteers. The policy applies to clinical trials starting after July 1, 2005. Current trials have until September 13, 2005 to do so, according to the editorial published in the September 16 edition of the *New England Journal of Medicine*, 351:1250-1251.
4. NIHSeniorHealth (<http://www.nihseniorhealth.gov>) has added a "printer-friendly" version. NIHSeniorHealth, launched in October 2003, is a partnership of the National Library of Medicine and the National Institute on Aging at the National Institutes of Health.
5. Michelle M. Volesko, New Jersey Hospital Association, Sarah Gable, MLA Chapter Council Chair and MLA have designed an "emergency preparedness partner program" for health sciences libraries, which will be available online soon. This partner program will be "a voluntary two-step approach to assist medical libraries in planning for library information services during a natural disaster, act of terrorism and/or local or wide-scale communication/electronic systems failure such as a black-out. Before such events occur, libraries can form partnerships and establish support mechanisms. Ideally a library should form two types of partnerships. Pairing with nearby libraries provides help within close proximity when only the individual library is affected. However, each library also needs at least one partner at some geographic distance to assure that the disaster does not impact your partner in the same way it impacts your library. In this way you can seek/provide assistance from/to a library or colleague should resources become inaccessible".
6. *Hypothesis*: The Journal of the Research Section of MLA is now available

online along with the archival issues.
<http://gain.mercer.edu/mla/research/hypothesis.html>

7. The next EAHIL (European Association for Health Information and Libraries) Workshop will be held in Palermo, Sicily June 23-25, 2005. The main theme of this workshop is "The Implementation of Quality Systems and Certification of Biomedical Libraries". The Web site for the Workshop and the call for papers can be found at <http://www.pa.izs.it/eahil/>.

Report from IFLA Health and Biosciences Libraries Section

By Jo Anne Boorkman

The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) held their annual conference from August 22-27th 2004 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The Health and Biosciences Libraries Section of IFLA had two business meetings during the conference. As a small section, members were delighted to have several observers/guests attend the meeting, including two library school students from the U.S. Chair Bruce Madge (UK) and Secretary Rowena Cowen (NZ) shared highlights from the Division II Standing Committee meeting. This year the Division will recommend three to five papers from programs presented by Division sections for inclusion in the *IFLA Journal*, and Health and Biosciences Section members recommended a paper presented at the Section's program for this. IFLA finances continued to be a concern for the organization. For next year's program in Oslo, Norway, speakers from the region will be expected to pay a single day registration unless sections pick up the registration fees.

To accommodate Section members who may not have access to email, the Section will need to provide a mechanism to distribute the newsletter in print to anyone who requests one. The newsletter, *Global Connections*, will continue to be distributed through the Section's listserv, medlibs@infoserv.inist.fr. IFLA will also begin a process of reviewing all sections, with a focus on how they are operated, their effectiveness in attracting new members, and how well they mentor members for roles in the association.

A highlight and major focus of the first business meeting was the presentation of two proposals to host the 10th International Congress of Medical Librarianship in 2009. Jane Ann Lindley, Director, Distributed +eLibrary, Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar presented an invitation for Qatar to host the meeting at their new facilities in Doha, Qatar www.qatar-med.cornell.edu. Janine Schmidt, University Librarian, and Heather Todd, Executive Manager for Biological and Health Sciences Library Services, University of Queensland Cybrary presented an invitation from University of Queensland Cybrary for the meeting to be held in Brisbane, www.cybrary.uq.edu.au. They had chosen the theme "Information, Influence and Impact 20/20 Vision – Positioning the Profession". Both proposals were well organized, detailed, and presented with enthusiasm. The Section made a recommendation to IFLA following the Conference. Official announcement of the host for the 10th ICML will be forthcoming from IFLA.

Invitations to upcoming meetings were also extended. The European Association for Health Information and Libraries is hosting the 9th European Conference on Health Information Libraries, 20-25 September 2004 in Santandor, Spain,

<https://ibio.humv.es/biblioteca/eahil/> ; the 9th ICML will be held in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, 20-23 September 2005, www.icml.org/?lang=eng. The theme for the meeting is “Commitment to Equity.” The Web site is open for submission of papers and meeting registration.

The Health and Biosciences Libraries Section gave a program with the theme “Health Literacy for All.” Five papers were presented: Empowering patients through health information literacy training (Rowena Cowen, University of Wellington, Wellington, New Zealand); Medical websites: potential tools for education, research and patient care in India (Raj Kumar, Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, India); Health information literacy and higher education – the Kings’ College London Approach (Margaret Haines and Gary Horrocks, Kings College, London, UK); Development and utilization of the medical information resources in China (Zhan Youzhang and Hao Hiyang, Medical Library of the Chinese People Liberation Army, Beijing, China); and Libraries and Text books: beyond a good read (Rossella Proscia, Ovid Technologies Ltd, London, UK). All papers were well presented and informative.

Again this year, the Health and Biosciences Libraries Section teamed up with the Sciences and Technology Section for a study tour day. These study tours provide participants with the opportunity to meet with local colleagues and visit their libraries. We were able to visit two libraries in the large Universidad de Buenos Aires system. Director Nancy D. Gomez and her staff gave the group a tour of the Biblioteca Central “Dr. Luis Federico Leloir” Facultad de Ciencias Exactas y Naturales. Highlighted were the new grant-funded Special

Collections facilities for proper housing of the library’s rare books and archival materials. Across the city, we visited the Medicine Faculty Central Library. Director Maria Teresa Di Vietro and her staff also provided us with a tour of the library, including their venerable history of medicine collection. The history of medicine physician/librarian had been to the U.S. National Library of Medicine to learn preservation and conservation techniques. However, lack of funds for proper housing and temperature control have proven to be a problem. Both libraries provide Internet access and local Web-based resources for their clientele, in addition to print collections. Students rely on the library for textbooks and well-worn textbook collections were evident. Since this is a public university, there are thousands of students on both campuses. Our group was presented with gifts at both libraries and treated to a light lunch at the medical library. Our colleagues in Argentina were all most gracious

With the Section’s focus on improving communications with colleagues in health and biosciences libraries, I will report Section activities and upcoming events throughout the year to the SLA Biomedical and Life Sciences Division’s listserv and *Biofeedback*. In turn, anyone with suggestions for the IFLA Health and Biosciences Library Section’s links to Web pages that illustrate good practices in teaching health information, news and other information of interest, should forward them to me at: jaboorkman@ucdavis.edu.

Upcoming International Meetings:

For those interested in an excuse for international travel, the following meetings may be of interest:

EAHIL Workshop: Implementation of Quality and Certification of Biomedical Libraries, Palermo, Sicily, Italy, 23-25 June 2005, <http://www.pa.izs.it/eahil/>

9th International Congress of Medical Librarianship (ICML9), Commitment to Equity, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil, 20-25 September 2005, <http://www.icml.org/?lang=en>

And for those who like to plan ahead...

10th European Conference of Medical and Health Libraries
Cluj-Napoca, Romania, 11th-16th of September 2006

EAHIL Workshop 2007. Cracow, Poland. September 11-14, 2007. (Preliminary date).

Book Review

By Lorri Zipperer, Publications Committee Chair

Aspirin: the Remarkable Story of a Wonder Drug

By Diarmuid Jeffreys
New York: Bloomsbury, 2004.
335 pgs. Indexed.
ISBN 1-58234-386-1.

The path to medical and pharmaceutical discovery can have the intrigue of a Ludlum novel. Often illustration through prose rather than academic description helps the lay reader to understand the enormity of the tasks that lead up to key achievement. Such is the case with *Aspirin: the Remarkable Story of a Wonder Drug*. The period it recounts doesn't have the immediate time frame as a Ludlum yarn, however. The tale--as richly documented and pieced together by Jeffreys--spans centuries. Beginning with Sumerian tablets and ending with 21st century financial

success, the book provides the reader with a sense of the scientific process involved in the development of medications while taking into account the political, economic and industrial influences that can play a part in the development of pharmaceuticals.

There is just enough chemistry, biology, botany, physiology, and medicine to keep the text rooted in its academic pot. Jeffreys has compiled a rich set of notes and bibliography that provide even deeper sources for those interested in understanding more of the science behind the discovery of Aspirin's potential as an over-the-counter medicinal powerhouse.

As with any good story, there is a rich and varied cast of characters that propel the plot along. Jeffreys was handed with a set that made telling the history all the more effective, including Reverend Edward Stone, Carl Duisburg, and Adolf Hitler. There is something here for everyone.

Do you like sharing your opinion?

The publications committee is looking for Division members who are interested in writing reviews for the *Biofeedback* book review column. The reviews are for titles selected by the committee that cover the range of subjects of interest to the Division and its sections. They appear quarterly and are generally 300-400 words in length. Reviewers get to keep a copy of the book they review in return for their contribution.

If you are interested, please provide Lorri Zipperer, Chair, Publications Committee with a full mailing address and contact information request.

Send your information to lorri@zpm1.com

Product Review

By Bebbie Rhodes, Vendor Relations Committee

Wiley InterScience Current Protocols Online

http://www.interscience.wiley.com/c_p/index.htm

Introduction

Wiley's *Current Protocols* provide scientists with research standards in laboratory settings. The series started in 1987 with *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology* and now includes 12 titles. The titles include protocols for Bioinformatics, Cell Biology, Cytometry, Human Genetics, Immunology, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Molecular Biology, Neuroscience, Nucleic Acid Chemistry, Pharmacology, Protein Science, and Toxicology. There is also an archive of the *Current Protocols in Food Analytical Chemistry*. John Wiley & Sons and Wiley InterScience publish these laboratory manuals. Each title relates to a specific subject and is written by contributors respected in their fields. The protocols are lab tested and reviewed by the editorial board of each title to ensure that the methods can be reproduced within other laboratory settings. The titles come in loose-leaf format, CD-ROM and Web based. The information is the same no matter the format. The print loose-leaf format is updated quarterly (*Current Protocols Immunology* is updated bi-monthly). The CD-ROM and Web based formats are also updated quarterly.

This product review will focus on the *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*. At the Institute for Genomic Research (TIGR) we have subscribed to *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology* in print for a number of years. This year we went online with this

title and two others, *Current Protocols in Protein Science* and *Current Protocols in Bioinformatics*.

Product description

The strength of the protocols is the methods and techniques that they provide for laboratory research. The protocols provide step-by-step information with additional tips and information for modifying the procedure, depending on the equipment that is being used or the desired result. There are materials lists to ensure that you have everything necessary to perform the work. There are also detailed recipes for reagents, culture media and solutions. The contributors also provide additional information for planning and troubleshooting. Complex procedures have tables and figures to provide additional clarification. The Appendices provide supplemental reference material.

The print format of the *Current Protocols* comes in binders, most of them multi-volume sets. The *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology* is a four-volume set of binders arranged by volume, chapter and then unit. There are appendices and an index at the end of the set.

Most of the titles are available on CD-ROM. The CD-ROM versions are available for single users on a stand-alone computer or on a network for up to 40 users in a department or laboratory. There is also a *Current Protocols Intranet* version that is available for institutions with Windows NT servers. Users of the CD-ROM versions receive new CDs with each update. The older CDs are set to expire 60 days after the update is loaded. For more information, including hardware and software requirements for the CD-ROM versions, see the "Answers to Frequently Asked Questions" page of the *Current Protocols Online* website (see above URL) on the side menu bar.

Another version is *Current Protocols Online*, which is a Web-based format on the Internet. A subscription to one or more of the titles on the web allows authorized users access to the information through their web browser. Users gain access through IP authentication. Updates to the online version are also quarterly and done by Wiley technical staff.

For more information on products, pricing and licensing see “Services for Librarians” at <http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgi-bin/home>.

Features and Organization

The print version of *Current Protocols* has a table of contents in each volume. Chapters, sections and units organize the material. There is an index at the end. The index is comprehensive and easy to use, referring the user to the volume, chapter, and the unit they need. Updates come with supplemental indexes. The larger, main index is updated once a year. This is an important point when filing the updates.

The CD-ROM versions are online and provide browsing and search capability. All of the protocols are on one disc. However, you have access only to the full text of the ones that you have a subscription. The discs have key codes and propriety software that must be loaded and activated for full use. Updates come on new CDs as mentioned above.

The Web based version of *Current Protocols* provides browsing by title or subject area. Users can also search within a title or across titles. A search of “bacteriophages vectors” across all content produced 398 results. The results are shown in brief form by the categories Journals, Online Books, Reference Works, and Databases. Each of the categories is

hyperlinked and you can view the results from each category by following the link. You can view the abstract for all of the results that have abstracts even if you do not subscribe to that title. If you have a subscription to a specific title you can view the HTML or PDF version of the information. Users can also employ the Advanced Search feature of Wiley InterScience to search for terms in a menu format, using a variety of fields and employing Boolean connectors. Searches can be limited to such things as Product Type, Subjects and Date Range. Wiley does provide Search Tips on the “Advanced Search” website. Users can also take advantage of the Google/CrossRef search capability to locate items from publishers participating in the CrossRef reference linking service. There is also an acronym finder to aid with alphabets and symbols that need definition.

Usage data for the web version is also available by going through “Services for Librarians” and entering the “Customer Administration Area” with your user ID and Password. You can access the full text of journals, book chapters and other reference works that you do not have a subscription by using Wiley’s ArticleSelect or Pay-Per-View services.

Ease of Use/Service

There is a great deal of information on the Wiley InterScience website. The website is not always logical. There is no detailed site map, nor can you search across the website and not the content. I did notice that there is a message alert at the top of the screen when there is a problem with the site, which has not happened often for us.

Wiley has begun a Customer Care Training Center online to provide instruction for their products. You can register for the training

sessions that are offered online or contact the Wiley training center to discuss something more customized. Users can also register and set up a “My Profile” area to save titles, articles, queries, setup roaming access and set email alerts for table of contents.

Cost

The online version of the *Current Protocols* is not inexpensive. For years at The Institute for Genomic Research we used only the print version of the Molecular Biology protocols. However, we found that the binders were not always user friendly. The pages are not easily removed and replaced correctly for copying or for updating. Going online freed up staff time allocated to updating and maintaining the print copies. The online version also allowed us to provide greater access to our users. Wiley does provide discounts if you purchase more than one title in the series. They have an online [worksheet](#) to calculate cost based on your type of institution, number of FTEs and the materials you are interested in purchasing. It is always a good idea to contact the Account Manager in your area to get a more accurate cost based on your individual or consortia needs.

Conclusion

Wiley's *Current Protocols* are the benchmark for laboratory manuals. The only way to confidently select the product and format that is right for your environment is to try it out. With *Current Protocols* you can view sample material on the Wiley InterScience website and request a trial of the product(s) for your own testing.

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Diversity Leadership Development Program Award

The Diversity Leadership Development Program (DLDP) Committee would like to **invite nominations** for the Diversity Leadership Development Program Award.

Two of the committee's goals are to help accelerate the advancement and visibility of members who represent a diverse population of the Association by mentoring them for more leadership opportunities within SLA and to ensure that the Association remains vital, relevant, and representative of its diverse membership.

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The application deadline is: **December 6, 2004.**

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<http://www.sla.org/content/SLA/awardsrecognition/awardsdescriptions/dlpnomform/index.cfm>

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