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Meet our Incoming 2017 DBIO Executive Board Members

Profiles submitted by members and
compiled by Grace Romund

We're excited to introduce our incoming DBIO Executive Board Members. Over the coming issues you will see more profiles of board members.

CHAIR-ELECT: Cindy Sheffield

Cindy Sheffield is currently the Alzheimer's Preclinical Efficacy Database (AlzPED) Project Manager. Prior to joining the AlzPED team she worked in specialized libraries. Cindy started her career at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions (JHMI), Welch Medical Library. As Associate Director of Education Services at Welch, she led a program providing a variety health science literature classes and lecture series. Cindy has fifteen years of expertise in Evidence-Based Medicine, Systematic Reviews, and finding and organizing literature. Cindy left Welch to establish a library from the ground up for the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasure Center (NBACC) in Frederick, Maryland. There she trained and served as an active member of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, while building a robust electronic and print library collection. From NBACC she moved on to provide consulting and training services, on systems integration, database management and information



resources at the International Monetary Fund, the Intelligence Community, and the US Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases. Cindy has been an active member of the Maryland and DC Chapters of SLA for the past 10 years. She has served on the Executive Board of the Maryland Chapter as Secretary, President, and iStudent Liaison. She looks forward to serving on the DBIO Board.

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TREASURER: Nancy R. Curtis

Nancy Curtis is looking forward to serving as your Treasurer for the next two years. She works as a Science Reference Librarian at the University of Maine, where she has been for over twenty years. Her position at the University of Maine has evolved over time to include subject areas of health and physical sciences. She staffs desk-based and chat general reference services, conducts collection development activities, and works with other campus units to provide research data management services. As a liaison to food science and human nutrition faculty, she participates on sensory evaluation panels, sampling everything from wild blueberry ice cream treats (yummy) to experimental air-puffed extruded snacks made from crab shells (not so much). When



not volunteering for the Division, Nancy reviews science books for *Library Journal* and represents her academic institution in Maine's Health Science Libraries and Information Consortium, which recognized her service with the Eleanor C. Cairns Distinguished Librarian Award in 2013. Like most Maine residents, she enjoys the proverbial walk in the woods—literally, because her small town of Orono is nowhere near the coast.

Nancy is a firm believer in open communication about DBIO finances, so if you have any questions or comments, contact her any time at:

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DBIO Strategic Planning Survey Debrief

Andrea Miller-Nesbitt

DBIO recently distributed a survey to collect feedback from members about issues such as communication, conference programming, benefits of membership in DBIO and areas of potential growth. The data collected will help the division identify priorities moving forward to ensure that DBIO remains dynamic and responds to the needs of its membership.

We received almost a hundred responses and are currently analyzing the data. A big thank-you to everyone who took the time to complete the survey. Your perspective and ideas are important to us! We look forward to sharing the results with you in the coming months.

Your Job Search Just Got Easier!

Looking for a Library Job? The DBIO Job Offerings page lists job openings for academic librarians, medical librarians, and other positions of interest to division members.

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Cynthia Sheffield, 2017 Conference Program

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Lori Bronars

Bronars, L. 2016. Journal metrics: a workshop or LibGuide for your library? *College & Research Libraries News* December 77(11):560-562 <http://crln.acrl.org/content/77/11/560.full>

Linton, A. 2016. Emerging roles for librarians in the medical school curriculum and the impact on professional identity. *Medical Reference Services Quarterly* 35(4) <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/02763869.2016.1220758>

Lori Bronars co-curated a media wall exhibit, “**Institution for Social and Policy Studies at Yale**”, on display at the Center for Science and Social Science Information, Yale University, October 2016–March 2017.

Romund, G. 2017. Collaborative grant-seeking: a practical guide for librarians. de Farber, BG (Book review). *Journal of the Canadian Health Libraries Association* 38:1:34-35 [doi: 10.5596/c17-006](https://doi.org/10.5596/c17-006)



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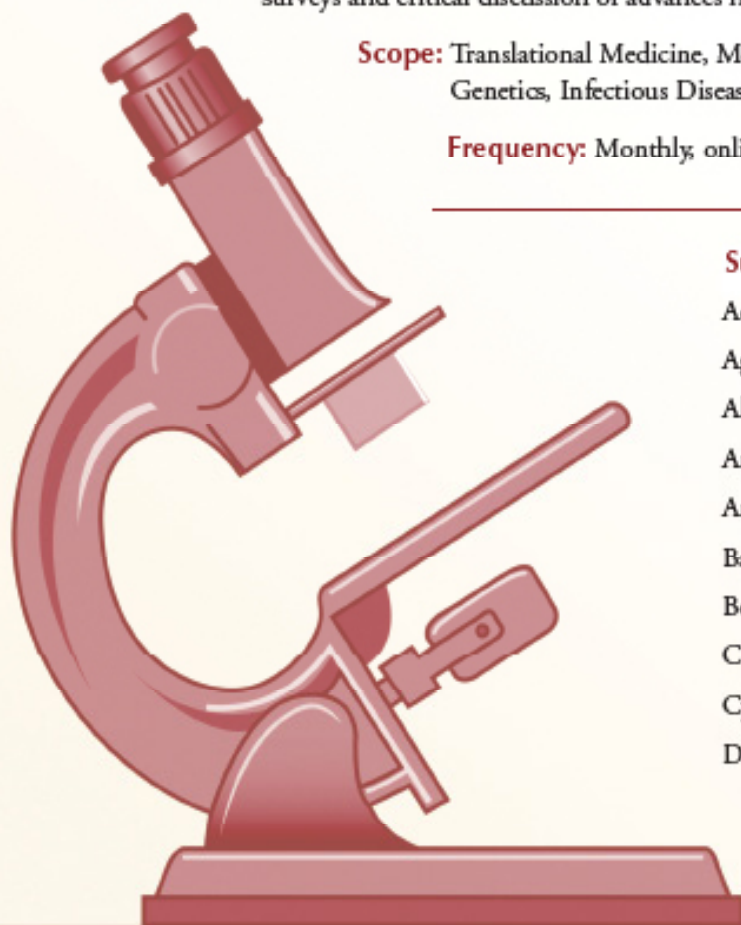
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