#### **Annual Conference**

The SLA Annual Conference is held during June in the United States or Canada. Throughout the Conference, the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division sponsors a variety of programs including workshops, exhibits, continuing education courses, invited papers and speakers, an annual business meeting, field trips, and social events. These sessions provide opportunities for Division members to network and exchange information regarding their work in the life and health sciences.

The Biomedical and Life Sciences Division organized or co-sponsored six programs at the 1998 Annual Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana:

- · Biomaterials
- · A Winner's Circle of Science Web Sites
- Agricultural Runoff and Water Quality
- · Back to Nature: Medicine from Nature
- Global Cooperation Among Information Professionals: Barriers and Benefits
- New Crop Development and Usage: From Plant Conservation and Seed Bank to Production

BIO also arranged the continuing education course *Molecular Biology Information Resources*, and sponsored or co-sponsored field trips to the Indiana Medical History Museum, Gaia Winery, and the Indianapolis Zoo.

Future Annual Conference sites include:

• 1999	Minneapolis
• 2000	Philadelphia
• 2001	San Antonio
• 2002	Los Angeles
• 2003	New York
• 2004	Nashville
• 2005	Toronto

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#### **Membership Information**

The Biomedical and Life Sciences Division of SLA invites you to join our professional organization. For further membership information contact:

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### What is the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division?

The Biomedical and Life Sciences Division (BIO) is an international professional Division of the Special Libraries Association (SLA), the second largest library and information related association headquartered in North America and the third largest in the world.

The scope of the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division encompasses all aspects of the life sciences, both pure and applied, including: biology and biochemistry, zoology and botany, microbiology, genetics, biotechnology, evolution, ecology, veterinary and human medicine, health sciences, and other aspects of the life sciences not specifically noted, or encompassed by another SLA Division. The Division promotes the exchange of information and ideas about trends and advances in information storage, retrieval and analysis, collection management, and dissemination of knowledge in these fields to support research, education, and commercial endeavors.

#### The Medical Section

The Medical Section of the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division, formed in 1996, serves as a forum for Division members who are engaged or interested in the exchange of information in the biomedical and health sciences, and the acquisition, organization, dissemination, and use of such information in all formats. Membership in the Medical Section is available at no charge to all BIO members by contacting the Membership Department at SLA headquarters. Approximately one fourth of BIO members are also members of the Medical Section.

#### **Leadership Opportunities**

The Biomedical and Life Sciences Division includes an Executive Board, the Medical Section, Committees, appointed positions, and liaisons to other SLA units and information organizations.

There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer to serve. Let the Chair or Chair-Elect know your interests when you join!

#### BIO Executive Board, 1998-99

Chair, Judy Wojcik Chair-Elect, Annie Malley Secretary, Barb Butler Treasurer, Eleanor MacLean Director, Adam Schiff Past Chair, Larry Kelland

#### **BIO** Medical Section

Chair, Lorri Zipperer Chair-Elect, Pam Barnard Secretary, Teresa Frydryk

#### **BIO** Committees

Annual Conference Program Planning
Annual Conference Contributed Papers Session
Awards
By-laws
Fund Development
Membership
Nominations and Elections
Professional Development
Public Relations
Publications [Home Page Subcommittee]
Student Relations/Career Guidance
Vendor Relations

#### **BIO** Appointed Positions

Archivist
Biofeedback Editor
Biofeedback Assistant Editor
Biofeedback Business Manager
BSDNET-L List Administrator

#### **BIO** Liaisons

Government Relations
SLA Affirmative Action Committee
SLA International Relations Committee
Natural History Caucus
Medical Library Association
International Association of Marine Science
Libraries and Information Centers

### Membership Benefits Include:

- Biofeedback, the quarterly newsletter of the Division
- BSDNET-L, the Division discussion list
- Continuing education programs
- Annual Division meetings
- Special interest seminars, discussions, presentations, and field trips
- · Networking opportunities
- · Peer recognition
- Vendor updates
- Social events

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