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Message from the Chair

Nalini Mahajan

Spring is here and summer is right around the corner! That means it is time for putting the finishing touches to the quickly approaching SLA annual conference program. If you've not yet registered, there is still time; please visit the SLA Website for details.

Thanks to our Program Chair Ruth Gustafson, we have a very compelling and interesting program set for Phoenix. Ruth and her Program Committee have spent endless hours in planning this program to make the 2017 meeting a success. We take member feedback seriously ... Based on the feedback from our members, we made several changes to our annual program. I am pleased to inform you that our annual Vendor Panel Program showcasing new resources and product enhancements is back. This year, we are having a combined Division Vendor Roundtable Breakfast and Business meeting. If you're new to DBIO, I would encourage you to attend this session to learn about the division as well as the new products being introduced by our vendors. I am also very excited that after a short hiatus, the popular Biomedical & Life Sciences Division Contributed Papers and Roundtable program are back. We are planning to have several networking opportunities at the Phoenix Conference this year. Networking is not only fun, but also really critical to one's personal growth and professional development. Additionally, we are collaborating and have joined forces with other divisions, chapters, and caucuses to attract members throughout SLA to participate in and contribute towards our program. Make sure to support your division by attending the division programs.

My heartfelt thanks go to Cindy (Chair Elect) and Donna Gibson (Vendor Relations Chair) for getting the sponsorships from our favorite vendors for the Phoenix meeting. The sponsors are listed for each session in the Conference Program on the Website. While attending the sessions, or visiting the exhibits, please make sure to thank our sponsors for their generous contributions.

I am very thankful to the Executive Board members, Andrea Miller-Nesbitt and Elaine H. Dean for their leadership, vision, dedication and service to the Division this past year. As you are aware, your Board, Committee Chairs, as well as the volunteers,

work extremely hard behind the scenes in helping the division thrive. I'm deeply grateful to all our leadership, past, present, and future. I look forward to seeing you in Phoenix.

Highlights from the 2017 SLA Annual Conference DBIO Program

Nalini Mahajan

For detailed information on DBIO Programs, please visit your [DBIO website](#).

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Biomedical & Life Sciences Division Officers and Committee Chairs' Meeting/Dinner
7:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m.
Location: Sheraton Grand Phoenix

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

The Science of Food Deserts
9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.
Location: Phoenix Convention Center

Biomedical & Life Sciences Division Contributed Papers and Roundtable
4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.
Location: Phoenix Convention Center

MONDAY, JUNE 19

Biomedical & Life Sciences Division Vendor Relations Breakfast and Business Meeting
7:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m.
Location: Phoenix Convention Center

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Indigenous Health (Medical Section Program)

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Location: Phoenix Convention Center

The Frankenstein Bicentennial Project: Science Fiction as a Lens for Examining Science and Society Issues

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Location: Phoenix Convention Center

Sponsored by: IEEE

Food and Medicine from the Desert

10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Location: Phoenix Convention Center

The Brave New World of Gene Drives

3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Location: Phoenix Convention Center

Co-Presented by: DBIO, PHT

All Sciences and Engineering Poster Session and Awards Reception

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Sheraton Grand Phoenix

Co-Sponsored by: DBIO; SciTech

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

Biodiversity in the 21st century

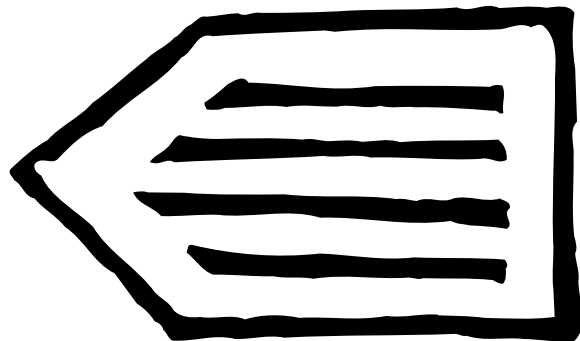
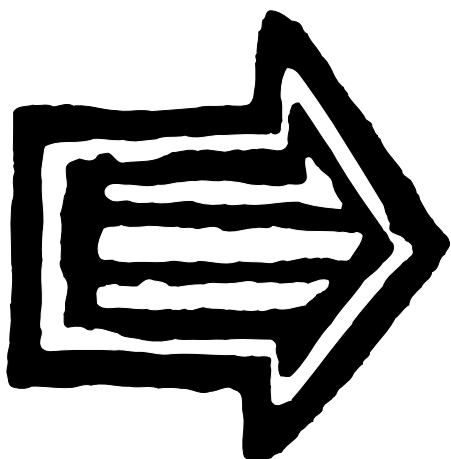
10:15 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Location: Phoenix Convention Center

Nighttime tour of the Phoenix Desert Botanical Garden

Hours not yet determined

Location: Phoenix Desert Botanical Garden



Welcome to the Incoming 2017 Board Members!

Nalini Mahajan

DBIO continues to thrive under our volunteer leadership. Many of our volunteers have made long-term commitments and have continuously served in leadership positions. Please join me in welcoming the new DBIO Executive Board members for 2017. These leaders bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our division, and we are very grateful for their commitment. There is no greater contribution than serving as a member of the leadership team! I am very excited to see what next year brings as we all work together and reach out to the new members for fresh ideas and energy.

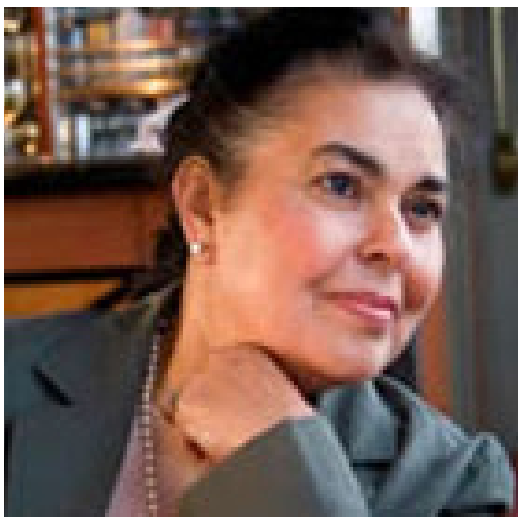
The newly elected board officers are:

Chair: Nalini Mahajan
Chair-Elect: Cindy Sheffield
Director: Gail Hendler
Treasurer: Nancy Curtis
Secretary: Danielle Walker

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: Nalini Mahajan



Current Position: Library Director & Webmaster
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Nalini Mahajan is the Library Director and Webmaster at the Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital, where she has managed the Medical library for the last 30 years. In addition, Nalini is a part-time faculty at College of DuPage (COD) library in Glen Ellyn, IL where she works as a Reference Librarian and skilled instructor specializing in medical/health sciences and consumer health information. She has been a speaker at several national and international meetings, has presented papers, published articles, and taught continuing education courses at Special Library Association (SLA), Medical Library Association (MLA), Internet Librarian, and American Academy of Physical

Medicine and Rehabilitation (AAPM&R). Currently serving as the Chair on the Executive board of SLA Bio-medical and Life Sciences Division (DBIO), she has held many leadership positions at both SLA and MLA. In addition, she is on the Library Board of Advisors for Doody's Review Service, an e-journal and unique collection development tool. In 2013 she was appointed to the ebook Illinois Advisory Committee. In December, 2017 she was an invited speaker at the International Conference on Digital Libraries (ICDL) held in India where she gave a lecture on "Digital Libraries and Health Consumer in 2020". As a leader and front-line

worker, Nalini is very passionate about her profession and has helped make the Marianjoy library one of the top libraries in the field of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Among her various recognitions, she received the DBIO Distinguished Member Award in 2016, Librarian of the Year award from Illinois Library System in 2010, COD Outstanding Part-Time Faculty Award in 1996 and Scroll of Exemplary Service for the Hospital Libraries Section of the MLA in 2015 and 2002. As a webmaster, she manages several websites, including Information Connections, a website for parents of children with development disabilities, and Disability & Rehabilitation, a website for people with disabilities with a special focus on stroke, brain injury, spinal cord injury, chronic pain, orthopedic and neuromuscular diseases. Both projects were funded by the National Library of Medicine. Nalini strongly believes that having timely access to high quality and reliable information at the Point of Care and Point of Need helps clinicians and consumers make informed health care decisions.

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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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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Nalini Mahajan

Chair, SLA Biomedical and Life Sciences Division

The 2017-2018 year will be here before you know it. Many committees within the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division will have openings, as some of our members end their terms of service. If you would like to serve on a committee but were not sure where to start, now is the perfect opportunity. Committee appointments start at the beginning of the calendar year and are 2-year terms with optional renewal for a total of 4 years' maximum. There are also some appointed positions, which may have vacancies in the near future. Check out the Recommended Practices for Biomedical & Life Sciences Division for a description of any committee, liaison, representative, or other appointed position.

Please feel free to contact any of the Board members or Committee Chairs to find out more about a particular committee. Fill out the Volunteer Form available on Volunteer for Service section of our website and submit it online. Participating in the SLA DBIO is a great opportunity to meet new colleagues, share and expand your knowledge, skill, and experience, and participate in shaping the future of the Division and librarianship; we look forward to working with you in 2017!

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.

Browse recent job posts:

<http://dbiosla.org/development/careers/jobofferings.html>

Updated frequently, an average of 40 to 50 open positions are posted every single month.

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Cynthia Sheffield, 2017 Conference Program

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(The Brave New World of Gene Drives)

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(Native American Health Research—Medical Section Program)
(Nighttime tour of the Phoenix Desert Botanical Garden)

Member News

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)



Artist's Depiction of Sonora Desert Vegetation on Display at the Phoenix Desert Botanical Garden (see preceding page)

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