

BIOCHEMICAL SOCIETY

# Welcome to the Biochemical Society

### THE BIOCHEMICAL SOCIETY IS THE HOME OF THE BIOCHEMISTRY COMMUNITY

We promote the future of molecular biosciences; facilitating the sharing of expertise, supporting the advancement of biochemistry and molecular biology, and raising awareness of their importance in addressing societal grand challenges.

Connecting and collaborating for the future of the life sciences, we work to open up biochemistry, sharing expertise and advancing the impact of molecular biosciences in science and society.



## Welcome to the Biochemical Society

Welcome and thank you for joining the Biochemical Society. You are now part of our network of over 7,000 members and can enjoy the benefits of membership, including support and information for every stage of your career.

The Biochemical Society works to support innovation and the advancement of science through the circulation of knowledge and the sharing of scientific research across the community for the benefit of scientists and science.

We achieve our mission by:

- Supporting the next generation of biochemists
- Bringing together molecular bioscientists
- Promoting and sharing knowledge
- Promoting the importance of our discipline

If you are interested in finding out more about the Society and our activities or would like to get involved, you can find all the information you need on our website www.biochemistry.org

If you would prefer to speak to one of our team directly, please email: membership@biochemistry.org or call: +44 (0)20 7685 2444.

However you choose to use your membership – welcome and we hope you find it valuable.

#### **Professor Nicola Gray**

Honorary Membership Secretary

## Getting started – how to make the most of your membership

### As a Full or Early Career member of the Biochemical Society you can take advantage of the benefits available to you:

- Access to a range of grants to support your research and travel as well as sponsorship of events
- Grants of up to £750 to help with the costs of attending a conference, training course or lab visit in the UK or internationally
- Grants of up to £500 to support a one off meeting or event
- Up to £1,500 available for members organizing a seminar series in your institution
- Up to £100 discount on registration fees at Biochemical Society events
- Bursaries to attend Biochemical Society events of up to £300
- Discounted registration fees for Biochemical Society and Royal Society of Biology training workshops and courses
- Opportunities to submit proposals for Biochemical Society events
- Opportunities to feed into the Society's policy activities through our Policy Network

- Opportunities to volunteer at public engagement and careers events
- Automatic membership of The Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS) and access to FEBS Fellowships
- Monthly Members' News email
- Invitations to member receptions and networking events
- Opportunity to apply for a Summer Vacation Studentships grant on behalf of a student
- 50% discount on first two years membership subscription of the Royal Society of Biology
- Personal online access to *Biochemical Journal* and *Biochemical Society Transactions*
- Savings of up to £250 on Gold Open Access article publishing fees for the *Biochemical Journal*, *Clinical Science*, *Biochemical Society Transactions*, *Bioscience Reports* and *Essays in Biochemistry* and savings of up to £375 on Gold Open Access article publishing fees for *Neuronal Signaling* and *Emerging Topics in Life Sciences*

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#### As an **Emeritus** Member of the Biochemical Society you can take advantage of the benefits available to you:

- Invitation to the annual Emeritus Luncheon, held at Charles Darwin House in London to meet other members and catch up on the Society's activities over the past year
- Invitations to member receptions and networking events
- Significantly discounted registration fees for Biochemical Society events
- Generous grants and bursaries
- Personal online access to the *Biochemical Journal* and *Biochemical Society Transactions*
- Opportunities to feed into the Society's policy activities through our Policy Network
- Opportunities to volunteer at public engagement and careers events
- Stay up to date with Society news via the Monthly Members' News email
- 50% discount on first two years membership subscription of the Royal Society of Biology



# Forthcoming scientific conferences and events

Remember, members receive discounted rates on attendance at Society conferences and events

83rd Harden Conference: Autophagy - from molecules to disease II 3–7 June 2018 Chesford Grange, Warwickshire, UK

The biology and physics of bacterial chromosome organisation 2018 4-6 June, 2018 Golden Tulip, Leiden, The Netherlands

Translation UK 2018 5–6 July 2018 University of Manchester, UK

Proteomics and related metabolomics of oxidative damage and glycation: a technical workshop 9–11 July 2018 University of Warwick, UK

Small G proteins in cellular signalling and disease 9–11 July 2018 Clare College, Cambridge, UK

Experimental techniques for studying proteins and lipids in biological membranes 31 July–1 August 2018 Maple House, Birmingham, UK Structure and mechanism of membrane proteins 2–3 August, 2018 Aston University, UK

Protein disulphide bonds-biochemistry, biotechnology and biomedical impact 31 August–1 September 2018 University of Kent, UK

Biennial International LRRK2 Meeting 2–4 September 2018 The Botanical Garden, Padua, Italy

84th Harden Conference: Single-molecule bacteriology 9–12 September 2018 Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, UK

Acylation of intracellular and secreted proteins: mechanisms and functional outcomes 10–12 September 2018 Brighton, UK



## Training Programme

Our 2018 training programme runs throughout the year. Upcoming topics include proteomics and metabolomics, R for biochemists, Experimental techniques for studying proteins and lipids and gene expression profiling. For more information about our training programme, please visit our website.

#### Develop your Biochemical Society training programme

We also support scientists to run training events, providing full secretariat and marketing services to help experts share their knowledge and skills and to support the next generation of biochemists.

#### 2018 proposal deadlines: 1 May; 13 August; 5 November



### As a member of the Society you have access to a wide range of grants to support your research and travel as well as sponsorship of events

#### General Travel Grants

Provide financial support for members to attend a scientific meeting or visit another laboratory.

#### Stay Connected Bursaries

Cover the cost of registration to Society events. Applicants can also apply for support towards accommodation, travel and/or care provision. Any member who is on a career break, or who has recently returned to work following a career break, can apply.

#### Summer Vacation Studentships\*

Provide grants for stipends of  $\pounds 200$  per week for 6 – 8 weeks (up to  $\pounds 1,600$  in total), to support an undergraduate student to carry out a summer lab placement.

#### The Eric Reid Fund for Methodology\*

Provides modest financial support for benchwork with an emphasis on methodology, with a preference for cellular or bioanalytical work.

#### Visiting Fellowships

Substantial grants, of up to £2000, available to support research capacity building in developing parts of the world e.g. Eastern Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

#### Scientific Outreach Grants

Offer support of up to £1000 for scientific outreach events that communicate the excitement of molecular bioscience to young people and the community.

#### **Events Sponsorship**

Provide financial support of up to £500 to support single lectures or small events with a regional or student focus.

#### Independent Meetings Fund

Supports independently organized scientific conferences in the UK and internationally up to £500.

#### Sponsored Seminar Series

Members can apply for up to £1500 to support to host a series of seminars from guest speakers throughout the year.

#### Diversity in Science Grants

Help create and support a representative scientific community.

#### FEBS Fellowships

Did you know? Members of the Biochemical Society are eligible for FEBS Fellowships. Find out more information at www.febs.org

\*Full and Early Career members only

### Early Career and Full Member Bursaries support attendance of members at Biochemical Society events.

#### www.biochemistry.org/grants



# Education, public engagement and policy

Our Education programme aims to support the next generation of biochemists and provide opportunities for people of all ages to explore and discuss the issues raised by developments in molecular bioscience.

#### **Careers Support**

We provide a wide range of careers information for students and early career researchers. In addition to our popular careers booklets and case studies, we also offer free careers posters for schools, colleges and universities.

#### Supporting educators

We support teachers and Higher Education lecturers to develop their skills and knowledge and foster links between schools, academia and industry. We are working in partnership with STEM Learning on the STEM Insight scheme, which offers teachers in UK schools and Further Education colleges the opportunity to develop links with local biotechnology employers and university bioscience departments.

#### Supporting public engagement

We are committed to supporting students and researchers to communicate their work to the public and promoting public engagement with biochemistry and the molecular biosciences. We develop resources for use at science clubs, festivals and open days, run public debates on key issues and have a popular outreach grants scheme. We also run an annual science communication competition for undergraduates and postgraduates.

#### Science Policy

We champion the molecular biosciences by identifying and acting on key science policy issues. We work closely with the Royal Society of Biology, Campaign for Science and Engineering (CASE) and other key stakeholders to ensure that the views of our membership are channelled to the appropriate policy makers. Members have opportunities to feed into consultation responses through our Policy Network as well as attending parliamentary events such as Voice of the Future.

#### Resources

We provide several free resources for students and teachers, including special factsheets and Open Access issues of *Essays in Biochemistry*, providing informative and accessible overviews of key areas of biochemistry.

Our Sciberbrain website offers a collection of resources to stimulate group discussions abour controversial aspects of science and we have developed an online MOOC (Massive Open Online Course) in partnership with the University of East Anglia and Futurelearn, introducing the basics of biochemistry.

## Publishing

Through our publications we are dedicated to promoting and sharing scientific research, supporting your needs and ambitions. We offer excellent visibility for your work by making it easier to discover and explore our journals, while our Society magazine, *The Biochemist*, brings you news and views on issues of relevance to biochemistry and the broader life sciences.

#### Benefits of publishing

- A fast and smooth publishing experience
- Rigorous, authoritative and meaningful peer-review
- Publication of research within 48 hours of formal acceptance
- Colour figures published free of charge
- Commitment to research integrity and publication ethics
- Open Access fee discounts for Society members

#### **Research Journals**



#### Biochemical Journal

Explores the molecular mechanisms that underpin key biological processes.

biochemJ.org Free access for members



*Clinical Science* Translates molecular bioscience and experimental research into medical insights.

clinsci.org



#### Emerging Topics in Life Sciences

Highlighting new and growing fields across the life sciences, this new journal is jointly owned by the Biochemical Society and Royal Society of Biology, featuring reviews written for an interdisciplinary audience.

emergetopicslifesci.org



#### Bioscience Reports

A fully Open Access journal providing a home for sound scientific research in all areas of cell biology and molecular life sciences.

#### bioscirep.org

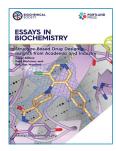
#### **Review Journals**



#### Biochemical Society Transactions

The reviews journal of the Society providing a timely snapshot of the latest developments across a range of topics in the cellular and molecular life sciences.

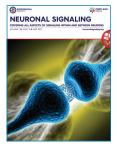
biochemsoctrans.org Free access for members



#### Essays in Biochemistry

Offers reviews from experts in the field highlighting recent hot topics in biochemistry, written to be accessible for those not yet immersed in the subject.

#### essays.biochemistry.org



#### Neuronal Signaling

A fully Open Access journal covering all aspects of signaling within and between neurons.

neuronalsignaling.org

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## Get involved with the Biochemical Society

#### You can easily become involved in the activities of the Society.

#### Awards

Nominate an outstanding biochemist for a Biochemical Society Award. Each year the Society recognizes both established researchers and scientists in the early stages of their career, with a portfolio of awards. Nominations typically open in August each year.

#### Propose an event

Proposal submissions are welcomed throughout the year for the Society's vibrant events programme.

#### Local Ambassadors

Volunteer to be a Society Local Ambassador for your institution or organization.

#### Attend the AGM

This year members are invited to Charles Darwin House on 26 July 2018 to attend the Annual General Meeting



## Federation of European Biochemical Societies



#### Now that you are a member of the Biochemical Society you are also automatically a member of the Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS).

FEBS is Europe's leading scientific organization in the field of molecular life sciences, with more than 36,000 members of 35 national biochemical societies. Thus, FEBS provides a voice to a large part of the academic research and teaching community in Europe and beyond.

FEBS is a non-profit organization that supports biochemistry, molecular biology, cell biology, molecular biophysics and related research areas through its journals, Congress, Advanced Courses, Fellowships and other initiatives. There is an emphasis in many programmes on scientific exchange and cooperation between scientists working in different countries, and on promotion of the training of early-career scientists.

#### FEBS Fellowships

FEBS Fellowships and scholarships are stipends available to members of a FEBS Constituent Society seeking to work in a different FEBS country to that in which they are working or, in the case of Return-To-Europe Fellowships, to resume working in a FEBS country.

- Short-Term Fellowships (of up to three months)
- Long-Term Post-Doctoral Fellowships (of up to three years)
- Collaborative Experimental scholarships for Central & Eastern Europe
- Summer Fellowships
- Return-to-Europe Fellowships
- Follow-up Research Fund

#### **FEBS** Congresses

The FEBS Congress is one of the largest bioscience congresses in Europe, featuring approx. 2500 attendees, the Congress provides a platform for international scientific exchange and showcases the newest developments in biochemistry, molecular biology and related areas.

#### FEBS Congress 2018 - Biochemistry Forever

7-12 July 2018, Prague, Czech Republic

## Stay in touch

Whether you have a question that is as simple as "what's my membership number?" or you'd like to find out more about our activities or how to get involved, we would love to hear from you.

For general membership enquiries please contact:

Email: membership@biochemistry.org Phone: +44 (0) 207 685 2444 Write: Biochemical Society, Charles Darwin House, 12 Roger Street, London, WC1N 2JU

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