

Fostering international proteomic initiatives to better understand human disease

HUMAN PROTEOME PROJECT WORKING GROUP KICK OFF MEETING

The Human Proteome Project working group held its kick-off meeting in Seattle on January 25th (photo). A short history of the HPP vision was presented with references to key past events, including the meeting held in Barbados in 2008 that led to the Barbados 2008 White Paper (available on www.hupo.org) and the HUPO Views paper published in MCP in 2010 ([Mol Cell Proteomics 9 \(2\): 427](#)).

Key issues were addressed during that very fruitful 8-hour long meeting : updates on technologies and methodologies that should be used to insure the best quality of data ; databases and data access ; key biological questions or biomedical challenges HPP could best contribute to. Specific topics were defined to be tackled by experts in the coming months. Similarly, regional and national meetings will be encouraged to stimulate the contribution of the scientific community at the definition of



HPP WG members Kumar Bala, Eric Deutsch, Pierre Legrain, Young Ki Paik, Bill Hancock, Laura Beretta, Gil Omenn, Patrik Kolar, Ruedi Aebersold, Sudhir Srivastava and Tadashi Yamamoto.

the strategic plan of the HPP.

National initiatives have already started (Korea, Russia, Iran). Canada and Europe have embraced the project by the support of the Canadian National Proteomics Network and the European Science Foundation, respectively. Other countries will hopefully follow. More can be found on the dedicated HPP web page:

www.hupo.org/research/hpp/default.asp

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The HUPO Awards Committee invites nominations for HUPO Distinguished Awards 2010

- HUPO Distinguished Service Award
- HUPO Discovery Award in Proteomic Sciences
- HUPO Distinguished Achievement Award in Proteomic Sciences

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Nominations for the above distinguished awards must be received by **May 15th, 2010**.

For complete details of these awards please visit www.hupo.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Young-Ki Paik
HUPPO President

Another Big Step Towards HUPPO Development!

Dear Colleagues,

For the first quarter of 2010, I am very pleased to report that HUPPO got off to a great start with many vibrant activities worldwide, such as the 6th Barbados HUPPO Workshop and the HPP Kick-off Workshop in Seattle, several HUPPO societies annual meetings - the 5th AOHUPPO congress in Hyderabad, India, USHUPPO and KHUPPO annual meetings - as well as HUPPO initiative workshops such as HUPPO PSI and HUPPO HBPP in Seoul, to name but a few.

Owing to a lot of enthusiasm about the quality of proteomics science being carried out globally at different levels, I would like to personally thank all the key organizers as well as our dedicated members for their outstanding, continued efforts for the HUPPO community.

Regarding the HPP Working Group's (HPP WG) kick-off meeting, 14 members got together (12 in person, 2 by phone) and discussed many practical issues to explore all potential problems to initiate this global project. Special praise goes to Pierre Legrain who really did an excellent job in inviting several experts and setting the agenda. Another HPP WG Workshop will be held in May 10 in Montreal, in conjunction with a Canadian strategic HPP Workshop.

In addition, an annual HUPPO Executive Committee face-to-face meeting will take place, during which HUPPO operation strategies will also be discussed, along with

other organizational matters based on the report and suggestions of a special Ad Hoc Committee. Through these various meetings, I am confident that HUPPO will move even further and develop to the next level.

This year marks a first for HUPPO: the online election for Council - as opposed to the previous onsite election - through which our members will be able to cast their vote from wherever they are located. This internet electoral system has been introduced according to the amended HUPPO bylaws. According to the election schedule announced by the Nomination and Election Committee (NEC) chaired by Bill Hancock, the online website will remain open until 24 hours prior to the General Assembly of Members. The Election period will run September 1st to 22nd (Sydney times). Special thanks go to all NEC members for their dedication to this work and Wehbeh Barghachie at HUPPO Montreal Headquarter who did an excellent job in installing this system which was tested thoroughly and approved by the NEC. Please visit the HUPPO website for updated information.

I hope our members will enjoy this new election system. We encourage all non members to actively join HUPPO online either through www.hupo.org or www.hupo2010.com

Preparations of the HUPPO 9th Annual World Congress, Sydney, 2010, are going well: the congress web page is live for abstract submission and registration, and is actively linked with membership renewal. It also shows a great outline of scientific programs. We all thank Mark Baker and his colleagues, Ian Smith, Marc Wilkins and Ed Nice for their outstanding efforts and all the people behind the scenes. I am sure our tradition of success will not only continue but also be enhanced with this Sydney Congress.

In a long run, EC members and HUPPO membership committee led by Bruno Domon will start to look at ways to boost HUPPO membership and to connect better HUPPO international with other societies .

In summary, I think we are now enjoying a great momentum for another big step toward HUPPO development. This year, let's keep it up and work hard together!

HUPPO QUANTITATION TEST SAMPLE STUDY TO GET UNDERWAY

As a follow-up of the test sample study that was published last year (Nature Methods 6, 423 - 430 (2009)), a new initiative is under preparation aiming at assessing methodologies for absolute quantification in proteomics. The HUPPO Industrial Advisory board

expressed its great interest in this new methodological study.

This project should be discussed with key experts and funding agencies in the coming months and formally launched at the Sydney congress in September 2010.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice of Elections

The nomination period for the HUPO Board of Directors (HUPO Council) is now open and will run until May 19th 2010 (as per the local time in Sydney, Australia). This year, for the first time since HUPO's inception, the vote will be held electronically over a period of several days. More details on this will be coming at a later date.

If you wish to nominate someone, please read the following carefully:

Eligibility: Any HUPO member in good standing (i.e. dues paid for 2009) being over the age of thirty (30) and being a scientist from the public and/or private sector who is engaged in educational, research or commercial activities related to any object of HUPO is eligible to be on the HUPO Board of Directors for positions that will become available in January 2011 for a 3 year term (2011-2013).

Process: Each nomination must be made by a HUPO member and likewise seconded by another member. To verify whether you are a member in good standing (i.e. dues have been paid for 2010), please log in to www.hupo.org. You must first contact the person you wish to nominate and ascertain their willingness and availability to serve if elected, as well as their status as a HUPO member.

This person must also fill out a biosketch (available

from the HUPO website), which must then be sent along with the name of seconder and documentation showing approval from the nominee (email is OK) to Dr. Bill Hancock, Chair, Nomination and Elections Committee, no later than May 19th 2010 at wi.hancock@neu.edu, with cc to sylvie.ouellette@mcgill.ca.

More information on nomination and elections is available on

[www.hupo.org/communications/Annual special meetings/members/2010/default.asp](http://www.hupo.org/communications/Annual_special_meetings/members/2010/default.asp)

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| Nomination Period Starts | March 24, 2010 |
| Nomination Period Closes | May 19, 2010 |
| Election Website Opens | September 1, 2010 |
| Election Closes | September 22, 2010 3:30PM |
| Results are announced | September 23, 2010 during the General Assembly |

All Nominations and Elections deadlines are
Sydney, Australia Local time

Notice of General Assembly/Meeting of the Members

The 2010 General Assembly/Meeting of the Members will take place in Sydney, Australia at the Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre:

on September 23rd, 2010 at 3:30PM

in conjunction with HUPO 9th Annual World Congress, Sydney 2010 www.HUPO2010.com

The address is the following:

Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre
Darling Dr, Darling Harbour NSW 2000, Australia

Documents pertaining to this meeting, such as

- Agenda of the 2010 General Assembly
- Minutes from the 2009 General Assembly
- Auditor's Report & 2009 Financial Statement

will soon be available to members on www.hupo.org

To be environmentally friendly, all the necessary documents will be posted in pdf format on this page and will **NOT** be provided on paper at the General Assembly.

HUPO 2010 Conference Student Bursaries

The HUPO2010 Local Organising Committee is pleased to announce that it will be awarding a number of HUPO2010 student conference bursaries for costs incurred registering and attending the HUPO 2010 World Congress in Sydney..

More details can be found on www.hupo2010.com/Bursaries.htm

ABSTRACT DEADLINE FOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS: 30 APRIL 2010!!!



REGISTER ONLINE TODAY for the HUPO 9th Annual World Congress • 19-23 September 2010, Sydney, Australia

Check out one new HUPO2010 Congress event "Proteomics Idol" where 10 student finalists from the Poster Sessions compete for great prizes!

Additional scientific program details, confirmed invited speaker list and interactive exhibitor hall details are live now on www.HUPO2010.com

Email for further information: info@hupo2010.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

8th International Mini-Symposium on Proteomics
A one-day Symposium on the state of the art in selected proteomics areas
May 17, 2010
Institute of Chemistry, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro.

AND

8th International Symposium on Proteomics
HUPO Initiatives and the Human Proteome Project & Proteomics in Brazil.
May 18-21, 2010
Rafain Palace Hotel, Iguassu Falls, Parana State, Brazil
Two mornings during the 39th Annual Meeting of the Brazilian Biochemical and Molecular Biology Society
Contact: Gilberto Domont gilberto@iq.ufrj.br



JUNE

The 5th International Conference on “Genomics, Proteomics, Bioinformatics and Nanobiotechnologies for Medicine”
May 31-June 5, 2010.
St Petersburg, Russia
<http://www.ibmc.msk.ru/gpbnm2010>



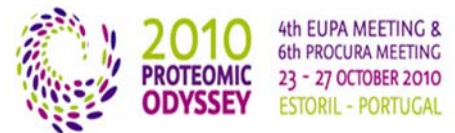
JULY

8th JHUPRO Conference
July 26-27 2010
Tokyo, Japan
www.jhupro.org



OCTOBER

4th EuPA Annual Scientific Meeting and
6th PROCURA meeting
October 23-27, 2010
Estoril, Portugal
<http://eupa2010.fc.ul.pt/>



HUPO 10th Annual World Congress, Geneva 2011

Congress Chairs: Jean-Charles Sanchez, Luca Bini and Denis Hochstrasser
Dates 3-7 September 2011
www.hupo2011.com

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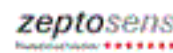
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The HUPO Newsletter aims to disseminate information throughout the proteomics community.

If you wish to contribute news, notices of events, or any other item, please feel free to forward it to HUPO Headquarters, using the link on the www.hupo.org website.

Any material submitted will be subject to approval by the HUPO Executive Committee and the Publications Committee.