

## AOCS Biotechnology Division Newsletter March 2011

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### Message from the Chairperson

Greetings to all! The 102nd AOCS Annual Meeting & Expo to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 1-4, is just weeks away. [Online registration](#) and the [technical program](#) are available online now; *note that the last day to receive the early bird registration discount is April 1.* The Biotechnology Division has a number of interesting sessions this year which are listed below.

We're looking forward to a very active Annual Meeting in Cincinnati, and hope to see you all there!

Sincerely,  
Ramesh Patel

### Biotechnology Division Business

The results of our recent election to select members of the Division's executive steering committee are available on the Division [webpage](#). With the change in Division structure, the member-at-large positions are no longer elected. The chairperson, may, however, designate Division members to serve and carry out specific assignments; you will find those individuals listed on the far right side of this newsletter.

### Preview of Division Activities in Cincinnati

#### Division Events

The Division has scheduled two events during the Annual Meeting & Expo in Cincinnati:

- The Biotechnology Division roundtable discussion is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Feel free to stop by and offer your suggestions for Division programs to be presented at future Annual Meetings.

- Our Division dinner will be on Tuesday, May 3, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Dr. Phillip Green, Principal Scientist, Materials Science & Technology, The Procter & Gamble Company. The title of his talk is: “White Biotechnology: Its promise and challenges for development of a sustainable chemical industry.” Please plan to join us; *note that this is a ticketed event—be sure to purchase your dinner ticket when you register.*

### ***Technical Program***

The full listing of technical programs can be found on the Annual Meeting [webpage](#); it is updated regularly and has the most current information about sessions and times. The Biotechnology Division wishes to thank **Alberta Innovates Phytola Centre** for its support of the Division’s technical programming at the Annual Meeting.

### **Monday morning, May 2**

#### *BIO 1/ANA 1: Lipidomics and Metabolic Analysis*

Chairs: W.C. Byrdwell, USDA, ARS, USA; and R. Weselake, University of Alberta, Canada

#### *BIO 1.1: Biocatalysis I*

Chairs: C.T. Hou, USDA, ARS, NCAUR, USA; and S.H. Yoon, KFRI, Korea

### **Monday afternoon, May 2**

#### *BIO 2: Oil-based Biofuels*

Chairs: H.C. Holm, Novozymes A/S, Denmark; and M.J. Haas, USDA, ARS, ERRC, USA

The Biotechnology Division dedicated **poster viewing session** (Chair: R. Ashby, ARS, USDA, NCAUR, USA) will be on Monday afternoon from 4 until 5:30 p.m.

### **Tuesday afternoon, May 3**

#### *BIO 3 / H&N 3.1: Functional Lipids - Bioactive Properties*

Chairs: R. Moreau, USDA, ARS, ERRC, USA; and R.J. Ostlund, Washington University in St. Louis, USA

#### *BIO 3.1: Biocatalysis II*

Chairs: C.T. Hou, USDA, ARS, NCAUR, USA; and K. Miyashita, Hokkaido University, Japan

### **Wednesday morning, May 4**

*BIO 4/S&D 4: Bio-based Materials: Surfactants, Polymers, and Enzymes in Green Cleaning*

Chairs: D. Solaiman, USDA, ARS, ERRC, USA; D. Hayes, University of Tennessee, USA; and G. Smith, Huntsman Performance Products, USA

*BIO 4.1: Plant Lipid Biotechnology*

Chairs: D. Hildebrand, University of Kentucky, USA; and J. Shockey, ARS, USDA, NCAUR, USA

### **Wednesday afternoon, May 4**

*BIO 5: General Biotechnology*

Chairs: D. Solaiman, USDA, ARS, NCAUR; and L.K. Ju, University of Akron, USA

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### **World Congress on Oleo Science and 29th ISF Congress**

This meeting, co-sponsored by AOCS, the Japan Oil Chemists' Society (JOCS), the Korean Oil Chemists' Society (KOCS), the International Society for Fat Research (ISF), and the International Symposium on Biocatalysis and Biotechnology (ISBB) will take place in Tokyo, October 10-13, 2011. Further information can be obtained at congress [webpage](#). Biotechnology Division members who would like further information about this meeting should contact [Dr. Ching T. Hou](#). Abstracts for presentation are currently being accepted, with the submission deadline being April 20, 2011.

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### **Do You Have Any News Items?**

Please send me your ideas, stories, photos, etc. for the next Division newsletter; my email address is [dhayes1@utk.edu](mailto:dhayes1@utk.edu)

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