It is a pleasure and an honour for me to become involved in the future development of the ISQBP. Having started my career as a quantum chemist, before moving to the modelling of biomacromolecules, I will try to support all aspects of research covered by our interdisciplinary society. It seems to me that we are living in a very exciting, but also a very challenging time for all theoreticians interested in understanding biological systems. Experiments are revealing the details of more and more complex biological structures. This in turn pushes forward all aspects of modeling and simulation: treating larger systems, obtaining higher precision, simulating slower processes, etc. I hope that I will be able to follow the example of the former presidents in making the ISQBP meetings an exciting forum for this progress and that you will continue to actively support these meetings and the efforts of our society as a whole.

Richard Lavery
Institut de Biologie et Chimie des Protéines, Lyon, January 2007

2007 Election

Elections for two offices will be undertaken. These include Vice President (2007-2008) and Councilor (Two separate terms: 2007-2007 and 2008-2009). The vice president’s role is to facilitate the efforts of the president, with overlapping terms of the president and vice president designed to smooth the transition between presidents. Councilors serve in an advisory role, facilitating ISQBP decisions and functions. Candidates for the offices are below and information on voting, which is performed via email, can be accessed via the ISQBP website.
Vice President
Prof. Montgomery Pettitt, University of Houston, USA
http://www.chem.uh.edu/Faculty/Pettitt/

Prof. Leif Eriksson, Örebro University, Sweden
http://www.oru.se/templates/oruExtNormal____33481.aspx

Councilor (Vote for two)
Prof. Charles Brooks III, The Scripps Research Institute, USA
http://brooks.scripps.edu/

Prof. Kennie Merz, University of Florida, USA
http://www.qtp.ufl.edu/~kmmprogs/

Prof. Roland Stote, Institut de Chimie CNRS-ULP, Strasbourg, France
http://lbm.u-strasbg.fr

Meetings


http://www.chm.bris.ac.uk/mgms/

ISOTOPES 2007, May 27 to June 1, 2007, Benicassim (Castellón, Spain), http://www.qtc.uji.es/cgi-bin/index.php

A Semantic Web for Bioinformatics: Goals, Tools, Systems, Applications, June 12-15, 2007, University of Pisa, Italy,

The Fourth Joint Sheffield Conference on Chemoinformatics, 18-20 June 2007, The University of Sheffield, UK.
http://cisrg.shef.ac.uk/shef2007/


For additional conference listings see http://www.ccl.net/cca/info/conferencelist.shtml

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**ISQBP Website**

http://isqbp.umaryland.edu/ISQBP

The site contains a variety of information about the ISQBP including a somewhat fragmented history of the organization. Please visit the site and let us know your thoughts on the site as well as the types of information you would like to see on the site. In the future we hope to add an interactive job forum to the site. Email comments to Alex MacKerell

View photos from the 2006 President’s Meeting in Strasbourg.

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**Membership Information**

**Annual Dues:** Annual dues for the ISQBP are $30 US. Dues may be paid via Paypal.com or via check. Please visit the ISQBP website for more information. As all governance and organizational efforts of the ISQBP are performed by volunteers. Accordingly, dues are used to support society-sponsored events including the various workshops and meetings that are supported by the ISQBP.

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**ISQBP Leadership**

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*Indicates up for election in 2007