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# Richard Lavery ISQBP President, 2007-2008

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

**6<sup>th</sup> European Biophysics Congress**, July 15-19, 2008, Imperial College, London, http://www.ebsa.org/

**7th European Symposium of The Protein Society,** May 12-16, 2007, Stockholm-Uppsala, Sweden, http://www.proteinsociety.org/

**21st Annual Symposium of The Protein Society,** July 21-25, 2007, Boston, Massachusetts, http://www.proteinsociety.org/

**Modeling Interactions in Biomolecules III,** September 8-13, 2007, Prague, http://physics.mff.cuni.cz/kchfo/workshop07/

Albany 2007 15th Conversation (Biomolecular Stereodynamics) June 19-23, Albany, NY, http://www.jbsdonline.com

MGMS Silver Jubilee Meeting, March 13th 2007, London 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, http://www.nettab.org/2007/

**The Fourth Joint Sheffield Conference on Chemoinformatics**, 18-20 June 2007, The University of Sheffield, UK. http://cisrg.shef.ac.uk/shef2007/ **3rd Theoretical Biophysics Symposium** (TheoBio-07); June 16-20, 2007, Cetraro, Italy, http://chimica.unical.it/TheoBio-07/index.htm

12th Intl Conference on the Applications of Density Functional Theory, August 26-30, 2007, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, http://www.mcr2006.nl/dft2007/welcome.php

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

## **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.

### **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.

President	Richard Lavery	2007 - 2008
Vice President	TBE	*
Secretary	Caterina Ghio	2007 - 2009
Past-President	Alex MacKerell	2007 - 2008
Treasurer	Jane Murray	2004 - 2006
	Nigel Richards	2007 - 2009
Councilors	Lennart Nilsson	2006 - 2008
	Tim Clark	2004 - 2006*
	Modesto Orozco	2005 - 2007*
*Indicates up for election in 2007		

### **ISQBP** Leadership