



The Australian Society
for **Microbiology**
bringing Microbiologists together

Queensland Branch

Annual General Meeting

Join us to celebrate another year of
ASM-QLD

Tuesday, 3rd September, 6:30pm

Venue: Yeronga Services Club

Fairfield Rd, Yeronga

**Dinner will be served (7pm) before the start of the
meeting (8pm)**

Members: Free

Non-members: \$35

All committee positions are up for election this year:

- **Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor**
 - **3 student representatives**
 - **6 ex-officio positions**

If you are interested in contributing to ASM Qld branch, a description of each role (as written in the By-Laws) is included. You are also encouraged to contact current Committee members for further discussions. To nominate, fill in the nomination form and email it to Jillian Templeton by the RSVP deadline.

Even though dinner is complementary for ASM members, we require all attendees to RSVP to provide definitive numbers for the venue.

RSVP: COB Thursday 28 August 2014

Jillian Templeton

Jillian.Templeton@daff.qld.gov.au



Yeronga Services



Australian Society For Microbiology
Queensland Branch

Nomination Form
Queensland Branch Committee: 2014/2015

I wish to nominate

for the position of

Proposed by:

Name and signature

(Must be a current financial member of ASM)

Date

Seconded by:

Name and signature

(Must be a current financial member of ASM)

Date

I accept this nomination

Name and signature

(Must be a current financial member of ASM)

Date

Return nominations form to:

Jillian Templeton

Jillian.Templeton@daff.qld.gov.au

Deadline COB: Thursday 28 August 2014

Roles of the ASM Qld Branch Committee as defined in the By-Laws:

*2.4 The Branch **Secretary** shall be responsible for communication with the national Office, the notification of Branch Committee meetings, keeping of minutes of Branch Committee meetings and General meetings, and dealing with correspondence on behalf of the Branch Committee.*

*2.5 The Branch **Newsletter Editor** shall be responsible for the regular publication and distribution of Branch news including notification of non-Committee Branch, group and general meetings, and functions to all members of the Branch.*

*2.6 The Branch **Treasurer** shall be responsible for the daily control of Branch finances, the presentation of a financial update at Branch Committee meetings and the audited financial statement presented at the Annual General meeting.*

*2.7 The Branch **National Councillor** shall be a Member of the Society, represent the Branch and present its views at National Council Meetings, advise the Branch on matters of national policy, and act as **Chairperson** of the Branch Qualifications Committee.*

*2.8 The **Ex-Officio** Committee members will be allocated, by the Committee, roles that are relevant to the activities of the Committee.*

The role of the **Student Representative** is not defined in the By-Laws, which only states that there are to be *one to three Student representatives (no more than one representative per University offering a degree in Microbiology)*. Traditionally, the Student representatives are assigned the task of organising the annual Becton Dickinson Student Award.



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Queensland Branch presents:

Microbiology in Maleny

MiM2014

Saturday 29th November 2014

Tranquil Mountain Park Resort, Maleny

We are seeking nominations for speakers for MiM2014. This event is the highlight of the year for ASMQ, and is a great way to showcase your work to Queensland's microbiology community at the end of the year. We encourage ECRs and students (Honours and PhD) to apply also.

If you are interested in applying for a presentation at MiM2014, please send us the following details:

- 1. Your name and Institutional affiliation;*
- 2. The area of microbiology you work in;*
- 3. A short title for your talk;*
- 4. Whether you are an ECR or student (15 minute slot) or a more senior staff member (30 minute slot).*

Please submit these details to Mohammad Katouli (Mkatouli@usc.edu.au) by COB on Thursday 28th of August 2014 if you are interested. The committee will evaluate all submissions and decide on the final program.

We look forward to seeing you in Maleny at the end of the year!

MICROMON
DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY
MONASH UNIVERSITY
MELBOURNE

RECOMBINANT DNA TECHNIQUES COURSE

Sunday 30 November – Friday, 5 December, 2014

Micromon, in the School of Biomedical Sciences, is now seeking enquiries and applications for its next recombinant DNA techniques course which will provide comprehensive training in the essential skills of *recombinant DNA technology*. Highly regarded throughout the industry and by former participants, this outstanding and established course has attracted applicants from diverse backgrounds in private, government, scientific, clinical, educational and commercial organisations. It is an extremely intensive and demanding week-long course, designed to teach the fundamental skills of Molecular Biology to professionals from all scientific disciplines, who have had minimal previous experience. It is also an ideal workshop for those who would like to consolidate their current, basic-intermediate, skill level. Entry requirements include a tertiary level qualification in science, medicine or a related discipline. We will also accept applicants with extensive, practical laboratory experience.

The course consists of eleven hours of theory provided by a group of experienced lecturers who are all active researchers, experts in their relevant fields and are widely published. Full descriptions of their research work and publications can be found at med.monash.edu.au/microbiology/research

The practical training involves more than 30 hours of experimental laboratory work and tutorials. This is provided by graduate instructors who routinely use the applications and procedures in an active research environment. The key feature of the workshop is our tutor to participant ratio which is one to four, for all workshop sessions and tutorials. A comprehensive manual with all lecture slides, protocols, procedures and references is provided, together with a disk containing all lecture presentations.

The all inclusive fee is **\$1,900 (GST-exclusive)** and as part of the package we provide morning and afternoon teas, delicious gourmet lunches, and refreshments at the end of each day. Also included in the package is the Micromon dinner on the Thursday evening that includes awards and presentations. There is an extensive range of demonstration equipment for use plus the relevant product information supplied by our commercial, scientific sponsors. A course attendance certificate will be awarded on completion. This package offers an excellent value for money opportunity for interested participants. Information on reasonably priced, university-based or private commercial accommodation can be provided on request.

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