



#### **Editor's Note: SciX 2022!**

The readership will probably notice that the October Newsletter is a bit early compared to recent months. One of our key team members who helps with formatting and making the Newsletter is taking a well-deserved break at the end of September. Coincidently, there is plenty of information we wanted to get out to our readership before SciX, so the timing works out well!

As most of our readers know, our post-SciX Newsletters are filled with photographs of spectroscopists we have honored during this conference, as well as photographs capturing the spirit of our networking time. If you capture some great images of yourself or colleagues during SciX, please don't hesitate to send those images to myself at <a href="mailto:luisaprofeta@gmail.com">luisaprofeta@gmail.com</a> and include any pertinent information regarding the event and any people to be mentioned in the image.

## **SAS Sponsored SciX Events and Sessions**

SAS is sponsoring and supporting several sessions and networking events during the course of SciX which are listed below.

Date	Start Time
Sunday, 2 October 2022	
Poster Session (Ballroom B)	7:15 PM
Monday, 3 October	
Award Presentations and Plenary Sessions Lippincott (Ballroom C)	10:45 AM
Governing Board Lunch (Location TBD)	12:00 PM
SAS: Spectroscopy in Space (Meeting Room 1)	3:50 PM
Ellis R. Lippincott Award Symposium Honoring Martin Zanni (Ballroom C)	3:50 PM
Happy Hour/Exhibit Tables (River Center Lobby)	5:30 PM
Student Event (Molly Malones)	8:00 PM
Early Career Event (Smoke Justis)	8:00 PM

Tuesday, 4 October	
SAS PAT Technical Section: PAT in Pharma (Meeting Room 7)	8:30 AM
Exhibit 10:00 AM	
SAS Organized Session: Navigating Challenges to Achieve Success as an Early Career Spectroscopist, Part 1 ( Meeting Room 7)	1:30 PM
SAS Organized Session: Navigating Challenges to Achieve Success as an Early Career Spectroscopist, Part 2 (Meeting Room 7)	3:50 PM
Awards Ceremony	7:30 PM
Wine and Cheese (Covington 1&2 Marriott)	8:30 PM
Wednesday, 5 October	
Exhibit	10:00 AM
Award Presentations Strock (Event Center)	10:45 AM
NESAS and SAS Lester W. Strock Award Symposium Honoring Igor Gornushkin (Ballroom D&E)	1:30 PM
Thursday, 6 October	
Award Presentations Meggers (Ballroom D&E)	10:45 AM
FACSS Governing Board Meeting (Location TBD)	12:30 PM
SAS and Applied Spectroscopy William F. Meggers Award Symposium (Ballroom D&E)	2:00 PM
SAS PAT Technical Section: PAT in BioPharma and Pharma (Meeting Room 6)	2:00 PM
Celebrating Peter Griffiths 80th Birthday (Meeting Room 1)	2:00 PM

### Early Career Interest Group SciX Events and Sessions\*

Following the success of the inaugural SAS Early Career networking event at SciX last year, the Early Career Interest Group (ECIG) invites early career scientists to our upcoming event at SciX 2022! Come and network with other early career scientists and invited leaders in the field of spectroscopy, all while enjoying delicious food and cocktails just a few blocks away from the Convention Center.

Location: Smoke Justis

302 Court Street, Covington, Kentucky

Date: Monday, 3 October 2022

Time: 8:00-11:30 PM

Doors to this special event will close at 9:00 PM. The event is free and open to SAS Early Career Scientists and select invited guests only—we will be checking registration with membership status and issuing wrist bands to enable entry to the event. Your registration will be canceled if you are not an Early Career SAS member, eligible sponsor, or invited guest. For this special event, early career scientists are considered those within ten years of completing their terminal degree.

\*This event has limited spots available. If you are planning to attend, please RSVP here: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sas-early-career-interest-group-networking-event-scix-2022-tickets-412135296767">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sas-early-career-interest-group-networking-event-scix-2022-tickets-412135296767</a>

This event is made possible through the donations of our generous sponsors:

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We thank our sponsors for supporting Early Career Scientists and this special event! Employees from each of our sponsors will be in attendance at this event and available to speak about employment opportunities with their employers.

As a reminder, ECIG is also sponsoring two special sessions at SciX that will take place on Tuesday afternoon. In these sessions, our invited speakers will talk about their lives as early career scientists and then participate in a panel discussion during the last time slot of each session:

22CTP/EARLY03: Navigating Challenges to Achieve Success as an Early Career Spectroscopist, Part 1 Chairs: Fay Nicolson and Andrew Whitley (1:30–3:10 PM)

22CTP/EARLY04: Navigating Challenges to Achieve Success as an Early Career Spectroscopist, Part 2 Chair: Benjamin Manard (3:50–5:30 PM)

For additional details about these sessions, check out the SciX 2022 Program page.

# **Speed Mentoring at SciX by the Coblentz Society**

Once again, the Coblentz Society is sponsoring speed mentoring at SciX and we need your experiences as mentor to help the next generation of analytical chemist, spectroscopist and scientists! We are looking for your help as mentors. We will be having in person Speed Mentoring session at the lunch hour on Monday. The past mentoring sessions have been very well received, fun, and enlightening for all who attended. Speed Mentoring is a fun, fast paced session that enables a structured interaction with a dozen or more scientist/spectroscopists from various industries, academia, and government labs that enable the mentees to get an understanding of what it's like to work in those different areas. If you are attending SciX please consider giving mentees the



benefit of your experiences. We would ask you to register on-line for the Speed Mentoring session at the Coblentz website at https://members.coblentz.org/Events

### Applied Spectroscopy Practica News

Contributed by Richard Crocombe

The Society for Applied Spectroscopy (SAS) has signed an agreement with its publishing partner, SAGE, to launch the Society's second journal: *Applied Spectroscopy Practica*. This is the culmination of a large effort from many members of the Society over a period of two years, including a Working Group, the Publications Committee, and the *Applied Spectroscopy* editorial team. Many thanks to everybody who worked on this project for SAS, and also to the SAGE team led by Hester Tilbury!

Practica will be an Open Access (OA) journal, meaning that papers published are available to all at no charge. The founding Editor-in-Chief will be Richard Crocombe. It will focus on the publication of practical applications of a previously or currently developed field or theory. Papers from all fields of scientific endeavor in which spectroscopy is utilized are considered for publication from venues including universities, institutes, government and industrial laboratories, and analytical instrument manufacturers. The society therefore believes that this new journal will be of particular interest to industrial spectroscopists, in industries like chemical, petrochemical, polymers, pharmaceutical, personal care, etc.

*Practica* will initially be published quarterly, with the first issue scheduled for March 2023. The journal will be available on the SAGE website, where papers can be freely accessed online, and via PDF downloads. In addition, SAS will distribute a digital "e-book" version of the journal.

In the future, there will be "special collection" virtual issues for papers on related topics like spectroscopy of chiral molecules, spectroscopy and energy storage, spectroscopy of microplastics, applications of portable spectrometers, etc.

Further details will be available here, and in other communications to Society members—we will let you know when the journal's web site is up and running, and when and how to submit manuscripts. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please send them to Richard Crocombe at <a href="mailto:racrocombe@gmail.com">racrocombe@gmail.com</a>





Andrew Whitely at SAGE's headquarters in London with Hester Tilbury (Publisher, STM Acquisitions, center) and Lucinda Periac-Arnold (Senior Publishing Editor, right)

Richard Crocombe and Sergei Kazarian (Editor-in-Chief, Applied Spectroscopy) with the SAGE team in London. Clockwise from bottom left: Richard, Lucy Price (SAGE Marketing Manager), Lucinda Periac-Arnold (SAGE Senior Publishing Editor), Kirstyn Malcolm (SAGE Associate Editor), Sergei, and Hester Tilbury (Publisher, STM Acquisitions).

Do you have something spectroscopy-related you want to discuss in the newsletter? Or something that will help our membership such as career tips or application tips? Please let us know by emailing <a href="mailto:luisaprofeta@gmail.com">luisaprofeta@gmail.com</a>.

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