

Service Crystallography Special Interest Group, Annual Report 2013

2013 Service SIG elected officers are:

Chair: Christine Beavers

Chair Elect: Peter Mueller

Secretary: James Fettingner

At the 2012 Meeting in Boston, the Service SIG proposed the following sessions:

How to be an Effective Reviewer Chair: Peter Mueller

Computational Tips and Tricks Chair: Louise Dawe and Jason Mercer

At ACA 2013 in Honolulu, the Service SIG **sponsored** or co-sponsored the following sessions:

13.03: Improving Structural Models through Computational Tips & Tricks. Chairs: Louise Dawe, Jason Mercer

13.06: Cool Structures. Chairs: Richard Staples, Yulia Servyugina

13.10: Reviewer Practices - Engaging New Crystallographic Reviewers. Chair: Peter Mueller

The workshop instigated by Service and Small Molecule members “Get the Most out of Cambridge Structural Database System” was well attended.

Notes:

1. There was a Service Etter Awardee this year. The nomination process will be clarified to future session chairs.

2. Service SIG Members Allen Oliver, Amy Sarjeant and Charlotte Stern organized the 2013 ACA Summer School in Chemical Crystallography, hosted at Northwestern University (<http://acasummercourse.net/>).

3. The Service SIG still has a Facebook group! Service SIG members are encouraged to join this group (search for “ACA Service SIG”).

Addendum- Updates from ACA 2013

Proposed Sessions for 2014:

- ◆ “Would You Publish This?” is returning in 2014. Christine Beavers volunteered as chair.

- ◆ Service will co-sponsor Craig Wheeler's proposed session on "Crystallography in Undergraduate Education." (SmallMol)
- ◆ The success of Jason Mercer & Louise Dawe's session "Computational Tips and Tricks" has inspired talk of a transactions session. An interim name of "Computational, Chemical & Biological Crystallography: Complementary methods bridging the divide."

Other business:

- ◆ The Service/SmallMol SIG meeting was still at lunch, even though it has been asked to be other times (evening? Breakfast?) Also separate Small Molecule and Service meetings have been proposed, but it is not known if the members will be amenable to this much change.
- ◆ Phil Fanwick will be doing another Service survey. Should members have any specific questions they wish to have included in the survey they are encouraged to contact Christine Beavers or post survey feedback on the Service SIG Facebook group.
- ◆ The SHELX workshop looks to be happening next year, per George's website: "May 24th 2014: A full-day SHELX workshop is tentatively planned for the first day of the ACA Meeting in Albuquerque, NM, USA." (<http://bit.ly/161BAaw>)