

Nordic Metabolomics Society quarterly newsletter, December 2020

1. **Nordic Metabolomics Conference 2021**

Due to the current circumstances, the 2020 Nordic Metabolomics Conference which was to be in Trondheim in October, was postponed until 2021. The 2nd Nordic Metabolomics Conference (NMC 2021) will thus be in Trondheim, Norway, on October 18-20, 2021. The meeting website is here:

<https://www.ntnu.edu/isb/nmc2021>

In early 2021, the Board of NMS will discuss possible formats of NMC 2021, which may be virtual, on-site, or a hybrid model, depending on the circumstances.

2. **Nordic Metabolomics Society (NMS) networking meeting**

Instead of the annual conference, this year NMS organised an online meeting over two half-days, November 26-27, 2020 (http://www.nordicmetsoc.org/NMSnet2020_Virtual.html).

About 135 participants registered, with first day including introductions to various research groups in the Nordic region, and the second day being dedicated to early-career researchers. Big thanks to the meeting organizers, Katharina Herzog, Nils Færgeman, and Daniel Globisch!

3. **Metabolite Identification Marathon** (<http://www.nordicmetsoc.org/MetIDmarathon2020.html>)

Virtual workshop focusing on latest developments within computational annotation of metabolites and other aspects of metabolomics data analysis was held on October 23, 2020. The event was a great success, with over 400 participants, and the presentations can still be accessed:

<https://chalmersuniversity.box.com/s/orvgjfwb49z7jcxum77f9fzuqj51ok2e>

Big thanks to Kati Hanhineva for the organisation!

4. **3rd Nordic Metabolomics Conference (NMC 2022)**

At the NMS Board meeting on October 8th, 2020, it was decided that Copenhagen will host the NMC 2022. More details to follow. Looking forward to the exciting meeting!

5. **Board members of the Nordic Metabolomics Society**

NMS has nine board members. Next elections for the Board will be held in the Fall of 2021, and five current members will complete their second and last 2-year term. Thus, we will need new candidates, willing to shape the future of metabolomics in the Nordic region!

The statutes of the NMS can be found here: <http://www.nordicmetsoc.org/NMCstatutes.pdf>

One of the current NMS board members, Craig Wheelock, recently completed his second term as a Board member of the Metabolomics Society. Matej Orešič, also NMS Board member, was recently elected to the Board of Metabolomics Society, where he will serve 2-year term. NMS is an international affiliate of the Metabolomics Society.

6. **How to stay connected with Nordic Metabolomics Society?**

Follow us on twitter: @SocietyNordic

Or check the web page: <http://www.nordicmetsoc.org/>

7. **How to become a member of Nordic Metabolomics Society?**

It is easy, go to the NMS web site, <http://www.nordicmetsoc.org/membership.html>, and register. It is free. In case you know colleagues that may be interested in becoming members, please pass this information forward.

As of December 11, 2020, NMS has 199 members. Among the Nordic countries, the membership is as follows: DK (46), FI (23), IS (4), NO (29), SE (48).

Greetings from the NMS Board and All The Best Wishes for 2021!