

Cell Section Report to the SEB Annual General Meeting - Glasgow, 2011

Members: Marc Knight, Jim Murray, Malcolm Bennett, John Girkin, Nick Monk, John Love and Adam Bennett.

The Cell Section has been restructured and developed to include modern approaches to cell biological problems. To this end 3 new sections have been approved and convenors appointed. The section now includes 6 group convenors: Prof Patrick Hussey (Chair), Cytoskeleton; Prof Jim Murray, Cell Cycle; Prof Malcolm Bennett, Cells and Systems; Prof Marc Knight, Cells and Signalling; Prof John Girkin, Physical Cell; Dr. Nick Monk, Cells and Mathematical Biology. Each appointment is for 3 years from 24th September 2010 and Deputies will be elected to share the responsibilities. The Deputies will only attend meetings in the absence of their respective Group Convenor or where they are specifically invited. There are three other current members of the section.

Our first meeting in this format was on 24th Sept 2010 where we discussed the remit of the section and how we will implement change. It was agreed that the overall goal is to enhance and broaden the scientific spectrum of the Cell Section and the SEB and to increase our membership across the new disciplines introduced via the new Group convenors. Salzburg 2012 is the venue of the next SEB annual meeting where we will organise an integrated series of sessions to include all convened groups. Our second meeting on 8th April led to the organisation of a 4 day session on Generating new Biological Insight from Complex Data with several more satellite sessions for the Salzburg meeting.

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Chair of Cell Section