

# ABRF update



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**November 30, 2021**

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## Message from the President

Hello ABRFer's

I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving break. The recent Town Hall that was held on November 17 featured our **NSF Advanced Technological Education (ATE)** proposal that we are aiming to submit in October 2022. A great deal of excellent feedback and ideas were provided by our members and invited guests. As a recap, the aim of this proposal is to create a consortium of ABRF, InnovATEBIO and community college partners for STEM workforce development. Our goals are to on-board new programs, retool to meet the rapidly changing needs in biotechnology and facilitate entry of underrepresented populations into biotechnology career paths.

This event was [recorded](#) If you missed the Town Hall or want to revisit some of the discussion. Also, the slides can be found on our [website](#). Please contact the [ATE Project Team](#) if you would like to contribute to the project or have questions.

[Registration](#) is now open, and I look forward to seeing everyone at the ABRF 2022 Annual Meeting in Palm Springs on March 27-30. I encourage everyone to get vaccinated and get your boosters if you can, so we can safely have the highly interactive and networking events at the meeting that we have come to expect.

I wish everyone a Happy Holidays!

Kevin Knudtson

ABRF President

**ABRF 2022 Annual Meeting – Register by November 30 for the Best Value**



**ABRF** Research • Technology  
**IRIA** Communication • Education

**ABRF 2022 Annual Meeting**

Celebrating science, community, synergy, and resiliency

Palm Springs, CA | March 27-30

Today is the deadline to [register](#) to lock in the 2020 registration rates for the 2022 Annual Meeting. You can also choose to bundle registration with your 2022 membership renewal to save even more. Visit the meeting web site for the latest information.

## ABRF Member-Get-A-Member Campaign



Refer your colleagues to join ABRF and you'll be entered into a drawing to win complimentary registration for the 2022 Annual Meeting. The member who recruits the greatest number of new members **by January 31, 2022** will receive a special ABRF gift card. Help grow the ABRF community.

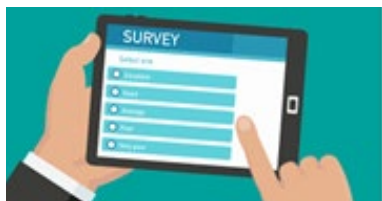
## Member Spotlight: Adrian Gestos, University of Colorado Boulder



[Adrian Gestos](#) is the director of the Materials Instrumentation and Multimodal Imaging Core (MIMIC) Facility. Since joining the MIMIC team in October 2020, Gestos has been helping researchers solve problems with the facility's state-of-the-art equipment, allowing scientists and engineers to characterize materials visually, mechanically and chemically, down to the submicron scale.

Adrian hails from Australia and received his PhD from the University of Wollongong.

## Member Flash Survey – take 1 minute to customize your ABRF profile

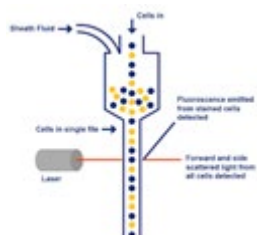


Help ABRF tailor the information you receive. Complete this instant [survey](#) to confirm your position title, role, and primary interest area.

## Founder's Award and Outstanding Scientist Scholarships Available

Applications are welcome for the 2022 Outstanding Scientists [Scholarships](#) and the ABRF Founder's Award, which recognize the efforts of ABRF members in all roles within core facilities. These Awards provide complimentary membership, registration, and travel expense support to enable recipients to attend the 2022 annual meeting.

## Contribute to Flow Cytometry Research Group Instrumentation Survey



There's still time to contribute to the **Flow Cytometry Research Group** [survey](#) on the range of instruments in your core facilities.

## ABRF 2021 Executive Board Election Reminder



Remember to cast your vote in the 2021 Executive Board [election](#) by **December 10**. Select two of the four outstanding candidates to guide the future of ABRF.

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