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ABRF: A Unique Member Community

Welcome to ABRF!

Thank you for joining the Association of Biomolecular Resource Facilities (ABRF) this year. On behalf of the ABRF Executive Board and your 800+ ABRF colleagues, we wanted to contact you to share more about the value of the ABRF community.

We hope you've had a chance to review the ABRF web site, www.abrf.org to learn more about the resources available to support ABRF members, which include:

- Interactive discussion forums to pose questions and get answers on current issues
- Archived content and presentations from the ABRF Annual Meeting
- Details on the work of ABRF Research Groups and Committees, including contact information with details on how to get involved
- Access to ABRF's peer-reviewed Journal of Biomolecular Techniques
- ABRF membership directory to connect with your peers

During these unprecedented times for everyone, ABRF has launched a series of virtual member forums to enable everyone to share resources, ask questions, and learn more about how other institutions have responded to the COVID-19 crisis.

As many universities and research organizations start to reopen, these meetings will continue to offer ways for core facilities professionals to engage with each other to create a new way of operating. You will find more details on the schedule for all of the virtual conversations on the special COVID-19 resources page.

ABRF is a supportive, peer-driven network that relies upon the contributions of members to develop programs that meet our needs.

If you have any questions about these resources, or other suggestions to improve the ABRF membership experience, please contact us directly or through ABRF's social media.

Thank you for choosing to be a part of ABRF!

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