



## Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> General Council Meeting, Basel, December 3<sup>th</sup>, 2003

Presidency of the general council: Prof. J.-D. Tissot

Author of the minutes: Patricia M. Palagi

List of presence: the participants of the 3<sup>rd</sup> SPS congress.

### (1) Proposed agenda: accepted

- 1) Approval of the proposed agenda
- 2) Approval of the minutes of the General Council of December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2002
- 3) Report of the president: summary of the activities of the SPS
- 4) Presentation and approval of the counts
- 5) Resignation of a committee member (François Muller) and election of a new member
- 6) Election of the Accounting Reviewer Board
- 7) Approval of the annual membership fees
- 8) Announcement and presentation of the next scientific meeting (2004 Congress in Bern)
- 9) Future of our society
- 10) Other

### (2) Minutes of the General Council of December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2002: accepted.

### (3) Report of the president: summary of the activities of the SPS

- 1) Edition of the Special Issue of the journal Proteomics: Applied Proteomics. 20 articles were published after the normal review process. Guest Editors: P. Palagi, J. Rossier, J.-C. Sanchez, R. Stöcklin and M. Quadroni
- 2) Organisation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> SPS congress with the help of the Local Steering Committee:
  - Axel Ducret, Roche AG, Basel
  - Alex N. Eberle, Departement Forschung, Kantonsspital Basel
  - Michel Daniel Faupel, Novartis AG, Basel
  - Jan Hofsteenge, Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel
  - Paul Jenö, Biozentrum of the University of Basel

Hanno Langen, Roche AG, Basel  
Joël Rossier, DiagnoSwiss SA, Monthey  
Reto Stöcklin, Atheris Laboratories, Geneva  
Jan van Oostrum, Novartis AG, Basel  
Hans Voshol, Novartis AG, Basel

and the help of the SPS Scientific Committee: P. Palagi, J.-C. Sanchez and R. Stöcklin

- 3) Presentation of the new logo of the society
- 4) Financial support for:
  - Two students' registrations to the SPS 2003 congress
  - One grant for the proteomics course in Separation sciences and MS
  - Ascona 2003 (the International Symposium: Elucidationg biomolecular networks by single-molecule technologies)
- 5) Launch of the SPS virtual Journal (SPS' Digest)

(4) Joel Rossier, in the name of François Muller (SPS' treasurer), presented the accounts, and then the report of the Accounting Reviewer Board. The Accounting Reviewer Board approved the accounts. The Assembly as well approved the accounts.

(5) François Muller has officially resigned of the SPS executive committee. The election of a committee new member was carried out. Hans Voshol (Novartis AG, Basel) has proposed himself as a candidate and was elected unanimously.

(6) The election of the Accounting Reviewer Board was carried out. Beat Riederer (University of Lausanne) has proposed himself as a candidate and was elected unanimously.

(7) The annual membership fees were accepted as they are.

Ordinary Members

- Students: SFr: 30.-
- Others: SFr: 50.-

Honorary Members

- SFr: -

Corporate Members

- SFr: 500.-

(8) The next SPS scientific meeting will be held from 6-8 December 2004 in Bern at the Inselspital under the theme "Proteomics: from basics to clinics. Methodology to clinical research." Prof Andre Häberli and Dr. Manfred Heller will lead the local organization. Prof Andre Häberli has made a brief presentation of their proposition.

(9) Among the future objectives of the society are:

- Work more closely with people involved in proteomics
- List the specialties of individuals who want to collaborate to the development of proteomics
- Support groups that desire to develop a proteomic platform
- Serve the scientific community and more particularly students

(10) Other

- Dr Tissot proposed to nominate Lord Sainsbury as an honorary membership. The proposition was accepted.
- Dr Axel Ducret suggested that the SPS could organize other short courses during the year, not only during the scientific congress of the society, with other appealing subjects.