

# SAS SPECTRUM eNEWS

## SAS Membership Chair Search

The Society for Applied Spectroscopy (SAS) is currently looking for an enthusiastic and creative individual to be the next SAS Membership Chair. This person will work directly with Andrew Whitley, the Marketing Chair, and Bonnie Saylor, the Society's Executive Director, to actively expand membership and membership value in the society. This position requires good organizational and project management skills, and responsibilities include:

(i) Chair the membership committee to plan and implement membership expansion, promotion and retention programs.

(ii) Gather, record, analyze, and retain membership statistics and trends.

(iii) The membership committee should study and review the membership and potential membership needs to enhance the society value to the membership. This includes proposing and helping to coordinate membership activities.

In the beginning, the position may take 20 to 40 hours a month for the first few months. Once more familiarized with the position's responsibilities, it is expected that 20 hours per month would be enough to achieve the goals and growth that the society is looking for from the chair position.

If you are interested in volunteering for this important position and for a more complete review of the Membership Chair position and responsibilities, please contact Bonnie Saylor at: [exdir@s-a-s.org](mailto:exdir@s-a-s.org)

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## Pictures from SciX 2018

The holiday season is here and we are sharing some SciX 2018 pictures with all our members and wish everyone a prosperous 2019!



SAS 60th Anniversary cake.

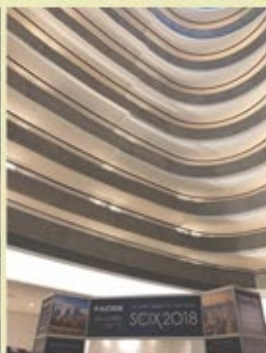


Ian Lewis and Diane Parry (winners of SAS distinguished service award) cutting the SAS 60th Anniversary cake.





*SAS Fellows Award: David Schiering, Linda McGown, and Michael (Micky) Myrick receiving from Mike Carrabba (left to right).*



*SciX 2018 was held at Atlanta Marriott Marquis, the highly patterned and symmetry interior design of which reminded many participants of various optic design elements employed in their own work.*



*SAS Student Event.*



*SciX evening event.*

## **New York SAS Section Announces the January 2019 Meeting**

**Date:** January 24, 2019 **Time:** 5:30 – 8:00 PM

**Cost:** \$15 (members), \$5 (students); RSVP for Dinner by January 23, 2019 to [debperu@outlook.com](mailto:debperu@outlook.com)

**If you cannot attend:** We will live stream the presentation: RSVP for this webinar by January 23 to [debperu@outlook.com](mailto:debperu@outlook.com) and we will send you a link to the webinar.



**Speaker:** Michael Cutrera, M.S., B.S. Consultant, formerly with BMS, USP, Sun Pharmaceuticals, Core Pharmaceuticals, American McGaw Laboratories, Marion-Merrell Dow, R.P. Scherer, Integra LifeSciences Corporation, and IBAH Biopharm, Inc.

**Location:** Horiba Scientific, 20 Knightsbridge Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854 **\*\*Note** that Horiba has moved their location from their historical facility. Condensed directions are: take Route 287 south to Exit 8, at the traffic light go straight across the road; Horiba is second building on the right. Alternatively, take Route 18 North straight. It becomes Hoes Lane, then go left onto Knightsbridge. Go around the circle to the Horiba building on the left or use your GPS or MapQuest or Google Maps to get directions from your location.

**Agenda:** 5:15–5:30: Early Arrive, Sign in  
5:30–6:30: Dinner, networking, and dessert  
6:30–7:30: Welcome & presentation  
7:30–8:00: Q&A and Wrap up

**Title:** The History of the United States Pharmacopeial Convention (USP)

**Abstract:** As we approach the bicentennial anniversary of the founding of the United States Pharmacopeial Convention (USP) in 2020, it is important to understand how such a documented public standard for medicines came into being. This presentation covers the founding and development of USP, and its importance to public health and the development and progress of pharmaceutical science and drug development.

### A short bio of Michael Cutrera

Mr. Cutrera has 38 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, focusing on analytical laboratory management, research and development, and current good manufacturing practices (cGMP) compliance.

He was a long-term member of the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) Council of Experts, and chairperson of several USP Monograph Development and Standard-Setting Committees. He served as USP's Director of Monograph Modernization. Currently a member of the EDQM Expert Working Group on Chromatography. He organized and served as Co-Chairperson of the Pharmaceutical Analysis Symposium at the annual Rocky Mountain Conference on Analytical Chemistry (from 1992 to 2004), and from 2002 through 2007 Mr. Cutrera chaired the annual Technology Transfer Conference sponsored by the Institute of International Research (IIR). Over the past 25 years, he regularly presented seminars and courses nationwide on pharmaceutical and regulatory science, spectroscopy, chromatography, method and cleaning validation, instrument qualification, cGMP compliance, auditing, investigations, remediation, laboratory operations and technology transfer.

### Fourth International Turkish Congress on Molecular Spectroscopy

TURCMOS2019 will be held from 5–9 August 2019, in Ephesus, Kusadasi, Aydin, Turkey. We would like to host you in the city where the Aegean sun, the Ancient City Ephesus and the House of Virgin Mary will welcome you.

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