



CBMS workshop – New call

The Chemical and Biological Microsystems Society (CBMS) seeks workshop proposals.

Over the past three years, the CBMS has hosted a variety of individual or series of workshops, focusing on: Acoustofluidics (in collaboration with the USWNET society, Organ-on-a-chip technology, and Microfluidics for Hematology. See <https://cbmsociety.org> for more information on these past events.

CBMS workshops aim to foster in-depth discussion on timely topics of interest for the microfluidics community, bridge to other scientific fields and other scientific societies/communities, and promote interactions among scientists and other industrial and non-industrial stakeholders. Workshops are organized as small-sized satellite events by one or a few chairs, approved by the CBMS, in an academic setting.

Following the success of these events, the CBMS has decided to extend these activities and invites for the submission of new proposals for workshops. Workshops should typically fulfill the following criteria:

- focusing on a timely research area of interest for the microfluidics community;
- fostering interactions with other scientific communities and blending academic researchers with stakeholders and industrial partners;
- having a structure similar to MicroTAS with a combination of invited and selected talks, poster presentations, and if possible, interactive sessions;
- being of small-size (100-150 people; about 2 days);
- being located at a university venue or similar academic setting;
- being financed through registration fees as well as industrial sponsors and other parties;
- and fostering gender, ethnic, and geographical diversity.

Priority will be given to proposals not only addressing exciting topics, but also supporting a series of workshops (with a targeted yearly or bi-yearly basis) and not one individual event, and presenting creative ideas to promote inter-disciplinary and inter-sectorial interactions. All workshops should implement a peer-review process of the submitted abstracts to select oral presentations.

The organization of the workshop will be supported by the CBMS through the CBMS workshop liaison and PMMI, who will assist with logistics, a budget, advertisement, etc. At the end of the workshop, the main organizer(s) will be asked to deliver to CBMS scientific and financial reports. Based on these documents and recommendations for new chair(s) and appropriate location, the CBMS will decide whether to continue the workshop.

If you are interested in proposing such a workshop, please submit attached to proposal to info@cbmsociety.org by May 1, 2020.

Proposals will be examined by the CBMS board of directors during their next spring meeting and selected based on the aforementioned criteria.

Please contact CBMS (info@cbmsociety.org) for additional information.



CBMS workshop – Application form

Proposed title for the workshop:

Description of the workshop (ca. 1 paragraph per element):

Scientific focus;

Timeliness and relevance, including a list, if applicable, of similar meetings and type of attendees for those existing meetings;

Workshop format highlighting innovative elements;

Proposed potential invited and keynote speakers for the 1st edition.

Organizers:

Primary organizer(s) for the 1st edition and associated scientific committee (possible chairs for following editions): Names, affiliations and emails;

Short biography of the primary organizer(s) including past experience, if applicable, in organizing workshops, scientific meetings or similar scientific events. (ca. 1-page max. if one primary organizer, else ½ page per primary organizer if multiple primary organizers).

Timing, location, attendees:

Rationale for the location (continent, city and specific venue);

Potential dates (avoiding any conflict with the annual MicroTAS conference and other CBMS workshops);

Expected numbers of attendees for the 1st edition, oral contributions, and poster presentations.

Funding:

List of possible external sponsors and exhibitors.