



NBTE

Netherlands society for Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering

NBTE Newsletter - July 2020

Dear NBTE member,

The NBTE has started making arrangements for the 2020 **NBTE annual meeting**. If possible, it will be held in De Werelt in Lunteren on **26-27 November 2020**. If Covid-19 tells us otherwise, we will offer a hybrid online/live meeting or even a full online meeting if needed.

Our evening speaker will be **Dr. Anna Herland** from Karolinska Institute & Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm with a presentation about *in vitro* neural models and hybrid bioelectrical systems.

This year, we will have focus session titled "**Battle of the Matrix**" where two speakers will defend their preference for natural / synthetic materials. Prof.dr. Janette Burgess (University Medical Center Groningen) and Dr. Matt Baker (MERLN institute, Maastricht University) will engage in this debate.

On Friday, Prof.dr. Veerle Bloemen (University of Leuven) will present on behalf of our Belgian sister society BSTE.

The submission of **oral and/or poster abstracts** for the NBTE annual meeting has opened on the website (<https://nbte.nl/annual-meeting/abstract-submission>). The abstract template can be found as an attachment. Please note that the deadline for abstract submission is **October 25**.

In addition, the registration for the meeting has opened. More information on the registration options can be found on the website (<https://nbte.nl/annual-meeting/registration-annual-meeting>). Registration closes on **October 25**.

During lunch, a **corporate session** will be organized for PhD students and post-docs who would like to know more about positions in industry. You will receive more information about this after registration.

Concerning the **NBTE board**, Jos Paulusse, Lizette Utomo and Andrea Lolli will step down this year. Those who are interested to join the board can apply via e-mail. Lizette & Andrea have indicated that they would like to be re-elected as post-doc members.

We are also looking for two volunteers for the **financial auditing committee of 2021**. Staff members, post-docs or PhD students are eligible for this task. Please send me an e-mail when you are interested.

We are planning to give more information through our **LinkedIn account**, but would like you to use this account as well to spread news across the society.

Last but not least, we will introduce the **Best scientific photo award** this year. The award winner will be given the opportunity to pitch the science behind the picture. Eligible are original, non-photoshopped images. Deadline for submission by e-mail is **October 25**.

Please enjoy the summer and hope to see you in November.

Best regards,
on behalf of the NBTE board,

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