



## **35TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NIGERIAN SOCIETY OF BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY (NSBMB) – OTA 2016**

### **ANNOUNCEMENT & CALL FOR PAPERS**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Nigerian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (NSBMB) annual conference is the foremost academic forum for leading scientists and researchers in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and the allied sciences from the academia, industry, medicine, food, agriculture, and other sectors in Nigeria, Africa and beyond to present and share their current research outputs. The conference offers attendees the opportunity to learn new research techniques and skills as well as build effective research collaborations. The 35th edition, holding in the serene, secure and beautiful grounds of Covenant University, parades notable biochemists and speakers including Dr. (Mrs.) Gloria Elemo, the Director-General of Federal Institute of Industrial Research, Oshodi (FIRO), Prof. Viola Onwuliri, a former minister of state for Foreign Affairs, and Prof. Akintunde Akindahusi among others. The Olumbe Bassir Guest Lecture will be delivered by Prof. Lawrence Ezeanyika of the Department of Biochemistry, University of Nigeria, Nsukka. The conference will feature a keynote presentation, plenary sessions and scientific paper presentations covering interesting topics in all areas of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology including: Nutrition; Food; Medicinal Plants; Microbial Biochemistry; Biochemical Toxicology and Pharmacology; Biomembranes; Xenobiochemistry; Enzymology; Biochemistry Education and Bio-entrepreneurship; Molecular Biology & Biotechnology; Cancer Biology & Research; Bioinformatics; Proteomics & Genomics, etc. The conference will also feature a pre-conference hands-on-training workshop on gene expression analysis. A combination of world class hospitality, delicious cuisine and biblical spirituality, from the Covenant University platform, will add color and zest to the 2016 conference.

**DATE:** Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

**VENUE:** African Leadership Development Center, Covenant University, Ota, Nigeria

**THEME:** "Catalyzing National Development through Biochemistry and Molecular Biology"

#### **CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES**

- Nutrition, Food and Agriculture
- Medicinal Plants, Drug Discovery and Pharmacology
- Public Health and Wellness
- Biochemistry Education and Bio-entrepreneurship
- Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
- Environmental Biology and Toxicology
- Enzymes in Industry
- Bioinformatics, Proteomics and Genomics
- Cancer Biology and therapy
- Microbial Biochemistry
- Clinical Biochemistry
- Natural product Chemistry
- Nanotechnology

## **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS AND PAPERS**

Papers are invited from all areas of Biochemistry (Nutritional Biochemistry, Animal and Plant Biochemistry, Microbial Biochemistry, Molecular and Applied Biochemistry, Clinical Biochemistry, Forensic Biochemistry, Bioinformatics and Biotechnology) and other related disciplines.

## **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS AND FULL PAPER**

The abstract should be of 250-300 words typed in Microsoft Word Times New Romans, Font size 12, and in good English. The abstract should contain the Title, Author(s) and Affiliation(s), Address(es) both physical and e-mail, and FIVE Keywords. The Abstract should be structured into sections including **Background, Materials and Methods, Results and Conclusion.**

Telephone number and email address of the corresponding author (identified by placing an asterisk by the surname) should also be indicated. Abstracts should be submitted on the conference website (<http://nsbmb.covenantuniversity.edu.ng>) not later than 16th October, 2016.

To submit an abstract; participants will be expected to pay the appropriate conference registration fee as well as the abstract processing fees of ₦2000 (Two Thousand Naira Only) per abstract into the account of NSBMB Covenant University Branch (Zenith Bank Plc., Account No: 1014823847).

Register on the conference website by logging into <http://nsbmb.covenantuniversity.edu.ng>; click on conference registration and fill in the required details. Follow the prompt for upload abstract and upload the abstract and the scanned copy of both the conference registration and abstract processing fee payment tellers. The payment of the abstract processing fee is a prerequisite to processing the abstract but DOES NOT guarantee eventual acceptance by the Scientific Committee.

The full articles presented during the conference, and accepted for publication after standard peer-review process will be published in the Nigerian Journal of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. The full article should be arranged in the order. The first page of the manuscript should contain the title (in bold title case), the Name(s) of the Author(s) in full, their Affiliation(s), Full Address and e-mail of corresponding Author and a full text of the Abstract (250-300 words). The text should be organized into the following sub-sections in bold lower case letters: Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, Acknowledgements and References. References should be purely Harvard style. Manuscripts that do not conform to the recommended format, deadline and payment of prescribed fees will be rejected. As with the abstract, the full paper should be submitted at <http://nsbmb.covenantuniversity.edu.ng> not later than 31<sup>st</sup> November, 2016.

Alternatively, structured abstracts and scanned payment tellers may be submitted via email attachment to: [nsbmb2016@covenantuniversity.edu.ng](mailto:nsbmb2016@covenantuniversity.edu.ng). Note that only structured abstracts accompanied by relevant payment tellers will be processed. As with the abstract, the full paper may be submitted to: [nsbmb2016@covenantuniversity.edu.ng](mailto:nsbmb2016@covenantuniversity.edu.ng).

## **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

- Members: ₦20,000
- Non- members: ₦25,000
- Government Agencies: ₦35,000
- Corporate Organizations: ₦50,000
- Undergraduate Students (with I.D cards): ₦2,000
- Postgraduate students (with I.D cards): ₦5,000

- Foreign Participants: \$250

### **PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP**

The conference will also feature a pre-conference workshop scheduled to hold on Monday October 31 – Tuesday, November 01, 2016. This is a two-day hands-on training on gene expression analysis featuring primer design, RNA extraction, Reverse Transcription Polymerase chain Reaction etc. The workshop is designed for only 40 interested participants on a first-come-first-serve basis at a flat rate of ₦25, 000 per person. Pre-registration on the conference website and pre-payment are required to secure a space.

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### **ANNUAL DUES**

- Ordinary Members (Lecturer 1 and below): ₦5,000
- Senior Lecturers: ₦7,500
- Professorial Cadre: ₦10,000
- Fellows: ₦20,000
- Students (with valid I.D. cards): ₦2,000
- Corporate Body: ₦20,000

## EXHIBITION

- Companies/Organizations can apply for exhibition space (s) as follows:
- One-table stand: ₦30,000
- Two-table stand: ₦50,000

Limited advert spaces are available in the book of Abstracts as listed below

- Back Cover Page: ₦100,000
- Inside Front Cover Page: ₦100,000
- Inside Back Cover Page: ₦80,000
- Center page: ₦70,000
- Full Page: ₦30,000
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- Quarter Page: ₦10,000
- Messages (less than 50 words): ₦5000

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Name of Bank: Zenith Bank Plc.

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## ACCOMMODATION

Hotel/Guest Houses	Contact	Price Range
Covenant University Guest House (1minute drive)	08035709715	₦10,000 - ₦30,000
Camp House, Canaanland (3 minutes' drive)	07010629184	₦1,500 - ₦4,500
P.M.C. Hotel (10 minutes' drive)	08023054616	₦4,200 - ₦10,500
Temperance Hotel (10 minutes' drive)	07082060519	₦10,972 - ₦18,500
Grand-Bank Link Hotels (2 minutes' drive)	07030281941 08178147356	₦18,500 - ₦32,000
Prowess Hotel & Suites LTD, Iju. (6 minutes' drive)	08054113339 08064570757 08037201703	₦4,500 - ₦27,000

Please note: Prices are subject to change by the hotels' management.

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