

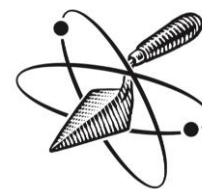
The Society for Archaeological Sciences (SAS)

VP for Intersociety Relations Report

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- SAS continues to be a member of the Federation of Analytical Chemistry and Spectroscopy Societies (FACSS) and organized two invited speaker symposia at the in-person SciX conference in October 2021 in Providence, Rhode Island. One of the symposia was the “Student Research in Archaeological Chemistry” session (chaired by student SAS member Alex Bertacchi), which is intended to be an annual feature at SciX with ongoing organizational and funding support from SAS. Invited student speaker registration fees were fully funded by SAS and corporate sponsors in 2021. Zipkin continues to serve as the voting delegate from SAS to the FACSS Governing Board. SAS member Mary Kate Donais has replaced Zipkin as the Art & Archaeology Section Chair for the upcoming October 2022 FACSS SciX conference in greater Cincinnati.
- Additional recurring programming partners included the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois in April 2022 (the SAS-sponsored symposium “Eternal Migrants? Scale, Meaning, and Practice in the Archaeologies of Past Migration”, organized by Beth Scaffidi and Gina Palefsky), the United Kingdom Archaeological Sciences conference in April 2022 in Aberdeen, Scotland (sponsored three student prizes), and the GMPCA archaeometry congress in Chambéry, France in May 2022 (sponsored one student poster prize). SAS will continue to co-sponsor the International Symposium on Archaeometry, administering an iteration of the R.E. Taylor student poster prize at the event in Lisbon, Portugal (May 2022, after report prepared).
- The reporting period saw a considerable broadening of the Society’s partner programming offerings. First time partners included the International Obsidian Conference (May 2021), the VIII Congreso Nacional de Arqueometría (September 2021), and the 3rd International Congress on Archaeological Sciences in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East (March 2022). An ongoing focus is fostering new partnerships with national and regional organizations based in the Global South. Recommendations and introductions from the membership are welcome.
- The SAS Inter-organization Delegates consist of Marcela Sepulvéda (Congreso Latinoamericano de Arqueometría y del Simposio Latinoamericano sobre Métodos Físicos y Químicos en Arqueología, Arte y Conservación del Patrimonio Cultural), Adrian Burke (Groupe des Méthodes Pluridisciplinaires Contribuant à l’Archéologie), and Rebekah Kurpiel (Australasian Research Cluster for Archaeological Science). Zipkin is also nominally an inter-organization delegate through his role on the FACSS board. Delegates must be current, non-student SAS members and should have a leadership role or other strong connection to an external organization with which SAS intends to develop joint programming and potentially enter into an ongoing partnership. Recommendations of possible delegates, including self-nominations, are welcome.