

News Letter June 2020

Hafjell meeting 2021 - should you plan to participate to the meeting? *Leon Reubsaet*

The meeting is planned to be organized from Sunday January 24th to Wednesday January 27th. A lot of sunshine, no wind, minus 5 degrees Celsius and perfect skiing weather is already ordered. However, we are well aware of the differences in our everyday lives impacted by the Corona Virus, and also that we need to relate to both health risks and organization risks. We will follow the corona situation over the summer and act accordingly. As by now, we plan to organize the meeting in its usual form and it still looks like most of the activities of the symposium will be possible to organize as usual and have already secured some very exciting speakers for the meeting. The first of the exhibitors have also signed up for participation. We are 200% motivated for making sure the 2021 symposium is going to be a successful meeting! Talks, posters, exhibit, sleeping arrangements and food/drinks all fall within the boundaries of the official guidelines. So we are going full speed ahead with the planning.

What is going to happen is the following: Registration will open after the summer, maybe a little later than you are used to and in a different format, because we are going to use a new registration system. Information about the effect of the Corona Virus will be continuously updated.

Please remember, the participants (that's you!) are the symposium. Without you, the symposium will not be possible, and there will be no academic community for mass spectrometry. Hold the dates in your calendar and remember to sign up when registration opens.

Exciting Speakers confirmed for Hafjell 2021

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As it is now the academic program will keep the structure from earlier years, it is the content we hope to tempt you with. The following speakers have accepted our invitations to the Hafjell meeting: Sarah Trimpin, Andreas Thomas, Jonas Bergquist and Alexandros Asimakopoulos.

These speakers are all experts within mass spectrometry, but all of them within their specific academic focus: Sarah Trimpin got awarded the Biemann Medal Award in 2019 for her discovery and development of the ionization technique Matrix Assisted Ionization (MAI) and she is a professor at Wayne State University in Detroit. Andreas Thomas comes from the Deutsche Sporthochschule in Koeln with expertise knowledge of the use of mass and neuro chemistry at Uppsala University, and he has a unique competence with implementing the use of mass spectrometry in the clinic. Alexander Asimakopoulos works as associate professor in environmental chemistry at NTNU and is an expert at using mass spectrometry for environmental samples.

There are still more invited speakers that we are waiting to hear back from. In addition, we sincerely hope that you want to make your own contribution to this meeting with an interesting talk.

New logo and new websites

Lene Hop Johannessen NSMS is proud to present our new logo and brand-new <u>websites.</u>

Logo and homepages have now been given a modern and contemporary expression. They are customized for multiple formats. So that you can now read our websites on mobile, tablet and PC. They look equally good anyway. Our logo is also customized for use in most social media and is excellent for print. We have chosen to keep the Norwegian colors in the logo as well as the special M. This M has a history in the company and is special to our area of interest, Mass Spectrometry. What this M symbolize you can read about <u>here</u>.

We've cleaned up and redesigned our website. It is now easy to navigate and find the information you seek and it has a fresh new look. Here you will find registration for our next winter meeting when it is opened. Relevant courses will also be published here. We encourage our members and others who might be interested, to use our new pages. Feel free to tell us about courses and news relevant to many. We can publish this here. We may also contribute financially such courses.

Support for the organization of user meetings

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NSMS used to help organize user meeting. This is something we want to continue with, but we are totally dependent on help from you. What we think are important is to create meeting platforms for everyone working with mass spectrometry. If you are thinking of creating a course in MS for your colleagues, which you think others could also benefit from, or if you want to invite great speakers that you think others would also be interested in hearing, so remember that you can apply for economic support from us, to help you reach out to a broader audience. Please do not hesitate to contact us!

On our Home Page you will always find information about: <u>Membership</u> <u>Georg Hvistendahls meorial fund</u> <u>Up coming MS-events</u>

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