

**Division Nomination Form 2021**

**Divisions**

The Divisions plan the Society’s scientific programme; each one works independently to plan some conference sessions, whilst some symposia are developed with a cross-cutting theme in mind. Members have the opportunity to influence the Annual Conference and Focused Meeting structure and content and be part of producing high quality scientific programmes.

Division terms of reference can be found [here](https://microbiologysociety.org/why-microbiology-matters/council-governance/divisions.html). However, members interested in joining a Division should contact the relevant Chair or Chair-Elect and discuss the expectations and requirements of the role and what they can contribute. The term of office for all positions is three years from January 2022 to December 2024.

As a guide, Division members should have the following:

* at least 2 years’ membership of the Society
* knowledge and/or experience of organising scientific events
* knowledge of key individuals and relevant contacts and/or networking skills in their area of expertise

The Divisions meet twice each year and undertake further work via email and teleconference. Members must ensure they are able to commit the time necessary to be active participants in the work of the Division. Members are required to attend all Division meetings; failure to do so may result in being asked to leave your position on Division.

Nominations are invited from Full, Full Concessionary, Postgraduate and Honorary Members. Nominees must be willing to commit the necessary time and ideally have the skills and experience required to be effective in these roles. The closing date for nominations is **4 May 2021.**

**Please email your nomination to** appointments@microbiologysociety.org

The Society is committed to creating an inclusive culture that supports equality and diversity and fully reflects both its membership and the global microbiology community across all protected characteristics. The Society seeks to actively encourage all practices that reflect a diverse society.

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| **1. Nomination** |
| If you are interested in applying for a position on a Division, please familiarise yourself with the terms of reference and submit your nomination. You can self-nominate or submit nominations for other members of the Society.**I wish to nominate/self-nominate:** |
| Name |  |
| Position |  |
| Work address |  |
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| **2. Vacancies** |

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|  | Eukaryotic Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Eukaryotic Division is seeking nominations for **two members**. Although areas of expertise are not restricted, the Division has vacancies for two members, both for Population and Evolutionary Biology.  |
|  | Population and Evolutionary Biology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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| Other (*please state)* |  |

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|  | Prokaryotic Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Prokaryotic Division is seeking nominations for **twelve members.**  Please tick your area of expertise – it is possible to tick more than one subject area. If you are doing this then please rank from 1 up to 3, with 1 being the most relevant.  |
|  | Environmental (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Prokaryote Genetics (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Biotechnology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Veterinary Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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|  | Prokaryote Infection (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Prokaryote Molecular Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | Food Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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|  | Plant Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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|  | Agricultural Microbiology (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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| Other (*please state)* |  |

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|  | Virus Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Virus Division is seeking nominations for **four members**. Please put a cross in the box that best fits your area of expertise – it is possible to mark more than one subject area. If you are doing this then please rank from 1 up to 3, with 1 being the most relevant. |
|  | Translational/drugs/vaccines (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | DNA (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |
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|  | RNA (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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|  | Innate immunity (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm or rank 1–3*). |

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| Other (*please state)* |  |

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|  | Irish Division (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
|  | The Irish Division is organised on a regional basis and is seeking nominations for **two members** based anywhere in Ireland.  |
|  | Please state the region you represent |  |

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| **3. Personal statement**  |
| **(a)** Please demonstrate your skills and expertise relevant to the Division remit and how this will benefit the Society. **300***–500 words.* |
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| **(b)** Please indicate what you hope to achieve (on a personal or professional level) from a term of office as a Division Member. **300***–500 words.* |
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| *NB. These statements will be provided to Microbiology Society members in the event of an election.* |
| **4. Declaration** |
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|  | I confirm that I have been a Member of the Microbiology Society for the last 2 years or more (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
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|  | I have discussed my nomination with the Chair or Chair-Elect of the Division to which I am applying (*please put ‘X’ in box to confirm*). |
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| Name (BLOCK CAPITALS) |  | Date |  |
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| Membership Number |  |  |  |
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