

ORAL MICROBIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY GROUP
of the
BRITISH SOCIETY FOR ORAL AND DENTAL RESEARCH

RULES

1. Name and Purpose

- a. The name of the organisation shall be the Oral Microbiology and Immunology Group of the British Society for Oral and Dental Research (BSODR), herein after referred to as OMIG.
- b. The purpose of the organisation shall be to promote and encourage teaching and research in oral microbiology and immunology. It shall also facilitate communication of research findings.

2. Membership

- a. Membership of OMIG shall be open to:
 - i. All members of BSODR.
 - ii. Workers in cognate fields.
- b. Applications for membership shall be submitted to the Secretary and approved by the Committee.
- c. Membership is free to BSODR/IADR members (join at the time of IADR annual membership renewal) and is £20 per year for non-members, payable by standing order on 1st April each year.

3. Meetings

- a. There shall be an Annual General Meeting held normally at the time and place of the BSODR. The AGM will elect officers and committee for the subsequent year, consider the activity of the Group, agree any membership fee and take such decisions as are required for the successful operation of OMIG. Motions for discussion at the AGM may be tabled at the AGM (other than as provided in Rule 5).
- b. Additional scientific or business meetings shall be arranged at the discretion of the Committee.
- c. Non-members may attend the scientific meetings under the conditions specified by BSODR for its meetings.

4. Officers and Committee

- a. The following shall be elected as provided in Rule 3a:
 - Chairman: three-year term, re-electable on annual basis.
 - Secretary/Treasurer: – three-year term, re-electable on annual basis.
 - Three Councillors: three-year fixed term.
 - One European *associate* member: three-year fixed term.
 - One co-opted industrial *associate* member: re-electable on annual basis.
 - One postgraduate student *associate* member: two-year fixed term.

(Note - each year one new member of the Committee shall be elected; this member shall replace one old member who has reached the limit of three years).

Additional committee members (up to a maximum of two) may be co-opted by the Committee from time to time. Such co-options should be approved at the next available AGM. Co-opted committee members should not serve in that capacity for more than three years.

- b. The officers and Committee shall meet at least once per year to organise the affairs of the Group. It shall have power to arrange joint activities with other interested bodies. Administrative expenses incurred shall be a charge upon OMIG and BSODR.

5. **Amendments to Rules**

These rules may be amended by a vote of at least two-thirds of those members attending and voting at the AGM of the Group, provided that notice of such amendment shall have been received by the Secretary at least thirty days prior to the meeting.

A motion to dissolve OMIG shall be treated as an amendment to these Rules.

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