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Dear ISBF community,

I am writing to express my interest in joining the ISBF Board. Since 2014, when I was a first year PhD student, I have been closely associated with the organization and able to observe the growth of the society into a community with great international impact. I am today an Assistant Professor, running my own lab in Oregon, US, where I have made important contributions to the field of biofabrication through my research centered on the design of bioinks and 3D-models.



I continue to engage in the society both as an active <u>member of the ISBF early career committee</u> and as the <u>chair of the ISBF awards committee</u>. I was furthermore part of the local organizing committee for the Wollongong conference in 2021. As a committed member of the ISBF, I implemented the <u>first ever session on diversity during an ISBF conference</u> in 2021, paving the way for additional ISBF online content on the subject of equity and inclusion in 2022. I am passionate about early career researcher support to further both career development as well as mental wellbeing among biofabrication researchers as we continue to grow our society.

As a Swede who did my PhD and postdoc years in New Zealand, and that is now working in the US – I hold a global perspective and comprehensive lens through which I see the International Society of Biofabrication. There are several qualities that I seek to bring as a candidate for the ISBF board, ensuring that we can keep evolving the field of Biofabrication:

- Expertise: I hold multidisciplinary skills in polymer chemistry, advanced fabrication technologies and tissue engineering and regenerative medicine. I work to successfully link bio-engineering, biomaterials and bio-fabrication along with the ability to challenge conventional design restrictions.
- Passion for the Mission: I wholeheartedly believe in the ISBF mission to foster scientific excellence and technological innovation. I specifically seek to support the development of collaborative research platforms within our society, as significant achievements cannot be reached in isolation.
- Leadership Skills: I am an active member of several research communities, including societies for biomaterials, biobank governance boards, local hospital boards, and ECR leadership groups. I have organized multiple outreach events across both Americas and Asia-Pacific, including DEI workshops and engagement with Indigenous youths to inspire biofabrication and wider STEM learning.

By joining the ISBF board, I would like to help inspire biofabrication learning, networking and communication across a wide spectrum of students and researchers. Ultimately, I seek to continue to learn how ISBF can best enable and support biofabrication researchers across the globe.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Yours sincerely,

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