

INFORMATION ABOUT HILDE MANGOLD POSTDOCTORAL SYMPOSIUM

The Hilde Mangold Postdoctoral Symposium offers an opportunity to ALL participants to listen to some of **the best** selected from abstracts submitted by these junior investigators. Only current (2011 membership dues paid) postdoctoral members at the time of abstract submission are eligible to request consideration for a short talk at the Symposium. The winning abstracts by the best postdoctoral presenters at each SDB 2011 Regional Meeting are automatically entered into this pool for review and selection, forging a close connection among the SDB regional and annual meetings.

The two Symposium co-chairs, selected by the Program Committee will have the opportunity to learn about the peer-review process, session organizing and chairing skills. A BOD member volunteers to mentor this process. Principal investigators/ lab chiefs/ faculty find this a very good occasion to recruit and evaluate potential candidates for positions in their laboratories or department.

Since 2010, the Best Postdoctoral Talk Award has been given to the top speaker as judged by a committee. This award (up to \$1,500) gives the winner the opportunity to attend a course or meeting of his/her choice, upon approval.