

**Meteoritical Society** 

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#### 2022 METEORITICAL SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT



The Society's finances continue to be on a sound footing, and both the Operating Fund and our Investment Fund are currently very healthy. A large portion of the operating budget relates to the publication of *Meteoritics and Planetary Science* (*MaPS*), our international monthly journal of planetary science, which covers topics including the origin and history of the Solar System, planets and natural satellites, interplanetary dust and the interstellar medium, lunar samples, meteors, meteorites, asteroids, comets, craters, and tektites.

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The *MaPS* journal has been published by Wiley since 2010, and our income from Wiley typically exceeds the expenses of the Editorial Office at the University of Arizona (USA), which is managed by Editor Tim Jull.

Society memberships include subscriptions to *MaPS* and *Elements*. Membership with subscription to only the electronic version of *MaPS* is a popular option, although many of our members still purchase the printed version. To keep up with rising publication costs, dues for members desiring the print copy of the journal were raised this year. Collection of membership dues for 2023 began in October 2022. I would like to encourage members to pay their dues in a timely manner, as this helps greatly with financial planning.

Our Investment Fund includes a number of endowed funds. The Nier Fund supports the annual Nier Prize, which recognizes outstanding research by young scientists in meteoritics and closely allied fields. This year's recipient (2022) is Dr. Arya Udry of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (USA). The Gordon A. McKay Fund supports the McKay Award, which is presented to the student who gives the best oral presentation at the annual meeting. The 2021 McKay Award was awarded to Amanda Ostwald at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas for her talk, "Nakhlite and chassignite parental melt compositions compared." The newly established Jessberger Fund supports the Elmar K. Jessberger Award, which recognizes outstanding research in the field of isotope cosmochemistry by a mid-career female scientist. The Jessberger Award will be awarded for the first time at the 2022 meeting in Glasgow to Dr. Maria Schönbächler at ETH Zürich (Switzerland).

The Society also has two endowed funds that support member travel to our annual meetings. The Travel for International Members (TIM) Fund supports travel for members from low-income countries, while the O. Richard Norton Fund supports travel for early career scientists. We thank Tim Swindle and Dorothy and John Kashuba for their continued support to these funds.

The General Endowment Fund supports a variety of outreach projects. Over the last year, the general endowment fund has supported the "Forming and Exploring Habitable Worlds" Meeting, to be hosted by the University of Edinburgh (Scotland), and the ATTARIK Foundation, which promotes the science of meteorites in the Arab world and African continent countries. Endowment funds were also used to support travel to the 2021 meeting in Chicago (USA). We always welcome suggestions for ways in which the General Endowment Fund can be utilized to promote the goals of the Society and enrich its activities. Requests for funding from the General Endowment are considered twice annually, on January 15 and June 15. Proposals should be emailed to the secretary (metsocsecretary@gmail.com). If you have any questions, please contact the chair of the Endowment Committee, Rhian Jones (rhian. jones-2@manchester.ac.uk).



We would like to thank our members and friends of the Society, who generously donated \$55,962 to the various funds during the 2022 fiscal year. Your generous contributions provide direct support that helps strengthen our international community. It is simple to donate to any of our funds when you renew your membership. You can also donate at any time using the following link: https://meteoritical.org/membership/donate. Donations made to any of our funds are always allocated only to the specified fund (e.g., donations to the Norton Fund are *only* used to support student travel). You can therefore rest assured that your donations are being used for their intended purposes.

If you have any questions, or would like to renew your membership with a check, please contact the treasurer (tldunn@colby.edu).

### **2022 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

As of June 2022, the Meteoritical Society comprises 547 regular members, 122 students, 184 retired members, 45 life members, 13 members from developing countries, and 4 complimentary members. This brings us to a grand total of 915 members, an increase of 78 members since 2021, including 44 new student members. Many thanks to Arya Udry for providing these statistics. We have members in 49 countries; however, the statistics show that we still have a lot to do to gain members in many countries and to increase the number of student members. Student memberships are an inexpensive 40 USD and continue to subsidize the registration fee for the Meteoritical Society's Annual Meeting. Student members have the opportunity to apply for travel grants and compete for presentation awards. Students can also attend a Student Reception at the annual Meeting, providing an excellent forum where they can interact with their peers and meet senior scientists in the community. Please encourage your students to join! In addition, the Society does have a mechanism in place to subsidize annual dues for members in low-income countries. Prior approval is required from the Membership Committee for this rate-please refer to our website at http://www. meteoriticalsociety.org for more information.

For those wishing to avoid the hassle of paying dues every year, consider a lifetime membership! For more information and details on how to become a member of the Meteoritical Society, please see our Society web page at https://meteoritical.org/membership/join.

### **MEETING INFO**

2022	14–19 August	Glasgow, Scotland, UK
2023	13–18 August	Los Angeles, California, USA
2024	Dates TBD	Brussels, Belgium (EU)
2025	Dates TBD	Perth, Australia
2026	Dates TBD	Frankfurt, Germany (EU)

## SOCIETY NEWS

Memberships	Complimentary	Developing Country	Lifetime	Retired	Standard	Student	Totals
Argentina					1		1
Australia				4	15	5	24
Austria			1	2	5		8
Belgium				1	6	3	10
Brazil				1	5	4	10
Canada			3	11	22	7	43
Chile					1	2	3
China		3	2	1	14		20
Colombia		1					1
Costa Rica					1		1
Czechia					2	2	4
Denmark				1	1		2
Estonia					1		1
Finland					3		3
France			3	10	25	8	46
Germany		1	8	15	52	4	80
Greece					2		2
Holy See					2		2
Hong Kong					1		1
Hungary			1		2		3
India		2		1	3	3	9
Ireland				1			1
Italy				3	9		12
Japan				9	71	4	84
Korea (the Republic of)				,	2		2
Latvia					<u>ک</u>	1	1
				2	1	1	3
Luxembourg				Ζ	1		1
Malaysia Mauritania		1			1		1
Mexico		1		1			1
		2		1			
Morocco		2		1	2	1	2
Netherlands				1	3	1	1
New Zealand				1	1		
Norway				1	1		1
Poland				1	1		2
Portugal		1			1	1	1
Romania		1			2	1	4
Russian Federation					7	1	8
Singapore				1			1
Slovakia					2		2
South Africa	1			-	2	2	5
Spain				1	8	1	10
Sweden				1	2	3	6
Switzerland			1	5	16	8	30
Turkey					1		1
Ukraine					2		2
United Kingdom			1	10	38	23	72
United States of America	3		25	100	212	37	377
Uruguay					1		1
N/A		2				2	2
Totals	4	13	45	184	547	122	915

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