



Norwegian Bioscience Society

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a syringe, with a blurred background of laboratory equipment. The image is overlaid with a blue tint. The syringe has 'B Braun Omix' and 'Latex-free' printed on it.

# **SCIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND NETWORKING**

– join our society today!

Together,  
***we will promote,  
elevate and advance  
bioscience.***

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**Rein Aasland**  
President of NBS

## A community for bioscientists of all kinds

The Norwegian Bioscience Society continuously works to bring together researchers within our field of science in Norway. Our goal is to aid networking and collaborations across cities and universities – as well as exchanging knowledge and experience between our peers.

The society was formed in 1968 and emerged from an urgent need to create a community for students and scholars alike, facilitating sharing of experience and knowledge and increase nationwide collaboration on our far-stretched country. This necessity led to the formation of NBS, generating a platform for common method development and recruitment to bioscience. Today, we have succeeded in building an international environment for our members, where we exchange experience, learn from each other – and last but not least, fill the need for a social meeting point.

### Where local associations meet the world of science

As the official organization, our society represents Norwegian bioscience and biochemistry abroad, and maintains our connections to the international societies for biochemistry that we are members of. To join these, you must have membership in NBS. We are connected to the Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS), the International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (IUBMB) and the European Federation of Biotechnology (EFB). We were previously named Norwegian Biochemistry Society.

Norwegian Bioscience Society have local chapters in Oslo, Trondheim, Bergen, Tromsø and Ås. During the year, they are autonomously in charge of arranging many interesting events. The important social aspects of meeting, discussing and socializing should not be forgotten. We also offer exciting opportunities for young researchers and students, who can apply for travel grants to cover travels abroad or in Norway.

### We look forward to welcoming you!

*Please contact us to become a member.*







## The important highlight of the winter: The Contact Meeting

The national Contact Meeting is arranged during winter each year – that's why it's often referred to as The Winter Meeting – and the honourable responsibility is shared year by year among the local chapters. Every year we meet up at a ski resort in the Norwegian mountains, for a long weekend of lectures, presentations and scientific exchange. As well as social gatherings, great food and of course – great possibilities for skiing.

The 2024 Contact Meeting was arranged by the Oslo association at Storefjell Resort Hotel in Gol. In 2025, Trondheim arranges the event, and will invite us to the old, rural mining town of Røros. These meetings are of the utmost importance for the society, while they're fantastic meeting points for those who want to extend their network, both nationally and internationally.

The NBS Contact Meeting is an excellent arena for Master and PhD students to communicate their science to a wide national and international audience, perhaps for the first time. The meeting is a place where you encounter new and old collaborators, mentors and friends. It offers an opportunity to lift your gaze and learn about ongoing research – a pleasant remedy for the tunnel vision we often experience in our daily scientific routine. See you in the mountains!

# NBS

# NBS Travel grant

– inspiration, learning and networking.

In 2024, we reinstated the possibility to apply for travel grants, where NBS members can apply for travels to scientific meetings or courses in Norway or abroad. Master students must have been an NBS member for at least one month, while PhD students must show proof of membership for the previous calendar year as well as the current, to apply.

You can only get one travelgrant during your master studies, and one during your PhD studies. Applicants must be actively participating at their chosen destinations, meaning that they will have to be presenting a poster or giving a presentation at the course or meeting. NBS covers 100% of the cost up to 5000 NOK for travels in Norway, and 7500 NOK for travels abroad. Food costs are not covered. We also encourage our members to apply for travel scholarships through FEBS and other sources. Travel grants cannot be used for attending the NBS Contact meeting.

## The application must contain:

- Justification (why is this event important to you)
- Budget
- Written recommendation from a NBS member with thorough knowledge about your project, preferably your supervisor
- You are expected to report back to HQ post-travel, in the form of a mini-article in our publication NBS Nytt



## Send application to:

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