

**THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF BIOCHEMISTRY
AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014**

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the year ended 31 December 2014

The Treasurer presents his report to the Executive Committee together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the governing document.

Status

The International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology is constituted under the laws of The Netherlands and registered with the Chamber of Commerce and Industries in Amsterdam (40532058).

The Treasurer's responsibilities for the financial statements

The Treasurer acknowledges his responsibility to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Union's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the Treasurer should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Union will continue in operation.

The Treasurer is responsible for keeping proper accounting records for the Union which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Union and which enable him to ascertain that the financial statements comply with Accounting Standards. The Treasurer is also responsible for safeguarding the financial assets of the Union and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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F Bonomi

Date:

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

We have audited the financial statements of The International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology for the year ended 31 December 2014 which comprise the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position and related notes on pages 8 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union.

This report is made solely to the Executive Committee of the Union. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Executive Committee those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Union and the Union's Executive Committee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the treasurer and auditors

As described on page 1, the Treasurer is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards of Auditing. These standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standard for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the union's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the treasurer; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- show a true and fair view of the financial transactions of the Union during the year ended 31 December 2014, and of the amounts and disposition at that date of its assets and liabilities, and of its surplus for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the governing document.

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PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Basis of preparation

The International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology ("the Union"), is a not-for-profit organisation and maintains its records and prepares its financial statements in United States dollars.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and under the historical cost convention, with the exception of foreign currency translation and investments, as detailed below.

The principal accounting policies of the Union have remained unchanged from the previous year and are set out below.

Fund accounting

The financial statements of the Union are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. This is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds established according to their nature and purposes, as determined by the Executive Committee.

The assets, liabilities and fund balances of the Union are reported in two funds as follows:

- a) Operating fund, which generally includes unrestricted resources and represents expendable funds that are available for support of Union operations.
- b) Consolidated endowment funds, which consist of the Severo Ochoa, Chester Beatty, Hayaishi and Slater Lecture Funds, which represent resources restricted for honorarium and other support to special lecturers at the Congress; the Lars Ernster Travel Fund, which represents resources restricted for support of travel expenses for selected persons attending various conferences; the Wood/Whelan IUBMB Research Fellowships Fund, which represents resources restricted for support of biochemists carrying out experiments in other laboratories; the Special Initiatives Fund, which represents resources available for initiative actions falling outside the normal routine; the Sigma-Aldrich Corporation Fund, which represents resources restricted for travel scholarships for young investigators to attend IUBMB conferences; and the Brian Clark Fund, which is used to support lectures in an Advanced School in South Africa to take place every second year.

Funds may be transferred from the operating fund to further supplement the endowment funds with approval of the Executive Committee.

Translation

Foreign currency transactions, assets and liabilities are translated into United States dollars based on the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. Gains or losses from the translation are included in the statement of comprehensive income and changes in investment balances.

Subscriptions - Adhering bodies

Subscriptions are recognised as revenue in the period to which they apply.

Functional allocation of expenses

The costs of providing various programme activities have been summarised on a functional basis in the statement of comprehensive income. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among those Union's programme activities which benefited.

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Publication activities

The Union accounts on an accruals basis in respect of its publication activities.

Taxation

The status of the Union exempts it from the payment of taxes in the Netherlands.

Investments

Investments are stated at open market value.

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2014

		2014	2014	2014	2013
		Operating	Consolidated	Total	Total
		Fund	Endowment	All Funds	All Funds
	Note	\$	Funds	\$	\$
Revenues					
Subscriptions - Adhering bodies	2	193,000	-	193,000	195,000
Publication activities - net	1	457,063	-	457,063	441,606
Sigma fund income		-	12,782	12,782	23,052
Interest on bank accounts		10,439	-	10,439	19,098
Investment income		19,411	11,856	31,267	24,263
(Loss)/gain on disposal of investments at market value		(5,129)	(3,133)	(8,262)	95,942
Change in market value of investments		(32)	(19)	(51)	(6,787)
Special donations	3	-	3,000	3,000	-
		<u>674,752</u>	<u>24,486</u>	<u>699,238</u>	<u>792,174</u>
Direct Expenditure					
ICSU dues		4,111	-	4,111	4,541
YSF / YSP		-	40,000	40,000	-
Symposia and interest groups		127,730	-	127,730	149,647
Education		-	-	-	9,600
Wood-Whelan fellowships		-	57,179	57,179	48,199
Prolab award		25,000	-	25,000	28,500
Nomenclature Committee		4,561	-	4,561	4,167
Associated organisations					
- FAOBMB		12,500	-	12,500	12,500
- PABMB		-	-	-	50,000
- FASBMB		15,000	-	15,000	-
- FEBS		3,119	-	3,119	-
Congresses and conferences	4	88,185	-	88,185	165,663
Advanced Schools		-	18,500	18,500	77,693
Jubilee lectures		-	-	-	-
		<u>280,206</u>	<u>115,679</u>	<u>395,885</u>	<u>550,510</u>
Surplus/(deficit) of revenue over expenditure carried forward		394,546	(91,193)	303,353	241,664

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For the year ended 31 December 2014

	2014	2014	2014	2013
	Operating	Consolidated	Total	Total
	Fund	Endowment	All Funds	All Funds
Note	\$	\$	\$	\$
Surplus/(deficit) of revenue over expenditure brought forward	394,546	(91,193)	303,353	241,664
Other Expenditure				
Executive Committee meetings	34,723	-	34,723	74,946
President's office	19,640	-	19,640	4,095
President elect's office	1,639	-	1,639	6,683
General Secretary's office	1,300	-	1,300	5,000
Treasurer's office	2,973	-	2,973	4,469
Publicity and representation	7,613	-	7,613	-
Other administrative costs	5 43,018	-	43,018	59,520
Provision for unpaid subscriptions	27,000	-	27,000	53,000
	<u>137,906</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>137,906</u>	<u>207,713</u>
(Profit)/loss on exchange	99,176	-	99,176	(22,946)
Surplus/(deficit) of revenue over expenditure	157,464	(91,193)	66,271	56,897
Fund balances at beginning of year	1,932,861	696,052	2,628,913	2,572,016
Transfer between funds	(60,353)	60,353	-	-
Fund balances at end of year	<u><u>2,029,972</u></u>	<u><u>665,212</u></u>	<u><u>2,695,184</u></u>	<u><u>2,628,913</u></u>

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2014 \$	2013 \$	2013 \$
Current assets					
Cash at bank	6	820,829		699,398	
Investments	7	1,805,894		1,835,665	
Debtors - subscriptions receivable (net of provisions)	2	48,049		61,200	
Prepayments and accrued income		34,632		43,284	
		<u>2,709,404</u>		<u>2,639,547</u>	
Current liabilities					
Accruals and deferred income		14,220		10,634	
		<u>14,220</u>		<u>10,634</u>	
Net current assets			2,695,184		2,628,913
			<u>2,695,184</u>		<u>2,628,913</u>
Funds					
Operating fund			2,029,972		1,932,861
IUBMB endowment funds	8		665,212		696,052
			<u>2,695,184</u>		<u>2,628,913</u>

These financial statements were approved by the executive committee on

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G Petsko (President)

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1 PUBLICATION ACTIVITIES - NET

	2014	2014	2014	2013	2013	2013
	Gross	Expenditure	Net	Gross	Expenditure	Net
	receipts	receipts	receipts	receipts	receipts	receipts
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
IUBMB Life (Wiley)	252,216	60,000	192,216	247,936	70,010	177,926
Trends in Biochemical sciences (Elsevier Science)	271,097	4,000	267,097	286,795	34,000	252,795
Biotechnology & Applied Biochemistry (Wiley)	-	20,000	(20,000)	13,000	20,626	(7,626)
BioFactors (IOS Press)	-	-	-	-	-	-
BioFactors (Wiley)	15,000	14,015	985	15,000	12,232	2,768
BAMBEd (Wiley)	40,000	31,653	8,347	40,000	32,500	7,500
Molecular Aspects of Medicine	7,727	-	7,727	8,243	-	8,243
Books	691	-	691	-	-	-
	<u>586,731</u>	<u>129,668</u>	<u>457,063</u>	<u>610,974</u>	<u>169,368</u>	<u>441,606</u>

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2 SUBSCRIPTIONS - ADHERING BODIES

	2013	2013	2013	2014	2014	2014	2014
	Debtors	Prepaid	Provision Utilised	Subs due	Amount paid	Debtors	Prepaid
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Argentina	6,000	-	-	1,500	1,500	6,000	-
Australia	2,200	-	-	5,000	5,000	2,200	-
Austria	3,000	-	-	3,000	-	6,000	-
Belgium	-	-	-	5,000	-	5,000	-
Brazil	5,000	-	-	5,000	10,000	-	-
Bulgaria	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	-	-
Canada	-	-	-	8,000	8,000	-	-
Chile	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
China	-	-	-	8,000	8,000	-	-
China (Taipei)	3,000	-	-	3,000	3,000	3,000	-
Croatia	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Cyprus	7,000	-	7,000	-	-	-	-
Czech Republic	-	-	-	2,000	2,000	-	-
Denmark	6,000	-	-	3,000	3,000	6,000	-
Egypt	1,000	-	-	2,000	1,000	2,000	-
Finland	-	-	-	2,000	2,000	-	-
France	8,000	-	-	8,000	16,000	-	-
Germany	-	-	-	16,000	16,000	-	-
Greece	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Hungary	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
India	-	-	-	3,000	-	3,000	-
Iran	1,000	-	-	1,000	2,000	-	-
Ireland	-	-	-	3,000	3,000	-	-
Israel	6,000	-	-	3,000	6,000	3,000	-
Italy	-	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	-	6,000
Japan	-	-	-	16,000	16,000	-	-
South Korea	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-	-
Mexico	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Morocco	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	2,000	-
New Zealand	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Nigeria	2,000	-	-	2,000	-	4,000	-
Norway	-	-	-	3,000	3,000	-	-
Pakistan	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-	-
C/fwd	<u>55,200</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>117,500</u>	<u>116,500</u>	<u>48,200</u>	<u>6,000</u>

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2 SUBSCRIPTIONS - ADHERING BODIES (CONTINUED)

	2013	2013	2013	2014	2014	2014	2014
	Debtors	Prepaid	Provision Utilised	Subs due	Amount paid	Debtors	Prepaid
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
B/fwd	55,200	6,000	8,000	117,500	116,500	48,200	6,000
Poland	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-	-
Portugal	-	-	-	1,500	1,500	-	-
Russia	-	-	-	12,000	10,151	1,849	-
Slovak Republic	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	2,000	-
Slovenia	-	-	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
South Africa	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	-
Spain	-	-	-	6,000	6,000	-	-
Sweden	16,000	-	-	8,000	-	24,000	-
Switzerland	-	-	-	4,000	4,000	-	-
Thailand	3,000	-	-	1,000	-	4,000	-
Turkey	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Ukraine	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-	-
United Kingdom	-	-	-	12,000	12,000	-	-
USA	36,000	-	36,000	24,000	24,000	-	-
	<u>114,200</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>44,000</u>	<u>193,000</u>	<u>179,151</u>	<u>84,049</u>	<u>6,000</u>
Provision for doubtful debts	<u>53,000</u>		<u>(44,000)</u>			<u>36,000</u>	

3 SPECIAL DONATIONS

Donations totalling \$3,000 were received in 2014 towards the IUBMB Brian Clark Fund (see Note 10: Endowment Funds).

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4 CONGRESS AND CONFERENCES

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Taipai 2014	88,185	-
Marrakech 2013	-	165,663
	<u>88,185</u>	<u>165,663</u>

5 OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Archives	532	8,277
Meeting liaison	6,209	11,004
Publications officer	-	-
Website maintenance	1,335	2,224
Investment management fees	17,434	12,684
Audit fees	10,783	4,883
Book keeping and tri-annual accountancy fees	-	-
General expenses	3,764	2,203
Legal fees	696	14,779
Bank charges	2,265	3,466
	<u>43,018</u>	<u>59,520</u>

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6 CASH AT BANK

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Current accounts		
Swiss account	-	-
Bank ABN Amro MeesPierson - Vermogens Spaarrekening	128,494	143,950
Bank ABN Amro MeesPierson - Euro Accounts	570,948	499,991
Bank ABN Amro MeesPierson - US Currency Account	121,387	55,457
	<u>820,829</u>	<u>699,398</u>

7 INVESTMENTS

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Bordier & Cie Investment portfolio (at open market value)	713,787	706,540
Bank Fortis MeesPierson - La Salle	117,508	127,093
Bank Fortis MeesPierson - Securities & Equities (at open market value)	974,599	1,002,032
	<u>1,805,894</u>	<u>1,835,665</u>

The investments above consist of all the Consolidated Endowment Funds and part of the Operating Fund. Investment income, change in market value and investment management expenses arising from the investments have been apportioned between the Operating Fund and Consolidated Endowment Funds. Income and expenditure was apportioned to the individual funds according to their respective balances at the date the transaction occurred.

The historic cost of the Bordier & Cie investment portfolio at 31st December 2014 was \$662,939 (2013: \$658,937).

The historic cost of the Bank Fortis MeesPierson securities at 31st December 2014 was \$1,320,745 (2013: \$1,345,354).

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8 IUBMB ENDOWMENT FUNDS

	At 01 January 2014	Investment Movement	Income and donations received	Payments and refunds	At 31 December 2014
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Severo Ochoa Lecture Fund	23,008	288	-	-	23,296
Chester Beatty Lecture Fund	21,341	267	-	-	21,608
Osamu Hayaishi Lecture Fund	20,327	254	-	-	20,581
E.C. Slater Lecture Fund	28,301	354	-	-	28,655
Wood/Whelan Research Fellowship Fund	-	-	57,179	(57,179)	-
Special Initiatives Fund	482,428	6,032	-	(18,500)	469,960
Lars Ernster Travel Fund	36,371	455	3,174	(40,000)	-
Sigma-Aldrich Corporation Fund	77,099	964	12,782	-	90,845
Brian Clark Fund	-	-	3,000	-	3,000
Edward John Wood Fund	7,177	90	-	-	7,267
	<u>696,052</u>	<u>8,704</u>	<u>76,135</u>	<u>(115,679)</u>	<u>665,212</u>

Severo Ochoa Lecture Fund

Established in 1978 with a gift of \$20,000 from Hoffmann-La Roche for the purpose of endowing a Plenary Lecture at each International Congress of Biochemistry and named after Severo Ochoa, Nobel Laureat, former President of IUB.

Chester Beatty Lecture Fund

Established in 1979 with a gift of £10,000 and 10 gold coins (value \$1,580) by Mr Alfred Chester Beatty, philanthropist, for the purpose of endowing a Plenary Lecture at each International Congress of Biochemistry. All of the gold coins have previously been awarded to members for their services in the field.

Osamu Hayaishi Lecture Fund

Established in 1981 with a gift of ¥5,000,000 by Suntory Limited for the purpose of endowing a Plenary Lecture at each International Congress of Biochemistry and named after Osamu Hayaishi, former President of IUB.

E.C. Slater Lecture Fund

Established in 1985 with a gift by Elsevier Publishing Company for the purpose of endowing a Plenary Lecture at each International Congress of Biochemistry and named after E.C. Slater in recognition of his services to IUBMB.

Wood/Whelan Research Fellowship Fund

Established about 1983 by funds provided by an appeal among the world's biochemists for the purpose of granting short-term fellowships to young biochemists to carry out research and training in a laboratory other than their own. This was named after Harland Wood, former General Secretary and President of IUB, and William Whelan, former General Secretary of IUB. Additions to the funds were made by the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (\$10,000 in 1997, \$20,000 in 1998, and \$18,000 in 2001 from Prof. Whelan). \$90,000 and \$100,000 were transferred to this fund from the operating fund during 2005 and 2008 respectively. In 2005 an anonymous donation of \$14,325 was added to this fund.

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8 IUBMB ENDOWMENT FUNDS (CONTINUED)

Special Initiatives Fund

Established in 1999 by a gift in 1998 of \$100,000 from Professor Kunio Yagi, to which was added the sum of \$43,717, accumulated from the profits of the first IUBMB Conference and further anonymous donations, to be used for special initiatives outside the normal activities of IUBMB. \$200,000 and \$280,000 were transferred to this fund from the operating fund during 2007 and 2008 respectively.

Lars Ernster Travel Fund

Established in 2000 by an anonymous gift of \$100,000 for the purpose of financing the attendance of young biochemists at the International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in memory of Lars Ernster.

Sigma-Aldrich Corporation Fund

Established in 2004 following an agreement between Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and IUBMB to give Sigma-Aldrich Corporation the right to produce, distribute and sell metabolic maps, for which IUBMB is owner of the copyright. Part of the income will be used for travel scholarships for young investigators to attend IUBMB conferences. \$80,000 was transferred to this fund from the operating fund during 2007.

Brian Clark Fund

Established in 2005 by a donation of \$25,000 from Brian Clark. The Executive Committee has decided to use this money to endow lectures in an Advanced School in South Africa to take place every second year.

Edward John Wood Fund

Established in 2009 to honour the memory of Edward John Wood, who served IUB and IUBMB prominently in the field of education of biochemistry and molecular biology. The income of the Fund will be used to support activities in the latter area.