AMSI-ABACBS MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

PARTIES
THE AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES INSTITUTE (AMSI)

AND

THE AUSTRALIAN BIOINFORMATICS AND COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY SOCIETY (ABACBS) Inc.

OBJECTIVES
Reciprocal membership builds the strategic relationship between AMSI and ABACBS and enhances delivery of our respective missions.

TERM OF AGREEMENT
From signing to 31 December 2017. The agreement will be reviewed after one year and updated to include any additional activities.

At the end of the agreement Membership will be renegotiated with the expectation of reciprocal financial institutional membership.

This agreement can be ended at any time by either party.

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

AMSI Committees
- The ABACBS President or nominee will sit on the BioInfoSummer Standing Committee
- The ABACBS President or nominee is invited to attend AMSI Members Meetings

ABACBS Committees
- The AMSI Director or nominee will be invited to sit on any relevant committees
- The AMSI Director or nominee will be invited to ABACBS membership events

RECIPROCAL MEMBERSHIP
AMSI and ABACBS agree to reciprocal institutional membership for the period from signing to 31 December 2017.

AMSI Membership
ABACBS will receive complimentary AMSI Membership for the period of agreement.

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AMSI will receive complimentary Institutional Membership with ABACBS for the period of agreement.

BIOINFOSUMMER: AMSI summer symposium in bioinformatics
Established in 2003, BioInfoSummer is a key training event in Australia, bringing together people from all disciplines to share current research and developments in Bioinformatics and computational biology.

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The BioInfoSummer series introduces bioinformatics and mathematical and computational biology to advanced undergraduate and postgraduate students, researchers and professionals working in a variety of fields.

Sponsorship
ABACBS will provide $13,000 annual sponsorship for BioInfoSummer for the period of the agreement, contingent on sponsorship from EMBL Australia or other external sponsorship of ABACBS to specifically support this. The organizing committee must accept the ABACBS Diversity and Gender Equity Policy as a condition of sponsorship.

While sponsorship of BioinfoSummer is provided, ABACBS will receive the following benefits:

- be listed as a major sponsor on the event website, print marketing material, emails, event program and signage
- will be acknowledged as a major sponsor in the event media release
- have the opportunity to display collateral supplied by ABACBS in the foyer area and lecture theatre(s)
- representatives of ABACBS be invited to the event barbecue and poster session
- have the opportunity to address attendees with a scheduled time in the event program
- have the opportunity to insert marketing material, promotional merchandise and/or stationery into the delegate bag.

Embedded AMSI Internships: Enhancing industry-research collaboration in Bioinformatics
AMSI Intern is a national program supporting multi-disciplinary applied research collaborations. The program connects postgraduate students, industry and researchers for collaborative research projects.

AMSI Intern will work with ABACBS to establish a framework for collaborative activities to be undertaken by both parties in order to facilitate internship opportunities for PhD students in the area of bioinformatics and computational biology.

Activities may include:

- Promotion of the AMSI Intern program to Industry Partners from ABACBS and AMSI Intern networks
- Sharing of business intelligence to develop strategies to target new Industry Partners
- Preparation of joint promotional material and communications

AMSI SCIENTIFIC WORKSHOP FUNDING
As an AMSI member ABACBS will be eligible to apply for AMSI Scientific Workshop Funding.

SCHOOLS AND OUTREACH
AMSI and ABACBS will explore further opportunities for collaboration in this area.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

Maths Ad(d)s
ABACBS will receive one complimentary advert in the annual AMSI Maths Ad(d)s publication, circulated to all schools and AMSI Member universities in Australia.
Cross-promotion of programs and events
AMSI and ABACBS will cross-promote programs and events on the following channels:

- AMSI websites and social media
- AMSI e-news and print bulletin as appropriate
- AMSI posters and reports
- ABACBS website and social media
- ABACBS newsletters and direct mail
- BioInfoSummer promotional material will be included in delegate bags (if utilised) at the annual ABACBS Conference and other relevant ABACBS events.

ABACBS Conference
AMSI will have the opportunity to:
- present to the audience about AMSI programs if practical
- include collateral (provided by AMSI) in delegate bags (if delegate bags are utilised)

AMSI Flagship events
AMSI annual Flagship events comprise Summer School

ABACBS will have the opportunity to:
- include collateral (provided by ABACBS) in delegate bags
- participate in the careers afternoon at the AMSI Summer School or the Careers panel at the Vacation Research Scholarships Conference

Direct emails to AMSI Mailing lists
AMSI will send one direct email to AMSI mailing lists regarding ABACBS Membership each year in accordance with a date negotiated between ABACBS and AMSI. The direct email will be identified as a special member communication.

ABACBS Mailing lists
ABACBS agrees to send up to three relevant targeted promotions to its membership on AMSI’s behalf.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP

ABACBS will be listed as an AMSI Member on
- the AMSI website
- relevant print material
- relevant signage

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- the ABACBS website
- relevant print material
- relevant signage
SIGNED for and on behalf of the **Australian Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Society** as represented by:

Associate Professor Tony Papenfuss  
President, Australian Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Society (ABACBS)

**Signature**  
**Name and title**

In the presence of:

**Witness signature**  
**Witness name**

**Date**

SIGNED for and on behalf of the **Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute** as represented by:

Professor Geoff Prince  
Director, Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute (AMSI)

**Signature**  
**Name and title**

In the presence of:

**Witness signature**  
**Witness name**

**Date**