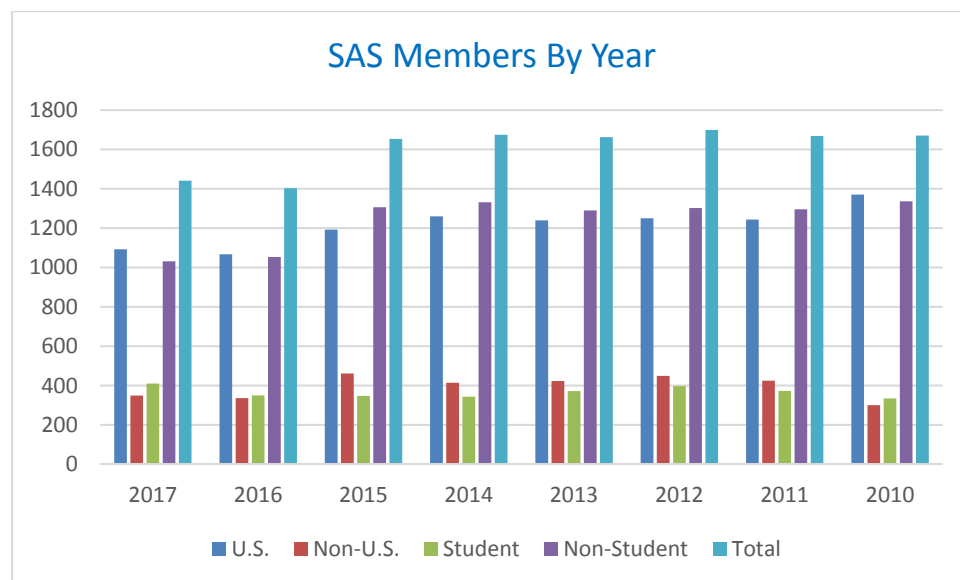


VI-D Executive Director

Executive Director's Report SciX 2017

Membership at a Glance



Category	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
U.S.	1092	1067	1192	1260	1239	1250	1243	1370
Non-U.S.	349	336	461	414	423	449	425	300
Student	410	350	347	343	372	397	373	334
Non-Student	1031	1053	1306	1331	1290	1302	1295	1336
Total	1441	1403	1653	1674	1662	1699	1668	1670

These numbers represent anyone who has been a member in a given year at any time during that year. Thus, some members may have expired by the time the report is run, but they would have been considered a member for that year.

Members and Subscribers

Membership is up slightly for 2017, however, the increase is in student membership which is generally a sponsored membership. Non-Student paying membership is, unfortunately, down over 2016. Since we instituted our three-year dues increase beginning in 2015 we have seen a significant drop in the number of Non-Student Members renewing. While it would be easy to blame the increase, the biggest drop is coming from our online only community. As I have said before, I believe this a function of not receiving anything tangible to remind them of their membership (e.g. no print journal). Our international membership went up again slightly. Of the 349 international members 100 were also students. 157 students and 302 non-student members (95 of whom were print subscribers) from 2016 have not renewed. Our renewal rate has gotten better as we had 590 who did not renew between 2015 and 2016, but 459 between 2016 and 2017. We gained 141 new members so far in 2017 of which 73 were regular members and 68 were students. This time last year we were at 183 new members so we are behind in that area.

Certification

We are pleased to announce that the first year of our new SAS Spectroscopy Certification went extremely well. We 13 applicants certified. All have been listed on our website under Certified Spectroscopists. An email announcement was sent out to all members and other non-member mailing lists that we have. I will be asking the publicity committee to also send a press release to media contacts. The committee comprised of Chair Curt Marcott and members Karl Booksh, Alex Scheeline, and I worked well and the process was successful. The new application period is now open. I encourage all SAS EC members and Governing Board members to apply.

Measure Venture Crowd Funding

The Measure Venture Crowd Funding site is not up and running and ready for people to submit their great ideas. Visit www.crowdfunding.s-a-s.org

Finances

The budget has been prepared by Diane Parry and me with input from the Executive Committee and will be presented by Diane under the Treasurer's Report.

Corporate Sponsors

We currently have 21 corporate sponsors. Thanks to Stephanie Iocco, we have our first Diamond Sponsor - Kaiser Optical Systems. In addition to Kaiser, Stephanie secured three other new sponsors – Optigrate at the Bronze level, Tec5 USA at the Silver level and Hamamatsu at the Silver level. High Purity Standards also moved up from Bronze to Silver this year.

Office

The office is running smoothly. As a reminder, we continue to work out of my basement continuing to save the Society over \$30,000/year by not having to pay rent or utilities.

Other

We have been working on new marketing initiatives with our Marketing Chair Andrew Whitley to boost the exposure of the society. We had a presence at both PITTCON and ICAVS this year to promote membership. We have new signage via meter boards here at SciX to promote the Society. We are selling new T-shirts and polos in support of our upcoming 60th Anniversary in 2018. Plans are underway for 60th Anniversary events at SciX including special sessions, a special member event, and much more.

The following pages contain some additional charts with more detailed member information.

Membership Breakdown	
Total 2017 Members	1441
Regular Members	868
Student Members	410
Interim Members	5
Retired	93
Honorary Members	29
Distinguished Service	28
Emeritus	22
Unemployed Comp	2
Corporate Sponsors	21
Note there are a number of members who overlap in Honorary/Distinguished/Emeritus	
Print or Online	
Print	515
Online	953

Country	2017	2016
Argentina	2	2
Australia	6	5
Austria	12	9
Belgium	7	6
Brazil	4	5
Canada	40	39
Chile	2	1
China	20	22
Colombia	4	3
Czech Republic	3	2
Denmark	6	8
Egypt	1	2
France	7	8
Germany	40	37
Ghana	2	2
Hungary	0	2
Hong Kong	1	0
India	2	4
Indonesia	2	2
Ireland	4	1
Israel	2	3
Italy	5	4
Japan	31	28
Kazakhstan	1	1
Korea, Republic of	5	4
Kuwait	1	0
Lithuania	1	1
Malaysia	3	3
Mexico	7	6
Morocco	0	1
Netherlands	9	6
New Zealand	4	3
Norway	0	1
Pakistan	1	1
Peru	1	1
Poland	2	2

Portugal	1	0
Romania	1	3
Russian Federation	3	5
Saudi Arabia	1	2
Scotland	1	0
Serbia	0	1
Singapore	1	1
Slovakia	1	0
South Africa	1	2
Spain	6	9
Sweden	9	7
Switzerland	6	6
Taiwan, Province of	1	1
Thailand	1	0
Turkey	2	1
Ukraine	1	1
United Kingdom	75	71
USA	1092	1056

Members by Section

Regional

Baltimore-Washington	42
Chicago	41
Cleveland	21
Cincinnati	12
Detroit	9
Delaware Valley	38
Houston	14
Intermountain	16
Indiana	11
Mid-Michigan	6
Minnesota	22
Northern California	24
New England	64
Niagara Frontier	9
New York	55
Ohio Valley	9
Piedmont	11
Pacific Northwest	17
Pittsburgh	27
St. Louis	13
United Kingdom	41

Technical

Atomic	160
BioTechnology	31
Chemometrics	116

Chirality	20
Fluorescence	53
Forensics	38
Imaging	91
Laser Sampling	24
Near IR - CNIRS	62
NMR	9
Polymer Characterization	38
Process	28
Vibrational - Coblentz	296

Student

Brigham Young	5
Clemson	13
Iowa State	2
Purdue University	9
Truman State	6
University at Buffalo-SUNY	15
University of Delaware	8
University of Idaho	0
University of South Carolina	13
University of Utah	5
University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee	0

Special Interest

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