

**Scientific Technical Services Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**  
Thursday, May 5, 2022  
Online Meeting

In attendance: John Antos, Marion Brodhagen, Mark Bussell, Steven Emory, Cristina García-Lasanta, Josh Kaplan, Manuel Montaña, Mark Peyron, Margaret Scheuermann, Kathy Van Alstyne

Meeting was called to order at 9:00am  
Minutes of April 11, 2022 meeting approved

**Announcements/Updates**

- Update on the UIC Laboratory Technician position: currently posted internally.
- Murdock proposal status: proposal in November/December for Murdock. Further discussions on GCMS replacement and new IRMS (isotope-ratio mass spectrometer) are ongoing, including memo to support new staffing commitments. MRI pre-proposal for IRMS to go out in the spring. AMSEC proposal being submitted with overlap with STS.
- STS received a donation of an HPLC instrument as a backup.
- Manuel Montaña announced new instrument being installed in AMSEC is an Agilent 7900 mass spectrometer.

**Discussion/Action Items**

- Discussion on the new 5-year instrument acquisition and replacement plan with staffing needs: process, instruments, accessories including software, space, and the Shops. Work has started on prioritization. Creation of a draft of multi-year document along with creation of Advisory Council member working groups in the Fall.
- Volunteers and nominations for 2022-23 STS Advisory Council Chair – may contact John Antos or Steven Emory.

**Future Council Meetings**

- Selection of Council Chair for 2022-2023 during June meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:40am  
Next meeting: June 1, 2022