

Bioconductor Community Advisory Board (CAB) Agenda

June 8th at 4 PM EST

Members: Maria, Kozo, Aedin, Lori, Johannes, Daniela, Estefania, Kevin, Mike, Hédia, Xueyi, Leo, Nicole, Janani, Umar, Stevie, Luyi, Jiefei, Jordana, Enis, Mengbo

Guest:

Attending: Kozo, Enis, Jiefei, Janani, Mengbo, Kevin, Aedin, Stevie, Johannes, Maria, Jordana

Regrets: Lori

Guests:

Schedule

:00 - :05: Welcome!

:05 - :06 Review minutes from previous meeting for posting

Minutes approved and published on the Bioconductor webpage.

:07 - :08 Governance document

- Governance 0.0.5
- Agreed to add to bioconductor web page.
- Two concerns for further discussion (also with TAB): 1) high-throughput vs broader scope of BioC; 2) primarily R – also, clarify that language.

:09 - :11 Communication channels

- Use the “community-advisory-board-board” members *private* slack channel for communications and updates regarding meetings etc. **Note:** There is a private channel and an open channel. This is referring to the private channel. If anyone is not part of the private channel please let us know your username or email you use for the slack and we can add you

:12 - :25 Bioc2023 Contribution

- Please vote for BiocAwards 2023 by tomorrow **Friday June 9th** so we have time to order the awards. Currently active TAB/CAB members are not eligible for awards as they are the voting members. All nominees submitted from the public are passed to the voting phase except those sitting on the CAB/TAB.
- Video to introduce/present the CAB; should be short (90sec). Maria and Anna (intern) will manage/organize and reach out to CAB members.
- Poster with information on CAB. Agreed to create that and that it should be presented at the conference. Shared poster via Google slides for everyone to edit. Maria and Anna will create poster template and share.

:26 - 30: Spam updates

- Anti-Spam against [Twitter community](#) ; any updates Kozo?
 - After Kozo changed the membership setting from “Open” to “Restricted”, there are no longer random tweets to be posted as before.
 - However, there were no new beneficial tweets at all now. And it’s not easy to find+access. (After those random tweets were removed+the setting was changed).
 - Kozo proposes to stop using and closing the [Twitter Community](#) and promote the use of Bioconductor Mastodon. Kozo will also propose that to the social networking working group (at the monthly group meeting), and write [a biocblog post explaining it](#).
 - Kozo will contact the social networking group to check if the group member can agree.
- Mailing list and support site spam. Any updates Lori?
 - Mailing lists have been moved over to a new server. It appears to be working on limiting/filtering spam. Let me know if anyone is having issues.
 - Support site is on going. We implemented one solution that helped a lot. We are in the process of adding back a captcha on login to help cut down even more.

:31 - :50 CAB Regular Working Groups Reports

Reminder: PR <http://workinggroups.bioconductor.org> and update

- Website redesign update (Maria)
Website working group funded in November.
External company (Nearform) involved
1st phase: core pages (homepage, all existing pages). Now: survey for community, will be circulated next week. To get feedback for issues/things not working now and where to improve. Wednesday 5th July: discussion on current issues and what users expect from the homepage. CAB members asked to join if possible. Thursday: how the webpage should look like. Friday: technical details. Prototype will be presented to the CAB.
- Tess working group: system to make workshops and training material more findable. Volunteers welcome **[Action item: Maria to make pull request on working group repository adding the workgroup]**
 - <https://tess.elixir-europe.org/>
- Community driven events

- Updates for/from the two events (Maria?). Maria was in contact with them, planned to talk with teaching committee regarding format etc. [Maria]: Complexheatmap will be discussed Monday. All proceeding.
- How can they use the official Zoom account (Lori: one of the 3 account admins would have to be present to use the Bioc Zoom. Kozo: Carpentries will provide Zoom for Kozo's event). Change password of account after end of events?
- Kozo proposed a event (named "translation hour, one-hour shared time to translate"). He is trying to do it with the [Carpentries Collaboration Session](#). The reason is that it looks like a very [promising framework](#) and an opportunity to work with the Carpentries, which is [the mission of CZI EOSS](#).
 - But Kozo is late in setting up that session. He can't schedule it at least through June. He's trying to schedule it during July.

:51 - :00 Other Business