A note from the President

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Ann Valentine (Yale), the Paul Saltman Lecturer at the GRC METALS IN BIOLOGY 2009 meeting, with, from left: John Lipscomb (Vice Chair), Ann, Peter Kroneck (Chair), Harry Gray

The Metals in Biology Gordon Research conference is one of the longest standing meetings on the biological inorganic chemistry calendar. Held each January in Ventura, CA, the 2009 meeting was a great success as the Chair and Vice-Chair, Peter Kroneck and John Lipscomb report:

In total, we had 152 attendees coming from 15 different countries. Ann Valentine (Yale) was the Paul Saltman lecturer 2009 (see picture). This award goes to young faculty still up for tenure, and the title of her excellent contribution was: "Considering a Role for Titanium in Bioinorganic Chemistry".

On the first evening of the conference, Harry Gray (Caltech), and Dave Dooley (Montana State) remembered a true pioneer of our field: "Hans Freeman, Friend and Colleague". The complete program is available on the following website: <http://www.grc.org/programs.aspx?year=2009&program=metalsbio>.

Coming up we have the major meeting of the Society in ICBIC-14 in Nagoya from July 25 to 30. This also promises to be a very exciting meeting and I strongly encourage all members of the Society to attend. If you have not already registered, it is not too late: go to <http://icbic14.chem.nagoya-u.ac.jp/index.html>.

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