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Ariana Farina, Founder of Ariana Farina Consulting LLC, is a Regulatory and Quality Systems Consultant to the Cosmetics Industry and member of the IBA Tech Reg Committee. She has over 19 years of experience helping hundreds of brands and factories across the world with their quality, regulatory compliance, and international expansion needs. She has also been employed as a quality assurance and regulatory affairs professional at Herbalife International, HCT Packaging, and Hatchbeauty Products. Recently, she developed and taught the curriculum for a Regulatory class at FIDM.

She received a B.S. in Biochemistry from the University of California - Los Angeles.

MEETING DETAILS

DATE/TIME:

Tuesday - Jan 17th, 2023
5:00 PM to 8:30 PM

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LOCATION:

Universal Sheraton Hotel
333 Universal Hollywood Dr.
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RESERVATIONS:

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MEET YOUR AREA III DIRECTORS!

Area Directors are elected members of the National Society of Cosmetic Chemists Board of Directors, the primary elected volunteer-led governing body of the Society. The Area III Directors function as elected representatives of the Chapters in the area, including California, Southwest and Intermountain West. Their role is to not only act as a liaison between the national office, Board of Directors, and the area's respective Chapters, but support Chapters in their initiatives throughout the years.



AARON PETERSON

Aaron Peterson is the senior Area III Director who hails from the Intermountain West Chapter. After 20 years in the industry, he has come to realize that his passion in life is for people and the connections they have. The SCC has been a vital part of his career and has added so much to his life. He is equally split between time in the lab and time in sales, and he loves them both for different reasons. He loves how global our industry is and yet how small and personal it feels. While he loves his work, it is only a portion of who he is. He is a proud father of four (2 girls, 2 boys) and has an incredible wife who is a creative entrepreneur. She inspires him to be his very best self and supports him in all that he does. As an Area III Director, he hopes to give back even a small portion of that which he has been given. Aaron says, "There is much to be gained through volunteering in regards to ones' personal character. Pursuing further knowledge and education in life also helps to build new neural pathways and

downplays the old adage that 'old dogs can't learn new tricks.'" The SCC fosters both volunteering and education which is why he supports this institution.



VALERIE GEORGE

The newly elected Area III Director is Valerie George. An award-winning cosmetic chemist, science communicator, educator, leader, and avid proponent of transparency in the beauty industry, she most recently worked on the latest research in hair color and hair care at a leading salon professional brand based in Los Angeles, CA. She has also served as Chair of the national Committee on Scientific Affairs, two terms as Chair of the SCC California Chapter, is recipient of the Chapter Merit Award, and is a two-time winner of the Chapter Best Speaker Award. With more than a decade of beauty industry experience, she is a contributing writer at Happi Magazine and the co-host of The Beauty Brains podcast. When Valerie isn't working or volunteering with the SCC, she can be found on Instagram at @cosmetic_chemist, or spending time with her loving husband, Mr. Cosmetic Chemist, at their home in Los Angeles.

They consider themselves part-time pizza critics, and also share a love for coffee. Valerie is most excited for this next chapter with the SCC and working alongside Aaron, because shares in his passion and support for the society.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL REMINDER - 2023

Hello fellow SCC members and friends,

We have over 900 members registered to the CA SCC!!!! If you haven't renewed, there is now a \$25 charge. If you have re-newed, the CASC board has a lot planned for 2023. Check out the calendar and know that for every event you go to you will save lots of \$\$\$\$\$. We have come back strong with monthly meetings that have exceptional content, an amazing Scientific Seminar and exceptional networking!! Our focus for this year is to bring you speakers that are relevant to our industry and can provide to you something tangible to take back to your workplace!

The quickest and easiest way to renew is online!

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Happy New Year everyone! I hope everyone had a restful break and is ready to tackle 2023!

We ended 2022 with a bang by hosting the Society of Cosmetic Chemists' Annual Meeting for the first time ever. I would say that it truly was a success and couldn't have been done without the help of many volunteers. Maybe perhaps in a couple of years we can host again? We shall see... Thank you to everyone involved by making it a huge success.



Moving on to 2023, I'd like to state some of the goals we have as a chapter:

1. Increase membership

- Obtain 1,000 members by the end of the year.

2. Support Next Gen

- Improve overall student engagement
- Increase # of events that are 'student' friendly
- Increase student membership

3. Start an Internship/Mentorship Program

- Looking for companies willing to participate. With the growing activities of NextGen, students are constantly asking if there are any internship/mentorship opportunities. If interested, please contact chair@caliscc.org or any board member. Remember by giving your time to nurture fresh minds, you are literally building the future of our industry.

Since that infamous 2020 year, a huge shift has happened in the way we do business, communicate and engage with one another. Just like the world, our members' needs has changed in some ways. To follow this trend, we are going to mix up the meeting format a bit. If you have been a CA SCC member pre-2020, you may remember that we had 2 speakers at our meeting - one for educational hour and the other for dinner hour. Instead, we will move to one speaker and allow more time for us to interact and engage with one another. Don't worry though, the speakers are still going to be jam packed with knowledge so we won't be losing any educational aspect. Please stay tuned for more changes to come...

With that, we have our first meeting of the year on January 17, 2023 at Universal Sheraton. Ariana Farina will give a 'Major Markets Regulatory Update'. Can't wait to see you all there!

As always, your CASCC Boards' 'door' is always open to feedback and are only an email away...

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CA SCC MONTHLY MEETINGS

- 1/17/23: Universal Sheraton
- 2/28/23:
- 3/21/23:
- 4/18/23: San Francisco, Speed Dating
- 5/23/23: Duke's
- 9/26/23:
- 11/14/23:



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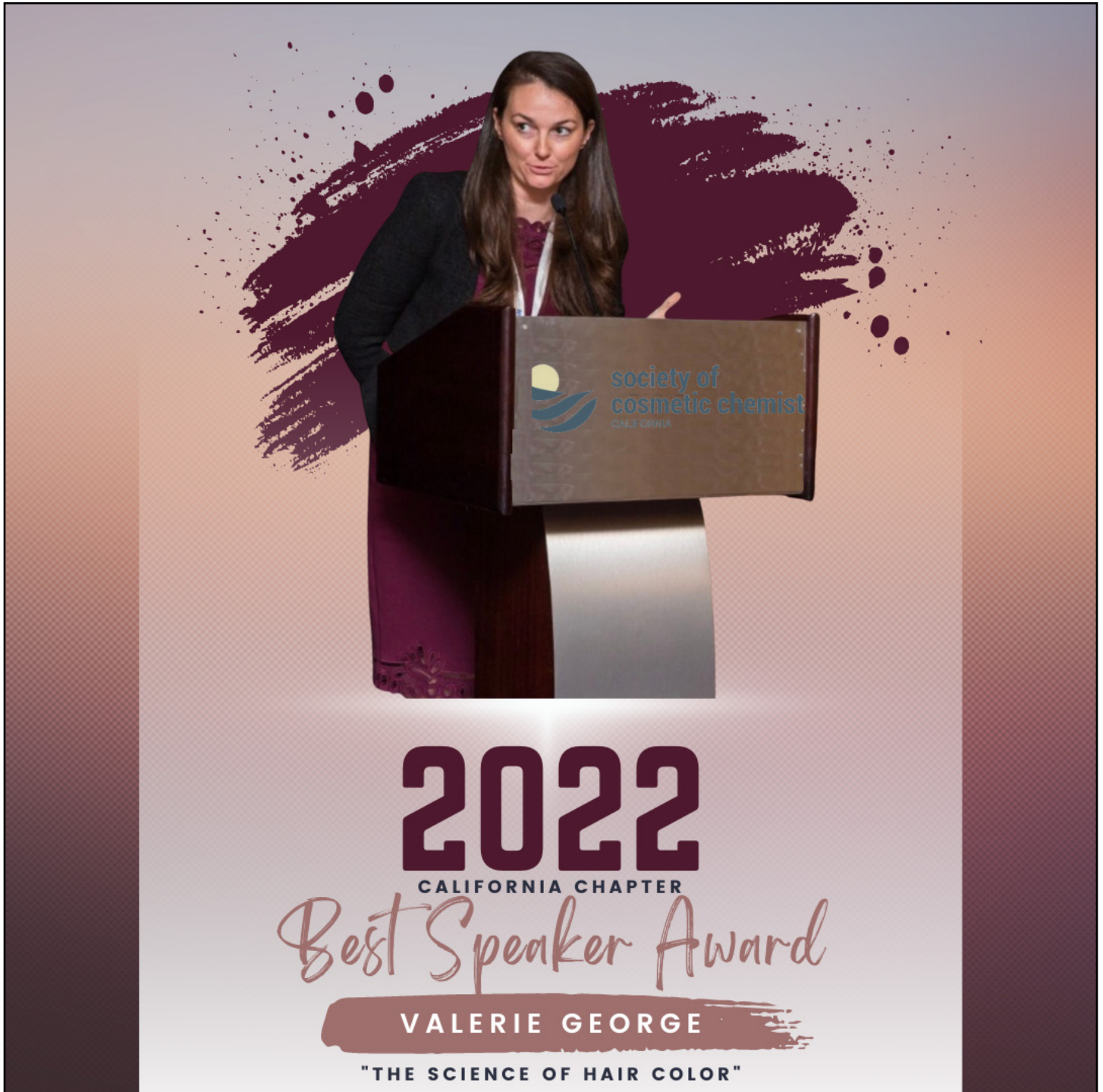
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The Society of Cosmetic Chemists pledges to:

- Stand against racism, intolerance, and discrimination.
- Speak up and address bias wherever we see it, whether conscious or unconscious.
- Foster open, candid, and constructive dialogue.
- Prioritize diversity, equity and inclusion as a primary and essential business function.
- Be an environment in which any individual or group can be and feel welcomed, respected, supported, and valued to fully participate.

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THERAPEUTICS – THE HISTORY OF PEPTIDES

Tripledemic!! The very word strikes fear and is further elevated by sensational news reports. With the Cold and Flu season upon us, vaccines are all the rage. As we know, most of our current therapeutic medications are rooted in the science of proteins. Let's take a look at where this all began...

Much earlier than the discovery of the DNA structure and amino acids by Watson and Crick, A Dutch Chemist named Gerhard Mulder coined the term "Protein" in 1844. The name originates from Greek, "Proteios", which means "First Quality". Mulder theorized that this substance is a constituent of food essential for life and other organic compounds. He also mistakenly concluded that all proteins are composed of a single type of a very large molecule. In 1907, the term Protein was officially recognized in German science and the modern meaning of the substance was established as a class of organic compounds forming an important part of all living organisms. In the late 1800s Proteins were classified as molecules with the ability to coagulate under treatments with heat or acid (like egg whites and blood serum Albumin). Most of the early discoveries into the science of proteins were done by nutritional scientists. Their major discovery was the nutritionally essential amino acids. The discovery of Polypeptides in 1902 by Franz Hofmeister and Hermann Fischer gave rise to a later science of enzymes.



Erica Herrell

Linus Pauling is credited with the successful prediction of regular protein structure, including hydrogen bonding. The very first Protein to be synthesized was Insulin, by Fredrick Sanger in 1949. He correctly demonstrated that proteins consist of linear polymers of amino acids rather than branched chains. Sanger won the Nobel prize for his achievement. Later discoveries were made possible by the invention of X-Ray crystallography which made it possible to sequence protein structures. Another device that aided in the current data bank of over 126,000 protein structures is Cryo-Electron microscopy.

Most of our current antibiotics and viral medications are based on protein science. This science has allowed us as cosmetic chemists to treat many skin conditions as well as aging. We are very lucky to have amazing scientists, such as Dr. Howard Maibach dedicate their research to help combat inflammatory conditions as well as skin aging. The most advanced discoveries in overall aging are rooted in the science of signaling molecules, growth factors and stem cells. The ingredients we use are still classified as Cosmeceuticals. However, many vendors are proving that the peptides they are synthesizing or extracting from either Biofermentation or natural sources have a real effect on skin, including the scalp.

The most important protein structure the cosmetic industry is focused on is Collagen. Hydrolyzed Collagen was first used in the meat industry as a water binder (Gelatin). It was not until the 1970s that this ingredient began its use in dietary products as a substitute for sugar and fat. Later in that decade it was also discovered that Collagen has significant positive effect in joint cartilage, pain management and mobility. It was only in 2011 it was discovered that 28 different structures of this molecule exist and each has a different function in the body. Cosmetic chemistry mostly deals with Collagen type I, found in the skin and tendons. However, the other types also have significant function for supporting healthy young skin and scalp. Later, it was also discovered that Collagen works in conjunction with Hyaluronic

THERAPEUTICS – THE HISTORY OF PEPTIDES (CONT.)

acid to help retain water and keep the skin plump. That is the reason why the first cosmetic skin fillers included Bovine Collagen derived from young beef cattle – yuck!! This practice is still common today with BSE-free certified animals. Most of the focus now in our industry is the stimulation of collagen production by using signaling molecules, such as Retinol. That, my fellow scientists will be the subject of my next article.

Hope all of you had a restful healthy holiday season!!

2022 SCC CHAPTER MERIT AWARD



The SCC Chapter Merit Award was established in 1995 to recognize a member of a Chapter for distinguished contributions, achievements and service to the Chapter. Recognition consists of a certificate of appreciation provided by the HQ Office for presentation at a Chapter event.



2022 CHAPTER MERIT AWARD RECIPIENT

Catherine Hoang was nominated for the 2022 Merit Award by our former CA Chapter Merit Award winners and won this prestigious award. She is a very active member of the CA SCC. She jumps in and volunteers her time to take part in different committees from the Dinner Dance, Photography, Suppliers' Day After Party & CASCC-SCIFTS Sports Committee. She helps out whenever the Chapter needs it and has taken the lead. She has amazing character and we appreciate all that she does. Congrats to Catherine!

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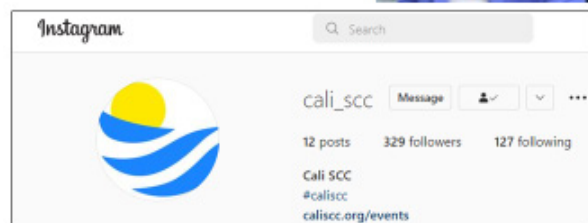
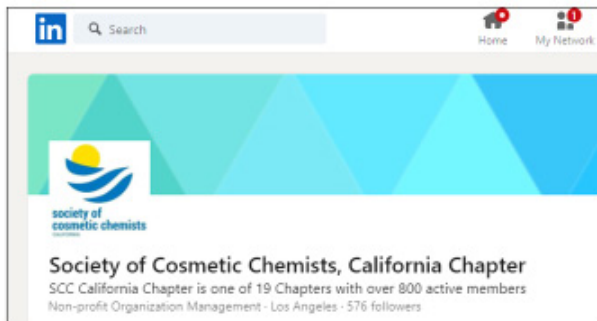
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UNITED STATES

FDA

- Talc: After testing a variety of samples in 2022, the FDA has found no asbestos presence in products containing talc.

FTC

- Green Guides: The FTC will be reviewing their green future updates on outdated info., in particular they are looking for comments on consumer perception of recyclability. They will be open for a comment period.



Ariana Farina

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- Prop 65: Announced intent to list as carcinogens 1-bromo-3-chloropropane, 1-butyl glycidyl ether, and glycidyl methacrylate as carcinogens. Comment period open through Jan. 9, 2023.
- Safer Consumer Products: The Office of Administrative Law approved DTSC's proposal to list nail products containing toluene as a priority product category. A Priority Product Notification must be submitted by Mar. 2, 2023 for all those who manufacture products of this nature.

NEW YORK

- New York Cruelty Free Cosmetics Act: It has been signed into law.

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Thank you!

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