



## 2022 Report of the SAA

The 2022 General Assembly (GA) of the Sequence Analysis Association (SAA) will take place online until the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2022.

## 2020 Annual report and fees

The 2020 General Assembly took place in December 2020. 31 members participated to the organized poll.

- 31 approved the 2020 Annual Report (including the financial statements).
- 30 accepted to maintain no membership fees, 1 does not accept.

## 2020 Election

34 members voted for the 2020 elections:

- Matthias Studer was elected as President of the Association with 34 votes
- All candidates for the Executive Committee are nominated: Raffaella Piccarreta and Brendan Halpin, with 34 votes, Philippe Blanchard, Christian Brzinsky-Fay, Satu Helske, Tim Liao, Gilbert Ritschard, and Emanuela Struffolino with 33 votes.

## Scientific events

- The Webinar of the Sequence Analysis was launched in November 2020 and continued until June 2022. It was managed by Satu Helske and Matthias Studer until June 2021 before being organized by Tim F. Liao and Matthias Studer.
- During this period, 24 presentations were organized. Presentations were recorded and made available for two months to the members of the association via the Web site of the association.
- At the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Social Science Research journal, Tim F. Liao coordinated a joint article on sequence analysis involving 11 members of the association.

Tim F. Liao, Danilo Bolano, Christian Brzinsky-Fay, Benjamin Cornwell, Anette E. Fasang, Satu Helske, Raffaella Piccarreta, Marcel Raab, Gilbert Ritschard, Emanuela Struffolino, Matthias Studer (2022). Sequence analysis: Its past, present, and future, *Social Science Research* 107. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2022.102772>

## Web site

The Web site of the association <https://sequenceanalysis.org/> has a blog, where registered members can share information on SA related events, questions, or comments. It further contains the link to a bibliographic database of sequence-analysis-related publications.



### Finance

In accordance with the decision taken at the 2020 General Assembly, the SAA has a zero budget for this period. The Web site of the association as well as the domain, web hosting, and software license fees were financed through proper funding of Matthias Studer at the University of Geneva. The site, the list of members, and the newsletter are managed on a voluntary basis by EC members. Likewise, the bibliographic database is updated by volunteers.

### Membership

As of today (November 11, 2022) the SAA has 258 regularly registered members.

### Executive Committee

The president and EC members were nominated in December 2020 for two years. The 2022 General Assembly will have to proceed to a new election.

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Matthias Studer, President of the SAA