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## **BIO-BABBLE**



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## HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY ABNA CHRISTMAS

Welcome to our final edition of Bio-Babble for 2023 and what a year it has been!

As we gather with loved ones to celebrate the joy of Christmas, let us reflect on the incredible journey ABNA has embarked on throughout the year. This festive season is not only a time of giving and sharing but also a moment to cherish our collective achievements.

In 2023, we witnessed extraordinary milestones that truly define the essence of our association and have positively impacted our community. The highlight? Our 20th conference anniversary celebration in the Gold Coast! Not only did we celebrate in style (with dolphins!), but we celebrated our members' continuing support while introducing exciting initiatives and avenues for collaboration. These include, the launch of the first ABNA Achievement in Biobanking award, the first ABNA Emerging Leader Scholarship and the launch of the Special Interest Groups.

Your hard work and commitment have been the driving force behind our greatest accomplishments, and we are really looking forward to working with you in 2024 – where more exciting things are yet to come!

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous New Year!



By popular request ISBER has opened a late breaking abstract submission round for the ISBER 2024 Annual Meeting. Abstracts submitted in this round will only be eligible for poster presentations and submissions will be open until Jan 14, 2024. Click **HERE** for more information.



Looking for something to read during the holidays? Check out the ISBER Best Practices: Recommendations for Repositories Fifth Edition, available now at https://www.isber.org/page/BPR



Please note that this will be the last edition of Bio-Babble as ABNA's newsletter. However, we will be back in 2024 under the new name ABNA Exchange. Look out for our first edition!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze 2023 Conference sponsors a very happy holiday. We hope to see you all again in Adelaide Oct 16-18, 2024.









Holiday Greetings from the Management Committee to all ABNA Members!

The Management Committee Elves extend their warmest wishes to all ABNA members for a merry Christmas and a safe, restful holiday season. We look forward to seeing everyone back refreshed and energised in the new year.

In the meantime, enjoy watching the committee in action (while the links last):

- https://elfyourself.com?mld=909102
- https://elfyourself.com?mld=909125
- https://elfyourself.com?mld=909142



Meanwhile the Bio-Babble sub-committee elves seem to have left their hearts back at Sea World Gold Coast

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