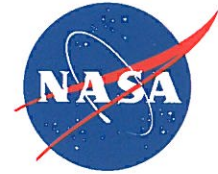


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Background:

As stated in the PhysPAG Terms of Reference, the nominal term of the PhysPAG Executive Committee (EC) members is three years. Accordingly, four members of the PhysPAG EC are rotating off in January 2015: G. Mueller (Gravitational Waves), S. Hanany (CMB), E. Hayes (Gamma-rays), and J. Rhodes (Dark Energy). The remaining members of the EC have terms expiring after December 2015 (see Table 2).

Current member Jamie Bock will be assuming PhysPAG EC Chair functions as of January 2015 leaving an additional vacancy for the CMB area of interest. Thus, a total of 5 new members in the areas of CMB (2 members), Gravitational Waves (1), Dark Energy (1), and Gamma-rays (1) are needed for the new term starting January 2015 and ending December 2017.

On September 9, 2014, NASA issued a call for nominations with due date October 1, 2014 for a selection in November 2014.

Criteria for Selection:

The following criteria were adopted for selection of the EC nominees:

- To maintain balance in the PCOS Program, the primary research areas of interest (e.g., CMB, Gravitational Waves, X-rays, Cosmic Rays, Gamma-rays, Dark Energy) should be represented on the EC at approximately equal levels;
- Continuity with the present membership, to ensure a smooth transition to the new members;
- Geographical and institutional diversity.

Recommendations:

The PCOS Team recommends the candidates listed in Table 1 for the PhysPAG EC membership with terms to start in January 2015 and end December 2018. The final composition of the EC is as presented in Table 2.

Table 1: Recommended new members for the PhysPAG EC

Name	Affiliation	Area of Expertise
J. Conklin	Univ. of Florida	Gravitational Waves
H. Krawczynski	Washington Univ. St Louis	Gamma-rays
O. Doré	JPL	Dark Energy
A. Miller	Columbia University	CMB
E. Wollack	NASA/GSFC	CMB

Table 2: Resulting PhysPAG EC membership

Name	Affiliation	Area of Expertise	Term Ends
J. Bock, Chair	Caltech/JPL	CMB	December 2016
J. Nousek*	Penn. State Univ.	X-rays, hardware	December 2015
J. Bookbinder	SAO	X-rays	December 2015
M. Bautz	MIT	X-rays	December 2016
N. Cornish	Montana State Univ.	Gravitational Waves	December 2016
J. Conklin	Univ. of Florida	Gravitational Waves	December 2017
R. Bean	Cornell Univ.	Dark Energy	December 2016
O. Doré	JPL	Dark Energy	December 2017
A. Olinto	Univ. of Chicago	Astroparticles	December 2015
Eun-Suk Seo	Univ. of Maryland	Astroparticles	December 2016
M. McConnell	Univ. of New Hampshire	Gamma-rays	December 2016
H. Krawczynski	Washington Univ. in St. Louis	Gamma-rays	December 2017
A. Miller	Columbia Univ.	CMB	December 2017
E. Wollack	NASA/GSFC	CMB	December 2017

* Ex-officio, term extended to December 2015

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