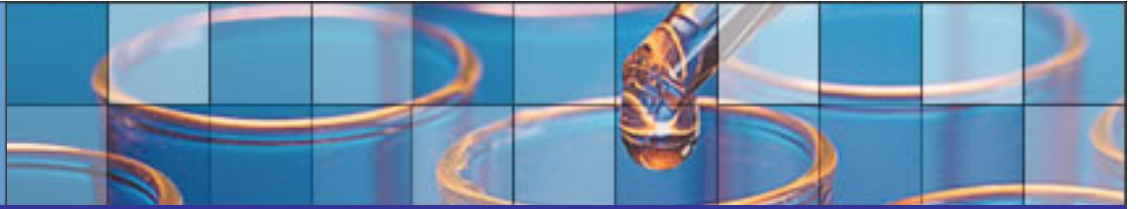




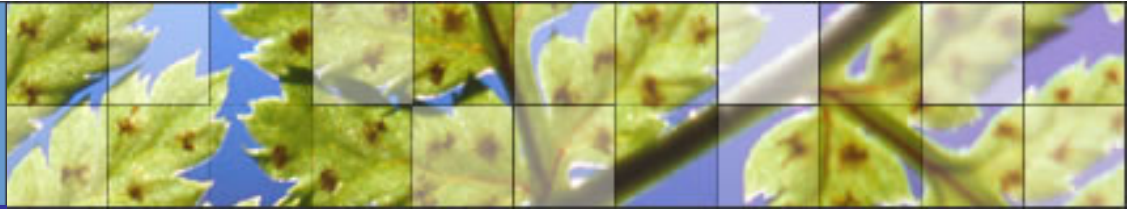
Is Sigma Xi Really an International Society

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Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society

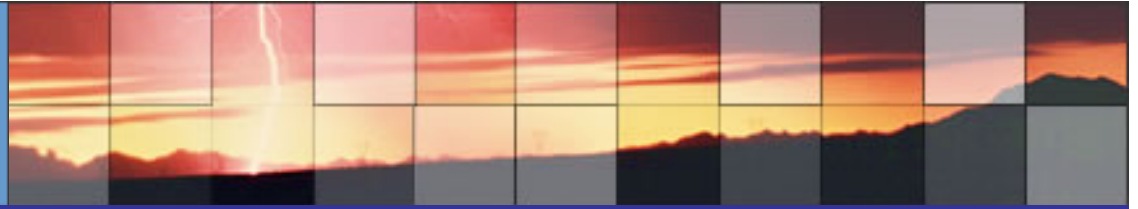
The **international honor** society of science and engineering is one of the **oldest** and **largest** scientific organizations.



Sigma Xi is a professional organization of, and for, scientists and engineers.

We exist to **promote the understanding** and the **responsible practice of science in society** and to **serve our members** in their vocations by:

- **honoring their accomplishments** as investigators,
- **advising and training them** for successful careers, and
- encouraging a lifetime of collegiality that fosters the **exchange of ideas across disciplines.**

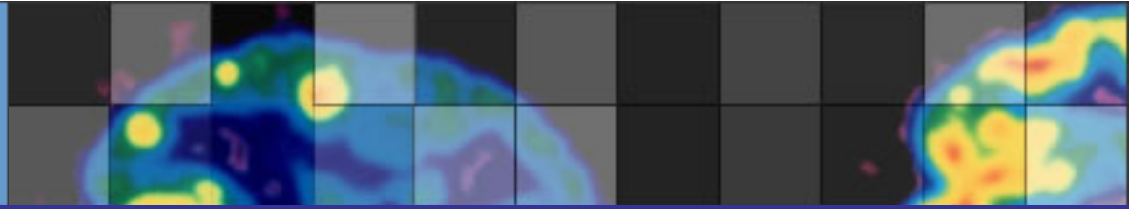


Sigma Xi Vision, Mission & Culture

- **Vision:** To be *the* global honor society of science and engineering.
- **Mission:** To enhance the health of the research enterprise, foster integrity in science and engineering, and promote the public's understanding of science for the purpose of improving the human condition.
- **Culture:** The Society is a **diverse chapter-based organization** dedicated to the **advancement of science and engineering through outstanding programs and services** delivered in a collegial and supportive environment.

Sigma Xi Activities

- *American Scientist* magazine
- Grants to students
- Distinguished Lectureships
- Prizes and awards
- Electronic newsletters
- Expertise Database
- Media Resource Services



Benefits All Members Can Receive:

- Access to *American Scientist Online*
- Electronic newsletters
- Full profile in Expertise Database
- E-Mail Alias
- Access to Sigma Xi Exchange (Internet posting service)



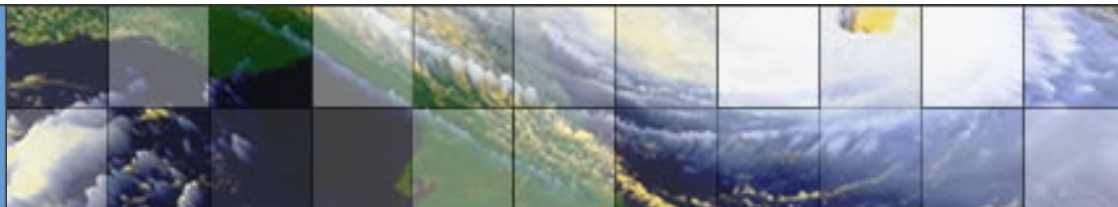
Sigma Xi Facts: Membership

Total Members 60,000

Members in USA 54,000

International Members
6,000

Countries Involved
133



Sigma Xi Facts: International Members

SYNTHESIS				
No. Countries	Region	Active	Inactive	Total
2	Canada and Mexico	1185	1218	2403
35	Europe	682	748	1430
21	Asia	396	683	1079
15	Middle East & North Africa	101	112	213
16	Central & South America	92	190	282
6	Oceania & the Pacific	175	143	318
11	Caribbean	16	28	44
27	Africa	30	59	89
133	TOTAL	2677	3181	5858



Sigma Xi Internationalization Efforts

- Important number International Members
- Great majority was initiated in USA
- Drive for Internationalization
- International Committee (1996)
- Canadian/International Constituency Group (1999)



Sigma Xi Facts: International Chapters

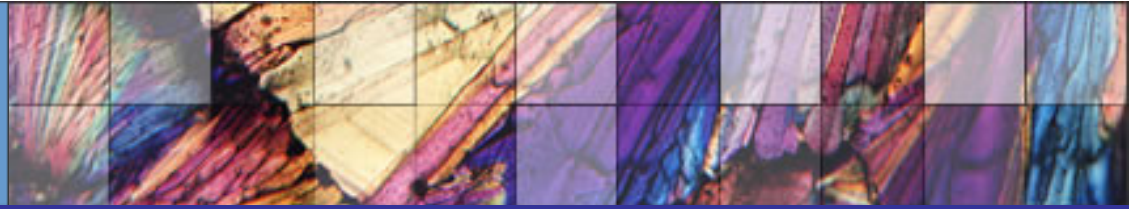
- ❖ Australia
 - ❖ Canada (9/1)
 - ❖ Czech Republic
 - ❖ Hungary
 - ❖ Lebanon
 - ❖ Mexico (3)
 - ❖ New Zealand
 - ❖ Switzerland
 - ❖ Thailand
 - ❖ Iberian Peninsula
- Active
 - Inactive



Sigma Xi Facts: International Partners

- ❖ Republic of Georgia
- ❖ Russia
- ❖ Romania





What does it mean to be International?

- create chapters & stick pins on a map
- having an international journal/magazine?
- having regional and international forums?
- promoting partnerships?
- commentary or advice on global S&E issues?
- nurturing the next generation of scientists?
- linking science with informed global public policy
- Or.....