

## 2024 Nominee for Council

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**Please briefly describe why you believe you are suitable to serve as a member of the Council. Consider the following within your response: What do you think should be the ICIS's top priorities over the next three to five years, and what challenges might come? How might the ICIS serve our membership better in your view? In what way has your background given you a diverse perspective?**

- Enhancing opportunities for international collaboration that includes LMICs.
- Providing support for long-term success of under-represented groups, raising awareness of opportunity bias as a barrier to progression.
- ICIS-supported meetings: ensuring that in-person opportunities to meet with speakers and other scientists are not restricted by cost/visas/care responsibilities/disability.
- My research interests as well as my upbringing has provided an international perspective.

**Please list your current and/or past participation in ICIS committees. Include committee membership, positions of leadership, speaking invitations, etc.**

I am currently on council (since Jan 2022) and am co-chair of the awards committee. I have attended several annual Cytokine meetings, sometimes as invited speaker. I will be a Keynote Speaker at the meeting in Seoul, October 2024.

**List any other relevant qualifications for office, including any non-ICIS volunteer other leadership activities. (Not a CV.)**

I am (or have recently been) a member of several international scientific advisory boards, in which many of the issues that face ICIS are also considered. I am currently on three fellowship-awarding panels including one for ethnic minorities.