

**Table 1**  
Some institutions.

ACRONYM	TITLE	OFFICER	INTERNET
CODATA	Committee on Data for Science and Technology	J.Rumble, NIST (pres.)	<a href="http://www.codata.org">http://www.codata.org</a>
GBIF	Global Biodiversity Information Facility	J.L. Edwards (Exec. Sec.), Univ. of Copenhagen, Denmark	<a href="http://www.gbif.org">http://www.gbif.org</a>
ICSU	Int.Council for Science	T. Rosswall (ex. dir.)	<a href="http://www.icsu.org">http://www.icsu.org</a>
ISCB	Int. Society for Computational Biology	P.E. Bourne (pres.)	<a href="http://www.iscb.org">http://www.iscb.org</a>
IUBG	Inter-Union Bioinformatics Group	J. Garnier, Paris; NIH (chair)	<a href="http://md.chem.rug.nl/~berends/IUBG/">http://md.chem.rug.nl/~berends/IUBG/</a>
IUBMB	Int. Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	B.F.C. Clark (pres.) J.H. Weil (secr.gen.)	<a href="http://www.iubmb.org">http://www.iubmb.org</a>
IUCr	Int. Union of Crystallography	H. Schenk (pres.) M.H. Dacombe (ex.secr.)	<a href="http://www.iucr.ac.uk">http://www.iucr.ac.uk</a>
IUPAB	Int. Union for Pure and Applied Biophysics	J. Garnier (pres.) F. Parak (secr.gen.)	<a href="http://www.iupab.org">http://www.iupab.org</a>
IUPAC	Int. Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry	P. Steyn (pres.) J.W. Jost (ex.dir.)	<a href="http://www.iupac.org">http://www.iupac.org</a>
IUPAP	Int. Union of Pure and Applied Physics	B. Richter (pres.) R. Turlay (secr.gen.)	<a href="http://www.iupap.org">http://www.iupap.org</a>
JCBN (with NC-IUBMB)	Joint Com. on Biological Nomenclature (with Nomenclature Committee of IUBMB)	R.Cammack (chair) S. Boyce (secr.)	<a href="http://www.iubmb.org/nomenclature">http://www.iubmb.org/nomenclature</a>
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation	Matsuura (dir. gen.)	<a href="http://www.unesco.org">http://www.unesco.org</a>
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization	K. Idris (dir. gen.)	<a href="http://www.wipo.int">http://www.wipo.int</a>