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Welcome to IVAN **The New International Varian-Agilent NMR Users Group!**

MR Resources is pleased to announce the formation of IVAN, a new international organization directed towards owners and users of NMR spectrometers from Varian, Inc. and Agilent Technologies, Inc.

As we all know, in October 2014 Agilent Technologies, Inc., owner of the former NMR division of Varian, Inc., exited the NMR business. As a result, during the two years since, MR Resources has greatly increased its service and support commitment to Varian-Agilent NMR owners and users, welcoming many new customers in the process. MR Resources is fully dedicated to helping support the more than 5500 Varian-Agilent NMR spectrometers in use worldwide.

To further our ongoing commitment to Varian-Agilent users, MR Resources is providing full and exclusive sponsorship for the new IVAN user group, whose purpose will be to facilitate on-going technical support for the International Varian-Agilent NMR community by fostering interactive information exchange and face-to-face meetings of users. MR Resources and IVAN are not affiliated with Agilent Technologies, Inc. or Varian, Inc. in any way.

Through the IVAN group, MR Resources will sponsor a series of meetings for Varian-Agilent users, regionally and in conjunction with NMR conferences around the world. These meetings will be exclusively for IVAN group members and free of charge. They will bring together owners, customers and users, along with MR Resources personnel and many highly committed Varian-Agilent experts. Indeed, the founding executive committee of IVAN, listed below, contains a who's-who of former employees of the Varian-Agilent NMR companies.

Further information about the IVAN group and a membership form can be found at the MR Resources website <http://www.mrr.com>.

Attend Our Founding Meetings, First in San Jose and then Asilomar!

The founding meeting of IVAN will take place in San Jose, California at the Fairmont Hotel on Friday October 28th and later it will be followed by a user meeting before the 2017 ENC in Asilomar. The agenda and registration information for the San Jose meeting can be found here and at the MR Resources website. The meeting will take place 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM with a catered "working" lunch. Registration will be open at 9:00 AM with coffee. The meeting will be followed by a "Happy Hour" at the Fairmont. We welcome users from around the world and expect to see many of you from the San Francisco Bay Area and the west coast. Our meeting room will accommodate up to 100 people.

Come and help us plan the future of IVAN ... International Varian-Agilent NMR!

Thanks for Your support!

Founding Executive Committee of IVAN: Michele Bodner, Tim Burrow, George Gray, Christine Hofstetter, Dan Iverson, Paul Keifer, Krish Krishnamurthy, Dave Rice, Dave Russell, Mike Strain, Shellie Hammond (MRR) and Jon Webb (Owner MRR)

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The preservation of the productivity of our older Varian-Agilent NMR systems depends on information-sharing and mutual training about issues of Service, Software and Applications. With this meeting we will discuss NMR developments post-Agilent and bring together experts of the former Varian-Agilent NMR companies with long-time users. The information presented and the special topics are all designed to generate discussion about the future of our organization and give ourselves the opportunity to socialize again in-person. We hope you can attend!

Agenda for the Founding San Jose IVAN Meeting

- 9:00 AM: Registration and Coffee at the Fairmont
- 10:00 AM: Welcome and Introduction of Jon Webb (Dave Rice)
- 10:10 AM: A Vision for the Future for Varian-Agilent NMR (Jon Webb, MR Resources)
- 10:45 AM: Announcing OpenVnmrJ¹ Software for the Varian-Agilent Community (Dan Iverson)
- 11:30 AM: Discussion Topic:
Moving Forward Together with Service and Applications² (chair: Michele Bodner)
- 12:00 PM: Lunch will be served during the discussion.
- 1:15 PM Operation/Applications Sessions³ (organizers: Krish Krishnamurthy and Dave Russell)
- 3:00-3:30 PM Conclusions and Planning for the Future
- 4:00 PM "Happy Hour" (Soda, Wine and Beer Catered)

¹OpenVnmrJ1.1A is an open-source successor to Agilent's VnmrJ4.2A, released by VOSSG, the VnmrJ Open-Source Steering Committee on 12-Sept-2016. VOSSG will continue development of OpenVnmrJ in association with the IVAN group.

²A discussion of how we users can enhance the longevity and productivity of our Varian-Agilent consoles, probes and magnets. Bring your questions and issues.

³We anticipate up to six special topics in 2 breakout sessions. Check the website <http://www.mrr.com> for potential topics.

Meeting Registration and Travel

The Fairmont is a luxury meeting hotel located on Market Street in downtown San Jose. Valet or self parking are available at the hotel itself and self parking is available in nearby city parking structures on 2nd Street (Near Camera 12 Cinema) or Park Avenue (across from the Tech Museum). The San Jose International Airport is about 4.5 miles from the Fairmont, served by taxis and Uber, providing 1-day round-trip connections to many west-coast cities as well as continental and international flights. Fairmont rooms should be available on a first-come-first-serve basis and there are many other hotel alternatives close by.

Register for the meeting at the MR Resources website <http://www.mrr.com>. Registration for the meeting requires membership in IVAN and both are free of charge. First fill out the membership form. After acceptance in IVAN the meeting registration form will become accessible. Our meeting room will accommodate up to 100 people. Please register as soon as possible, especially if coming from out of town. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!