

Annual Report for the Development and Structure Section, 2018
For the period of July 2017-July 2018

1. Cheadle Student Travel Awards of \$500 each were given to the following individuals to attend Botany 2018:
 - a. Farahnoz Khojayori, Virginia Commonwealth University, Advisor – Wenheng Zhang
 - b. Glen Morrison, University of California – Riverside, Advisor – Amy Litt
2. In keeping with the policy adopted at the business meeting at Botany 2014, D&S section Travel awards were increased to \$500. Three were given for students to attend Botany 2018:
 - a. Katzer, University of Kansas, Advisor – Lena Hileman
 - b. Cecilia Zumajo, New York Botanical Garden, Advisor – Barbara Ambrose
 - c. Ray Dustinm University of Connecticut, Advisor – Cynthia Jones
3. Student Presentation Awards at Botany 2017.
4. The program director (Verónica Di Stilio) reported that Botany 2018 will have a total of 24 posters and 33 contributed papers. Of these 18 posters and 19 papers are anatomy and morphology and 6 posters and 14 papers are EvoDevo. We sponsored two symposia:
 - a. ***Evolution, Ecology, Development, and Conservation of Carnivorous Plants – Part I***
 - b. [Trail Blazing Women as Botanical Artists in the 19th and 20th Century](#) symposium
5. The financial shape of the section is consistent with previous year, which is sound. Membership has increased to 243 current members this year. At the end of FY 2017, we had a sectional cash balance of \$12,260.91.
6. This is Verónica's third year as program director for the section and Ranessa Cooper has left her position. We will vote into these empty positions at the section meeting at Botany 2018.