



**ATCC Standards Development Organization  
Newsletter  
September, 2007**

***ATCC SDO.....is ANSI Accredited!***

**The ATCC SDO is now accredited as an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Standards Developing Organization (SDO):**

“The accreditation of the **American Type Culture Collection (ATCC)** under its own operating procedures for documenting consensus on proposed American National Standards has been approved, effective **September 25, 2007.**” *On behalf of ANSI’s Executive Standards Council*

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**SDO/CSP Update:**

**Recommendations for Standard Development:** The call for recommendations for standard development was extended to September 30, 2007. This call is for all members of the CSP to recommend specific standard development areas representing significant needs of the stakeholder community. Several excellent proposals have been submitted and they will be forwarded to the Steering Committee for review.

**Guidance Materials:** The following guidance documents are currently in development and will soon be available for use:

- Guidance for writing standards, including:
  - A standard template
  - Instructions for using the standard template
  - A sample standard
- Operating procedures for SDO workgroups

**Modifications to the ATCC SDO Policies and Procedures Manual:** Several changes have been made to the ATCC SDO Policies and Procedures Manual during the ANSI accreditation process, including changes to the voting/balloting procedures. We will email the revised manual to you for replacement in your handbook. The revised sections will be indicated except where the change was made for editorial reasons only.

**ATCC SDO Web site:** Plans are being formed for the development of a functional Web site to support all SDO activities and balloting.

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**Q & A:** None for August. Please forward questions that you might have concerning the SDO and/or the CSP that might be answered for the entire membership to [thuginin@atcc.org](mailto:thuginin@atcc.org).