



# 2022 Election

## American Society of Plant Biologists

### **Enid MacRobbie Corresponding Membership Award**

#### **Nicholas Smirnoff**

*University of Exeter, United Kingdom*

Nicholas (Nick) Smirnoff has been a full professor of plant biochemistry at the University of Exeter since 2006, and he served as the Director of Research for Exeter Biosciences from 2015-2021. Nick is best known for his seminal work on the ascorbate biosynthesis pathway, named the Smirnoff-Wheeler pathway in his honor; and he has made important contributions across multiple areas in

the fields of plant biochemistry and physiology. Nick has studied the function of reactive oxygen species and antioxidants in various plant processes. He excels in teaching plant metabolism and stress biology, and he has inspired numerous scientists to pursue careers in plant biology. Nick has served our community in many ways; and he is a passionate supporter of ASPB activities, most notably as a Monitoring Editor for *Plant Physiology* starting 2018, followed by his promotion to Associate Editor this year.