

PROGRAM

Sunday, June 11, 2023

17:00-21:00 Arrival and registration

18:00-20:00 - Welcome Reception – McCain Building (snacks, cash bar)

Monday, June 12, 2023 (McCain Auditorium)

8:45 Opening Remarks

9:00-10:15 Platform Session 1: Genomics and Gene Regulation 1 (Chair: Jamie Kramer)

1. 9:00-9:15 – Gil dos Santos
 - o FlyBase: A Database of Drosophila Genetic and Molecular Data
2. 9:15-9:30 – Anthony Percival-Smith
 - o The frequency and differential pleiotropy of phenotypic non-specificity in *Drosophila melanogaster*.
3. 9:30-9:45 – Nicholas Raun
 - o Trithorax supports post-mitotic neuron identity by establishing metabolic capacity for long term memory.
4. 9:45-10:00 – Deniz Top
 - o Distinct circadian transcription programs converge to regulate behaviour
5. 10:00-10:15 – Sonia Medina Giro
 - o Clinical interpretation of rare PRC2 human variants in *Drosophila*

10:15 -10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Platform Session 2: Neurobiology 1 (Chair: Sonia Medina Giro)

6. 10:45-11:00 – Paul Marcogliese
 - o Variant annotation, disease models, biological mechanisms, and drug testing in *Drosophila* for rare and common neurological disorders.
7. 11:00-11:15 – Tomoko Ohyama
 - o Comparative connectomics and escape behavior in larvae of closely related *Drosophila* species
8. 11:15-11:30 – Taryn Jakub
 - o Using *Drosophila* models to define the clinical and molecular spectrum of the KDM6B-related neurodevelopmental disorder.
9. 11:30-11:45 – Alexandria St. Louis Frequentin
 - o Negatively Regulates Nociception
10. 11:45-12:00 – Nicoletta Faraone
 - o A single micro-dose of psilocybin induces antidepressant-like effects in *Drosophila melanogaster*.

12:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:15 Platform Session 3: Neurobiology 2 (Chair: Steve Jean)

11. 14:00-14:15 – Jeffrey Dason
 - o Activity-dependent cholesterol redistribution is required for synaptic growth.
12. 14:15-14:30 – Claire Richter Gorey
 - o Examining the diverse effects of PI4Ks at the *Drosophila melanogaster* larval neuromuscular junction.
13. 14:30-14:45 – Seyedeh Leila Abtahi
 - o A novel function for Ly6 family of proteins in *Drosophila* Neuromuscular Junction
14. 14:45-15:00 – Vanessa Auld
 - o Dlg5 and Cadherins are key to peripheral glia integrity.
15. 15:00-15:15 – Teddy Erclik
 - o Concurrent temporal patterning of neural stem cells in the fly visual system

15:30-17:30 Poster Session 1 - snacks and cash bar

17:30 – Free evening and dinner on your own.

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 (McCain Auditorium)

9:00-10:15 Platform Session 4: Metabolism (Chair: Francesca Di Cara)

- 16. 9:00-9:15 30 – Kirst King-Jones
 - o Iron biology in *Drosophila*: Shedding light on the known unknowns
- 17. 9:15-9:30 – Puja Biswas
 - o High levels of insulin/insulin-like growth factor signaling pathway promote increased body fat in female *Drosophila*.
- 18. 9:30-9:45 – Stephanie Makdissi
 - o Myoinhibiting peptide precursor affects the diet-gut-brain axis and leads to neurodegeneration.
- 19. 9:45-10:00 – Marishia Agard
 - o Exploring the role of tachykinins on the *Drosophila melanogaster* Malpighian 'renal' tubules.
- 20. 10:00-10:15 – Florence Hunter-Manseau
 - o Mild nutritional and thermal stress improve longevity and mitochondrial functions of *Drosophila melanogaster*.

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Platform Session 5: Cell Biology Cytoskeleton (Chair: Lori Borgal)

- 21. 10:45-11:00 – Alison Boutet
 - o Arfgap1 regulates the endosomal sorting of guidance receptors to promote directed collective cell migration in vivo.
- 22. 11:00-11:15 – Rachel Andrews
 - o Altered collagen crosslinking attenuates cardiomyopathy in overgrown *Drosophila*
- 23. 11:15-11:30 – Jennifer Johnson
 - o Testing the mechanical function of Filamin in muscles
- 24. 11:30-11:45 – Ana Maria Carmo
 - o Cofilin promotes actomyosin turnover to drive rapid wound healing
- 25. 11:45-12:00 – Michelle Ly
 - o Integrin-based adhesions promote cell-cell junction remodelling and cytoskeletal rearrangements to drive embryonic wound healing

12:00-12:30 EDI Introduction to all (Tamara Franz-Odenaal)

12:30-14:00 Lunch

13:00 – 14:00 EDI Lunch Workshop (Tamara Franz-Odenaal)

14:00-15:45 **Poster Session II** – with coffee and snacks

15:45-17:15 **Platform Session 6: Cell Biology Organelles (Chair: Nicolas Pichaud)**

26. 15:45-16:00 – Guy Tanentzapf

- o Kinetics of blood cell differentiation during hematopoiesis revealed by quantitative long-term live imaging.

27. 16:00-16:15 – Andrew Simmonds

- o Pex13 and Pex14 as Class II lipid droplet regulatory proteins

28. 16:15-16:30 – Thomas Hurd

- o ATP-regulated degradation drives the selective elimination of deleterious mitochondrial DNA in the female germline.

29. 16:30-16:45 – Colin Miller

- o Neuronal triglyceride metabolism regulates sex differences in whole-body energy homeostasis.

30. 17:00-17:15 – Rihab Loudhaief

- o Defining metabolic pathways that fuel intestinal stem cell's homeostasis.

17:30- Free evening and dinner on your own.

Wednesday, June 14, 2023 (McCain Auditorium)

8:45-10:15 Platform Session 7: Cell Cycle (Chair: Nicanor González-Morales)

- 31. 9:00-9:15 – Virginie Emond-Fraser
 - o Identification of PP2A-Tws targets uncovers regulation of Otefin during nuclear envelope reassembly.
- 32. 9:15-9:30 – Lori Borgal
 - o Phospho-regulation of Asp during context-dependent spindle assembly.
- 33. 9:30-9:45 – Nam-Sung Moon
 - o E2F deregulation results in cytoplasmic DNA accumulation in endoreplicating tissues
- 34. 9:45-10:00 – Xinyue Wang
 - o Deciphering the roles and mechanisms of Ankle2 during mitosis in *Drosophila*
- 35. 10:00-10:15 – James Wakefield
 - o The where and when of mitotic microtubule nucleation

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:00 Platform Session 8: Cell Signaling (Chair: David Green)

- 36. 10:45-11:00 – Iyeh Mohammadi Champiri
 - o The role of FERM-domain protein Okapi in regulating follicle stem cells in *Drosophila* ovaries
- 37. 11:00-11:15 – Gabriela Molinari Roberto
 - o Regulation of Misshapen by Tao Kinase and Rap2I in Border Cell Migration
- 38. 11:15-11:30 – Yizhu Mu
 - o Peroxisome-metabolism in the regulation of IMD pathway
- 39. 11:30-11:45 – Gamze Akarsu
 - o Characterizing Robinow Syndrome DVL1 mutations in *Drosophila melanogaster*
- 40. 11:45-12:00 – Raymond Hawkins
 - o Automated segmentation reveals gap junction signalling is required for embryonic wound healing.

12:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30 Platform Session 9: Genomics and Gene Regulation 2 (Chair: Katheryn Rothenberg)

- 41. 14:00-14:15 – Laura Nilson
 - o Integration of multiple signaling cues defines EGFR signaling output in the follicular epithelium.
- 42. 14:15-14:30 – Julie Brill

- o Eukaryotic initiation factor 4E-5 is essential for spermiogenesis in *Drosophila melanogaster*.
- 43. 14:30-14:45 – Spencer Jones
 - o The transcription factor hierarchy activated during long-term memory formation downstream of CREB
- 44. 14:45-15:00 – Cooper Brabrook
 - o Phenotypic non-specificity of signal transduction in *Drosophila melanogaster*
- 45. 15:00-15:15 – Katie Pelletier
 - o Changes to cell size in the *Drosophila melanogaster* wing are important for adaptation to high altitude environments.
- 46. 15:15-15:30 – Sarah Hughes
 - o A chromatin remodelling SWI/SNF subunit Snr1 regulates neural stem cell determination and differentiation

15:15-15:30 Closing remarks

15:30-16:30 PI meeting

16:30-18:30 – free time

18:30-19:00 – Arrive at dock to board the Harbour Queen

19:00-21:00 Final Banquet Dinner (prizes) and Cruise aboard the Harbour Queen