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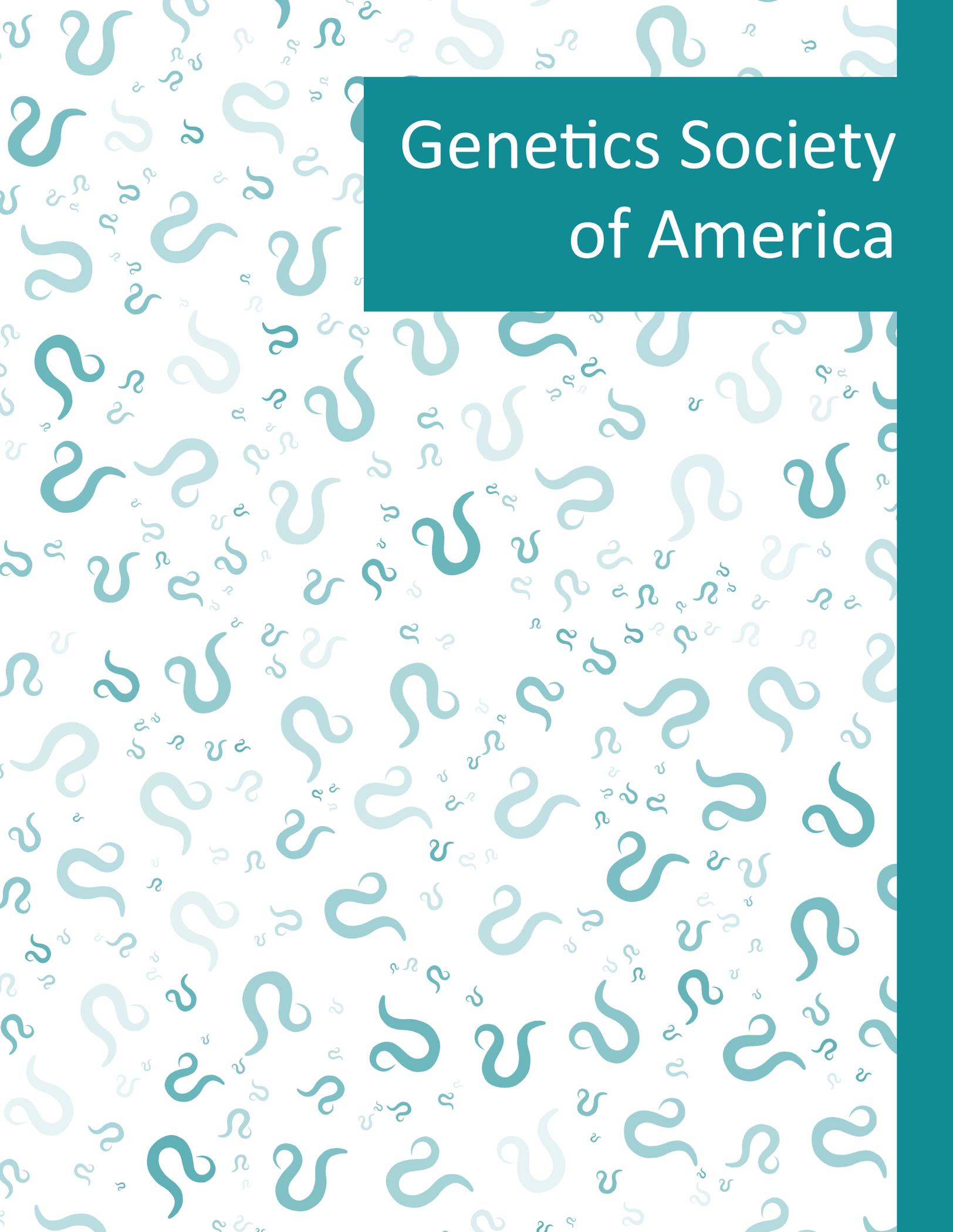
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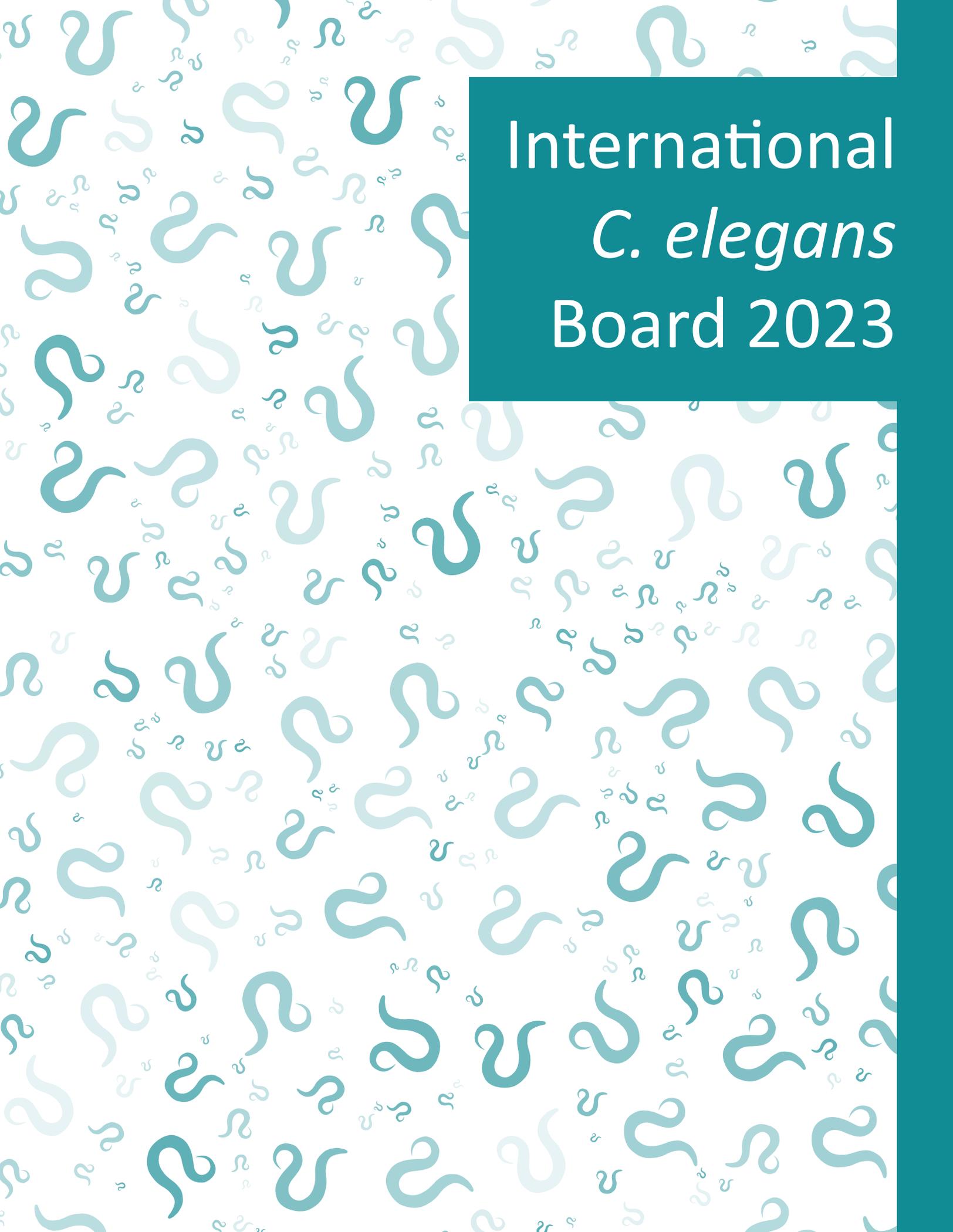
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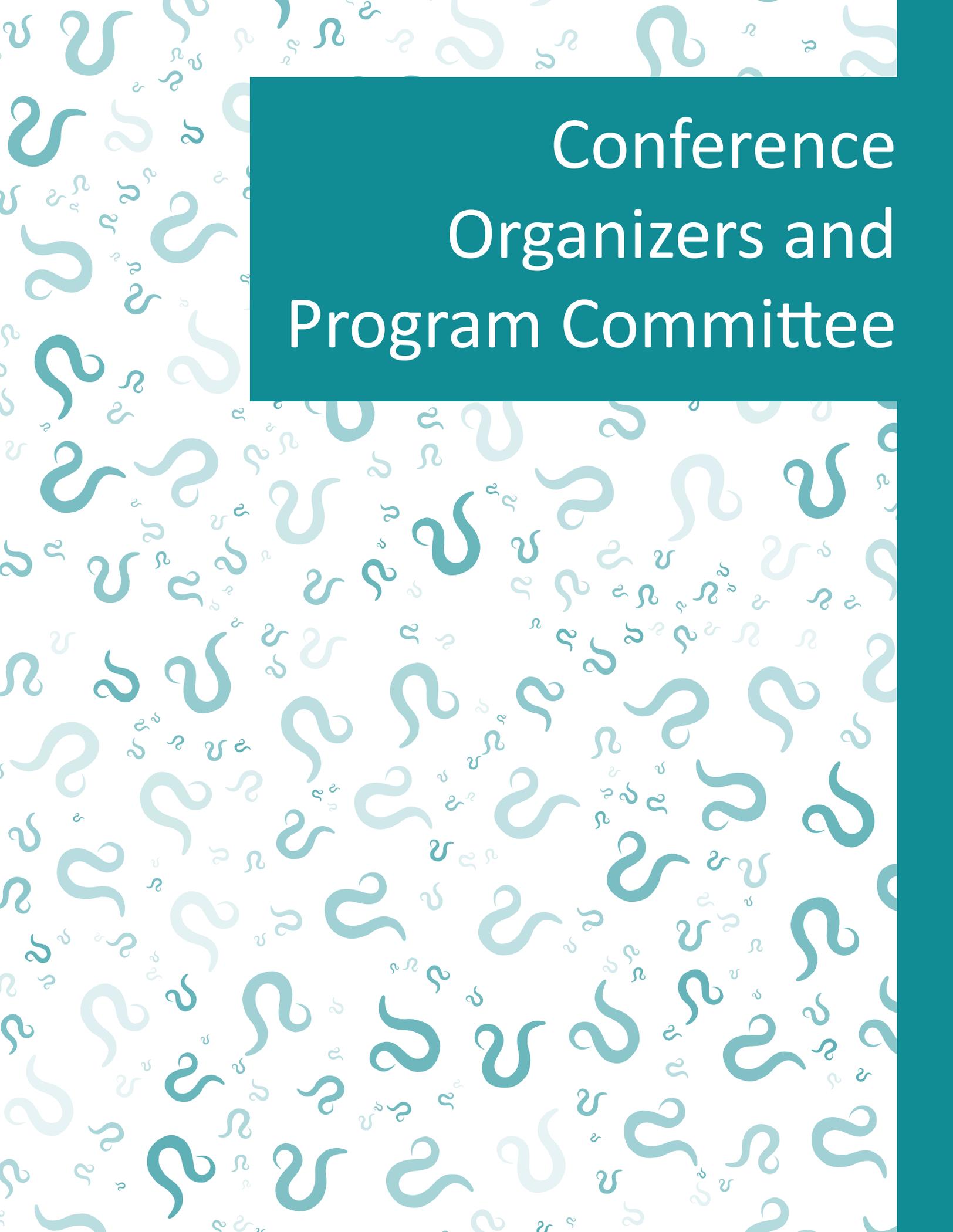
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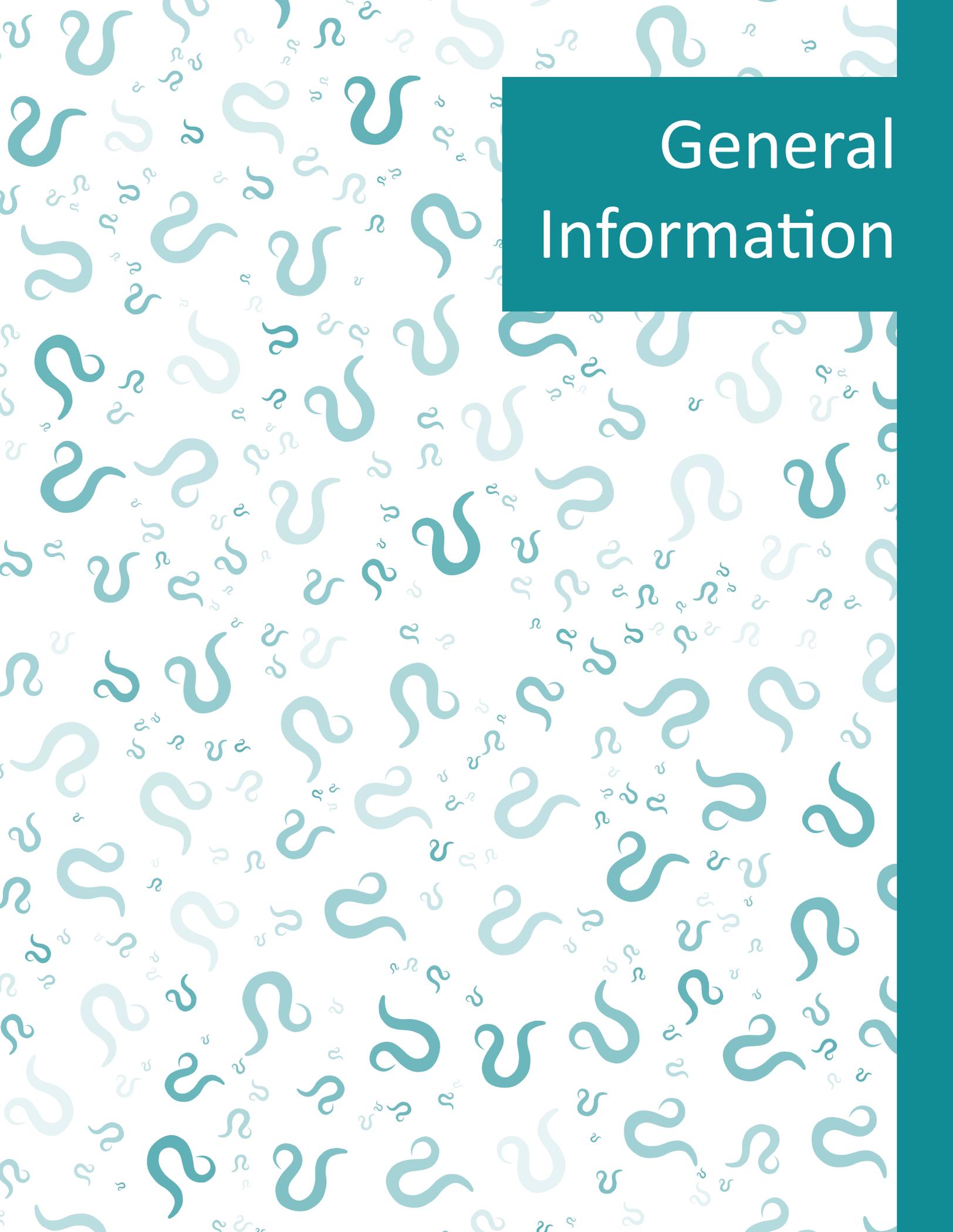
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Registration Desk and Badges

If you are attending in person, you received your registration badge in advance via email and should have printed it out. Badges will not be printed onsite. You can pick up your badge holder and lanyard at the conference registration desk located in the Forth Room in the Armadillo Building. For admission to the sessions, posters, exhibits, and reception, you must have your official conference badge. The information contained in the QR Code on your badge is your name, email, and institution. Exhibitors may ask your permission to scan your badge.

Registration Desk Schedule

Saturday, June 24	5:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 25	7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Monday, June 26	8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 27	8:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

You can download the Program Book and Abstract Book on the conference website or access all the information in the Conference App. Certificates of Attendance and Participation are available online.

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All speakers must come to the Speaker Ready Room in Etime Meeting Room, located on the ground level of the SEC, 24 hours before the start of your session to upload and review your presentation and become familiar with the equipment that will be used in the session room. You will not be able to use your own computer or upload your presentation in the session room. The speaker ready room will be open at the following times:

Saturday, June 24	4:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 25	7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Monday, June 26	7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 27	7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 28	7:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

The day of your presentation, arrive 30 minutes before the start of your session (not your talk) and let the session chair know that you are there.

Poster Presentations

All poster authors have been invited to upload a pdf and audio overview of their poster. The electronic files will be available through the App.

To view a poster online, look for the “Virtual Poster” link near the bottom of each poster entry in the App. Please keep personal items with you at all times. GSA cannot be responsible for items left in the hall including but not limited to poster tubes, purses, backpacks, etc. All in-person posters will be located in Exhibit Hall 5 located on the ground level in the Scottish Event Campus (SEC). You must be wearing your official meeting badge to enter the exhibit and poster area. Poster presenters who are attending the conference in person have been assigned a presentation time according to the schedule below.

When you view poster materials during the conference, whether in person or via the Conference App, remember that posters are typically works in progress. Do not cite or reproduce any part of posters without the presenter’s permission.

Poster Session Schedule

<p>Saturday, June 24</p>	<p>The virtual posters will not have a live poster presentation. View all the virtual posters while traveling to the meeting and leave comments for the authors in the App. Posters will be available until July 19.</p>	
<p>Sunday, June 25</p>	<p>All A poster authors will present. Posters can be displayed beginning at 11:30 a.m.</p>	
	<p>7:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Even-numbered A posters</p>
	<p>8:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Odd-numbered A posters</p>
	<p>9:30 p.m.–10:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Open Viewing</p>
	<p>10:30 p.m.</p>	<p>A posters must be removed</p>
<p>Monday, June 26</p>	<p>All B poster authors will present. Posters can be displayed beginning at 11:30 a.m.</p>	
	<p>7:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Even-numbered B posters</p>
	<p>8:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Odd-numbered B posters</p>
	<p>9:30 p.m.–10:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Open Viewing</p>
	<p>10:30 p.m.</p>	<p>B posters must be removed</p>
<p>Tuesday, June 27</p>	<p>All C poster authors will present. Posters can be displayed beginning at 11:30 a.m.</p>	
	<p>1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Even-numbered C posters</p>
	<p>2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Odd-numbered C posters</p>
	<p>3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Open viewing</p>
	<p>4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>C Posters must be removed</p>

Viewing Sessions Online

Remote attendees can view sessions via the Online Planner: In-person attendees also have access to the live stream sessions using their log in information.

Plenary and Concurrent Sessions—Registrants will access live sessions through the App. Five minutes before a session starts, log in using your registration badge ID number and last name. Tap the “Join Webinar” button on the session. The Join Webinar button will be visible five minutes before the start of the session. A recording of each session will be available in the session listings on the App within 24 hours after the session ends. The recordings will be available until July 19.

Poster Sessions—PDFs and audio overviews of all of the posters will be available via the App from June 23 through July 19.

Workshops held during June 24–28 are not being live streamed.

Contacting Presenters

Oral Sessions: In each session, before the listing of speakers, use the “Contact the speaker(s) for this session” field to send a question to the speakers via email. If multiple speakers are in the session, all of them will receive your email. You can also leave a comment in the “Join the Discussion” field at the bottom of the session listing, which all attendees can see, or direct message them. To Direct Message, go to the attendee tab, click on the name and then tap on the message icon right above their name.

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To search for specific oral and poster presenters, please use the search function in the Conference App.

Community Postings

Individuals and institutions offering or seeking employment and organizers of meetings may post notices and resumes on the “Community Notices” bulletin board in the Poster Sessions in Exhibit Hall 5.

Meals

Meals are not included in the conference registration fee. If you purchased the optional daily lunch package or Conference Dinner on Tuesday night, tickets will be part of your badge that you print in advance. Be prepared to present the ticket to the server for each meal. Lunch will be served in Exhibit Hall 5.

The Conference Dinner will be held at Merchant Square. Walking and public transportation maps, and instructions are available in the Conference App. Upon arriving at Merchant Square you will redeem the ticket attached to your badge for a ticket that will enable you to get drinks and your main course.

For those that did not purchase a lunch plan or the conference dinner, there are many dining options within walking distance of the SEC.

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- Sustained disruption of scientific sessions or other events
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- Real or implied threat of physical harm
- Real or implied threat of professional or financial damage or harm
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- Photographing slides of oral presentations and posters without permission
- Recording of scientific and other sessions without permission

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GSA is committed to promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion to create greater opportunity for any individual to fulfill their scientific potential, irrespective of their background, gender, or circumstances. This diversity leads to innovation by attracting the widest possible talent to the community and fostering a greater diversity of ideas, approaches, and perspectives. The Organizing Committee aims to select speakers and session chairs that represent the breadth and diversity of the discipline and conference participants. GSA especially encourages the Committee to select excellent speakers from [t](#). For more on GSA's Vision for Inclusive Conferences, please visit our [website](#).

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Schedule of Events

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.	NSF101- Demystifying and personalizing the National Science Foundation	Online
5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.	Careers in Academia	Online
7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.	Virtual Networking	Online

Thursday, June 22, 2023

1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m.	Career Exploration Panel	Online
6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.	Multilingual Networking	Online

Saturday, June 24, 2023

11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.	GSA Conference Success Tips and Professional Development Opportunities	Dochart Meeting Room
2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.	6th Parasitic Nematodes: Bridging the Divide Workshop	Carron Meeting Room
2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.	Teaching Workshop	Dochart Meeting Room
4:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.	Speaker Ready Room	Etive Meeting Room
5:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.	Registration	Forth Meeting Room
6:45 p.m.—9:00 p.m.	Welcome and Plenary Session 1 Sponsored by Disease Models and Mechanisms	Clyde Auditorium

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9:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.	Civic Reception hosted by The Rt Hon Lord Provost of Glasgow	Glasgow Science Centre
Sunday, June 25, 2023		
7:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Registration	Forth Meeting Room
7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.	Speaker Ready Room	Etive Meeting Room
8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.	Concurrent Session I	
	Cytoskeleton, mitosis, meiosis	Alsh Meeting Room
	RNAi, small RNA, and epigenetics	Clyde Auditorium
	Circuits, computation, & techniques	Lomond Auditorium
	Cellular and organismal growth, morphogenesis and signaling	Boisdale Meeting Room
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Lunch for pre-purchased ticket package	Exhibit Hall 5
11:45 a.m.—12:45 p.m.	GSA Journals Editors Lunch (invitation only)	Dochart Meeting Room
1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m.	Workshops I	
	Live Metabolism Imaging Strategies in <i>C. elegans</i>	Lomond Auditorium
	So you want to record whole-brain activity...	Boisdale Meeting Room
	Analyze RNA sequencing data without writing a single line of code: a hands-on workshop with RNAlysis	Clyde Auditorium
	WormBase and Alliance of Genome Resources, 2023: Data, tools and cross-species comparisons	Alsh Meeting Room
3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.	Plenary Session 2	Clyde Auditorium
6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.	Dinner (on own)	
7:30 p.m.—10:30 p.m.	Poster Session A/Exhibits/Art Show	Exhibit Hall 5

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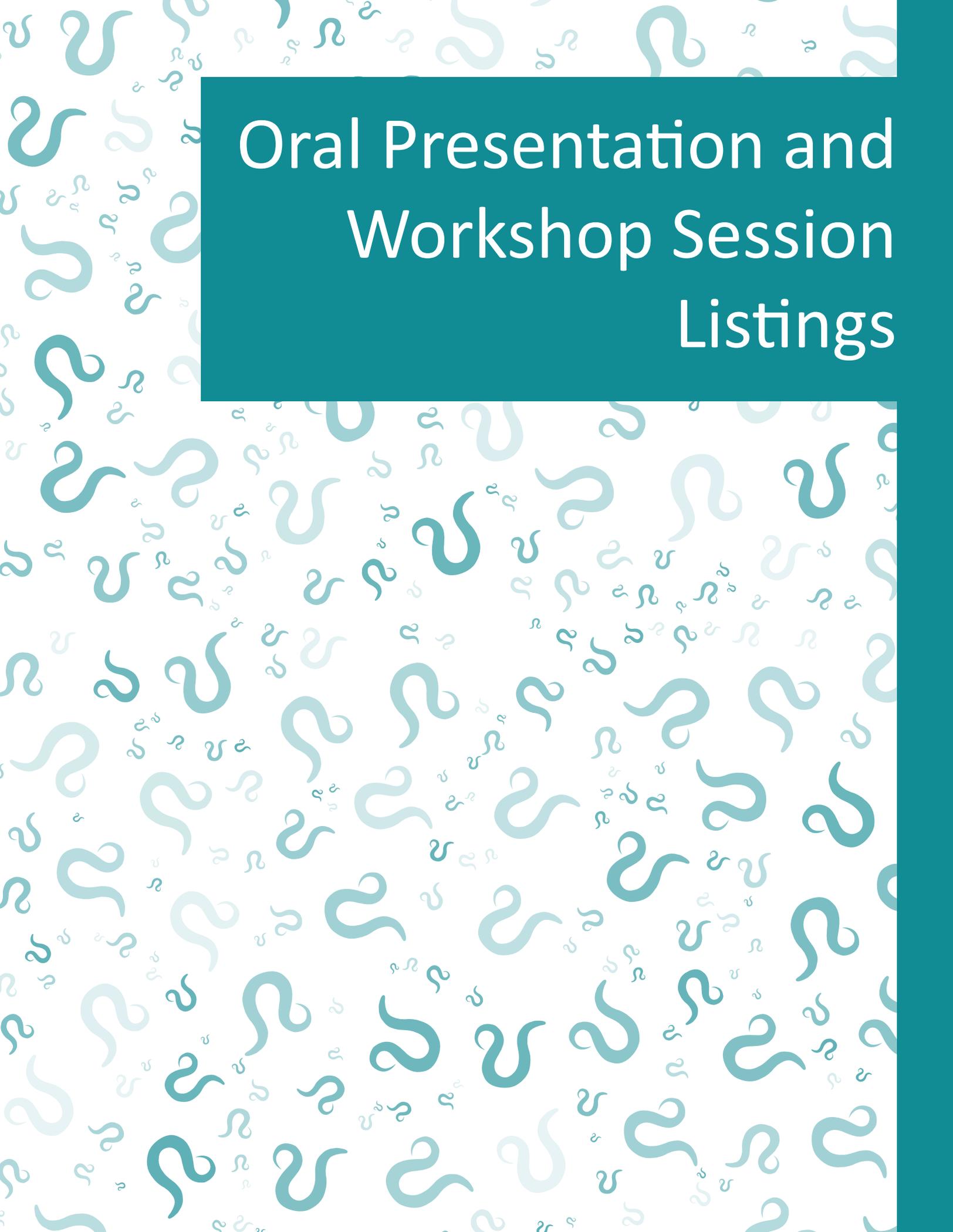
9:30 p.m.—10:30 p.m.	Networking Hotspots	Exhibit Hall 5
Monday, June 26, 2023		
7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.	Speaker Ready Room	Etive Meeting Room
8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Registration	Forth Meeting Room
8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.	Concurrent Session II	
	Metabolism, pathogenesis and new technologies	Boisdale Meeting Room
	Ecology and evolution of hosts and microbes	Alsh Meeting Room
	Gene regulation, genomics, and emerging genetic technologies	Clyde Auditorium
	Sleep, stress, and microbiomes	Lomond Auditorium
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Lunch for pre-purchased ticket package	Exhibit Hall 5
1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m.	Workshops II	
	Beyond EM: Optical tools to visualize ultrastructure	Lomond Auditorium
	So you have whole-brain traces, now what?	Boisdale Meeting Room
	Spotlight on the nuclear envelope: insights from the worm	Alsh Meeting Room
	Expanding the worm model repertoire	Clyde Auditorium
3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.	Plenary Session 3 and Keynote Address	Clyde Auditorium
6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.	Dinner (on own)	
7:30 p.m.—10:30 p.m.	Poster Session B/Exhibits/Art Show	Exhibit Hall 5

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9:30 p.m.—10:30 p.m.	Networking Hotspots	Exhibit Hall 5
Tuesday, June 27, 2023		
7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.	Speaker Ready Room	Etive Meeting Room
8:15 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Registration	Forth Meeting Room
8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions III	
	Developmental regulation of gene expression and cell division	Clyde Auditorium
	Intracellular trafficking, organelles, cell polarity	Alsh Meeting Room
	Aging and stress	Boisdale Meeting Room
	Neuronal cell biology, degeneration, & behavior	Lomond Auditorium
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Lunch for pre-purchased ticket package	Exhibit Hall 5
1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.	Poster Session C/Exhibits/Art Show	Exhibit Hall 5
3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.	Networking Hotspots	Exhibit Hall 5
4:15 p.m.—5:45 p.m.	Workshops III	
	Advances in volumetric EM in <i>C. elegans</i>	Lomond Auditorium
	<i>C. elegans</i> as a platform for whole animal synthetic biology	Clyde Auditorium
	The way of the microbes: tools and resources for microbiome research	Boisdale Meeting Room
	GSA Publishing Workshop	Dochart Meeting Room

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7:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.	Conference Dinner (optional, pre-purchased ticket) Sponsored by Magnitude Biosciences	Merchant Square
Wednesday, June 28, 2023		
7:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.	Speaker Ready Room	Etive Meeting Room
8:45 a.m.—9:15 a.m.	Worm Art Show Awards and GSA Poster Prizes	
9:15 a.m.—11:30 a.m.	Plenary Session 4	Clyde Auditorium



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Saturday, June 24, 2023

6:45 p.m.–9:00 p.m.
Clyde Auditorium

Welcome and Plenary Session 1

Sponsored by *Disease Models and Mechanisms*

Session Chairs

*Judith Yanowitz University of Pittsburgh/MWRI); and
Shay Stern Technion*

6:45 p.m. Welcome from the RT. Hon. Lord Provost of
Glasgow

6:50 p.m. GSA welcome **Barbara Conradt** and **Piali
Sengupta**

6:55 p.m. GSA Journals welcome **Howard Lipshitz**

7:00 p.m. Opening remarks from Organizers **Miriam
Goodman** and **Sander van den Heuvel**

7:05 p.m. Exploring how the genome directs
development. **Julie Ahringer** University of Cambridge

1 7:35 p.m. Deciphering mechanisms of centriole
elimination during oogenesis **Alexander Woglar** EPFL

2 7:47 p.m. Determining the mechanism of Kinesin-1
dependent translocation of the meiotic spindle to the
cortex **Alma Martinez Peraza** University of California,
Davis - Davis, CA

3 7:59 p.m. Repurposing the Chromosome-
Microtubule Coupling Machinery as a “Tuner” of Actin
for Dendritic Branching. **Dhanya Cheerambathur**
University of Edinburgh

4 8:11 p.m. Endocytosis in the axon initial segment
maintains neuronal polarity **Kelsie Eichel** Stanford
University

5 8:23 p.m. A brain-to-gonad-to-embryo adrenergic
signaling relay controls intergenerational transfer of
temporal learning ability **Eugene L.Q. Lee** HHMI, Dept.
Biology, MIT

6 8:35 p.m. Nematode extracellular protein
interactome expands connections between signaling
receptors and ligands **Viola Nawrocka** The University
of Chicago

7 8:47 p.m. Caenorhabditis Genetics Center **Aric Daul**
Univ of Minnesota

8 8:53 p.m. Critical update on WormBase **Paul
Sternberg** California Institute of Technology

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Sunday, June 25, 2023

8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
Boisdale Meeting Room

Cellular and organismal growth, morphogenesis and signaling

Session Chairs

*Patrick Narbonne Université du Québec Trois-Rivières;
and Suzan Ruijtenberg Utrecht University*

9 8:30 a.m. Coupling of growth rate and developmental tempo reduces body size heterogeneity in *C. elegans* **Benjamin Towbin** University of Bern

10 8:42 a.m. Innexins and Enac channels coordinate muscle activity in embryos to stimulate body elongation **Flora Illense** Sorbonne Université, IBPS, CNRS UMR7622

11 8:54 a.m. The *C. elegans* “hibernation” **Yanwu Guo** Department of Biosciences, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, University of Oslo

12 9:06 a.m. How does starvation promote cellular plasticity during Y-to-PDA transdifferentiation? **Julien Lambert** IGBMC

13 9:18 a.m. Pulling or Pushing? Revisiting the mechanics of *C. elegans* gonad morphogenesis **Priti Agarwal** Tel Aviv University

14 9:30 a.m. EXC-4 CLICs into signaling: defining the conserved function of chloride intracellular channels in Gα-Rho/Rac signaling **Daniel Shaye** University of Illinois at Chicago - College of Medicine

15 9:42 a.m. *C. elegans* SMOC-1 interacts with both BMP and glypican to regulate BMP signaling **Jun Liu** Cornell University

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

16 10:18 a.m. AMPK regulates a miRNA-based signal that instructs germ cell quiescence through the release of neuronal extracellular vesicles **Chris Wong** McGill University

17 10:30 a.m. Distinct heparan sulfate modification patterns control proliferation and differentiation of germline stem cells in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Andrea Carranza** Biomedicina Molecular, Celular y Genómica, Fundación para la Investigación Sanitaria La Fe de Valencia

18 10:42 a.m. DAF-18 prevents oocyte wastage in spermless hermaphrodites through activating calcium signaling and contractility in the spermatheca neck **Jichao Deng** Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières

19 10:54 a.m. A sensory cilium mediates specific neuron-glia attachment **Leland Wexler** Boston Childrens Hospital

20 11:06 a.m. Loss of sensory dendrite cilia is detected by surrounding glia via neuron/glia protein pair DGS-1/ FIG-1 **Katherine Varandas** The Rockefeller University

21 11:18 a.m. Apoptotic trigger *egl-1* regulates mitochondria dynamics to promote exophers to maintain neuronal health and function **Zheng Wu** The University of Texas at Austin

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8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Alsh Meeting Room

Cytoskeleton, mitosis, meiosis

Session Chairs

*Kenji Sugioka University of British Columbia, Canada;
and Anne-Cécile Reymann IGBMC, France*

35 8:30 a.m. The cortical microtubule regulator EFA-6 forms spatially restricted condensates dependent on its intrinsically disordered region and interactions with tubulins **Anjali Sandhu** University of California

36 8:42 a.m. A new methyl-mark regulating neuronal function “written” on microtubules by the histone methyltransferase NSD3/MES-4 **Edward Pietryk** Baylor College of Medicine

37 8:54 a.m. LIN-5 (NuMA) regulates cytokinesis furrow formation independent of its role in spindle positioning **Kuheli Adhikary** Indian Institute of Science

38 9:06 a.m. Force-generation in the cytokinetic ring aligns the AB cell division with egg shell geometry **Teije Middelkoop** Institute of Molecular Genetics of the Czech Academy of Sciences

39 9:18 a.m. Microtubule force generators govern spindle orientation in mitotic *C. elegans* germ cells **Reda M. Zellag** Université de Montréal

40 9:30 a.m. Phosphorylation of ZYG-1 at Multi-Sites Regulates ZYG-1 Stability and Centrosome Number **Mi Hye Song** Oakland University

41 9:42 a.m. PCMD-1 bridges the centrioles and the PCM scaffold **Tamara Mikeladze-Dvali** Biozentrum der LMU

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

42 10:18 a.m. The interkinesis envelope is a novel organelle that covers chromosomes in *C. elegans* oocytes **Layla El Mossadeq** Université de Paris Cité, CNRS, Institut Jacques Monod, F-75013 Paris, France

43 10:30 a.m. Sexually dimorphic regulation of meiotic recombination by the *C. elegans* synaptonemal complex proteins **Cori Cahoon** University of Oregon

44 10:42 a.m. The C-terminus of SYP-4 regulates crossover formation in *C. elegans* meiosis **Simone Köhler** EMBL

45 10:54 a.m. PLK-1/Polo-like kinase is required to protect apicobasal polarity during mitosis in intestinal epithelia **Maria Sallee** Stanford University

46 11:06 a.m. Intermediate filament network perturbation in the *C. elegans* intestine causes systemic dysfunctions **Florian Geisler** Institute of Molecular and Cellular Anatomy, RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany

47 11:18 a.m. More than a loading control: actin form and function during aging. **Ryo Higuchi-Sanabria** University of Southern California

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Clyde Auditorium

RNAi, small RNA, and epigenetics

Session Chairs

Teresa Lee University of Massachusetts Lowell, United States; and Marco Mangone Arizona State University

48 8:30 a.m. AMPK determines small RNA pathway prevalence though Dicer reallocation to enhance microRNA synthesis and mediate soma-to-germ line communication **Elena Jurczak** McGill University

49 8:42 a.m. The role of chromatin factors in small-RNA-mediated, germline gene expression in *C. elegans* **Mindy Clark** Johns Hopkins University

50 8:54 a.m. Genetic conflict and piRNAs drive the evolution of parent-of-origin gene expression **Alejandro Burga** IMBA

51 9:06 a.m. Genetic interaction screens reveal functional relationships between constitutive heterochromatin, the nucleolus, and the integrated stress response **Roopali Pradhan** The Gurdon Institute, University of Cambridge

52 9:18 a.m. Histone H2A mono-ubiquitylation functions independently of Histone H3K27-trimethylation to regulate embryonic enhancers **Kailynn MacGillivray** University of Toronto

53 9:30 a.m. E3 ubiquitin ligase ZSWIM8/EBAX-1 regulates microRNAs in a seed-dependent manner **Acadia Grimme** National Institutes of Health

54 9:42 a.m. Lipid kinase PPK-1/PIP5K1A regulates microRNA biogenesis through interacting with nuclear export protein XPO-1/XPO5 **Chun Li** BIDMC/Harvard Medical School

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

55 10:18 a.m. tRNA-fragments in sperm regulate post-fertilization embryonic gene expression and offspring phenotypes **Colin Conine** University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

56 10:30 a.m. N-terminal processing of Argonaute proteins affects epigenetic inheritance **Ida Isolehto** Institute of Molecular Biology

57 10:42 a.m. Nucleus-Independent Transgenerational RNAi inheritance in *C. elegans* **Itai Rieger** Tel Aviv University

58 10:54 a.m. Unbiased forward genetics reveals novel mechanisms of transgenerational inheritance **Shiela Pearl Quiobe** Max Planck Institute for Biology

59 11:06 a.m. P bodies coat germ granules to promote transgenerational gene silencing in *C. elegans* **Donglei Zhang** Huazhong University of Science and Technology

60 11:18 a.m. Analysis of WAGO-1(Y613E) reveals specialization of GLH paralogs for promoting Argonaute loading and localization within nuage **Humberto Ochoa** University of Massachusetts Medical

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Lomond Auditorium

Circuits, computation, & techniques

Session Chairs
Monika Scholz Max Planck Institute for Neurobiology of Behavior and Vivek Venkatachalam Northeastern University, USA

22 8:30 a.m. Integration of spatially opposing cues by a single interneuron guides decision making in *C. elegans* **Asaf Gat** Weizmann institute of science

23 8:42 a.m. Resolving sensorimotor integration mechanisms of the RIA interneuron using a custom built microscope for calcium imaging in freely moving *C. elegans* (WormSpy) **Sebastian Wittekindt** McGill

24 8:54 a.m. Coordination of head and body movement by electrically coupled interneurons AVG and RIF promotes roaming behavior **Tosif Ahamed** Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute

25 9:06 a.m. A command neuron in *C. elegans* orchestrates multiple motor outputs through parallel modes of transmission **Yung-Chi Huang** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

26 9:18 a.m. Using *C. elegans* to identify the GPCR targets of valproic acid, an anticonvulsant and mood-stabilizing drug **Lucero Rogel-Hernandez** Stanford University

27 9:30 a.m. An inter-tissue feedback signal that couples muscle activity to glutamate receptor trafficking in distal upstream interneurons **Bethany Rennich** Tufts Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

28 9:42 a.m. Conflict during learning reconfigures the neural representation of positive valence and approach behaviour **Laura Molina-Garcia** University College London

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

29 10:18 a.m. Distributed encoding of motor commands mediates response to environmental confinement and escape from predators **Itamar Lev** University of Vienna

30 10:30 a.m. A Data Modelling Framework for Functional Annotation of the *Caenorhabditis elegans* Connectome **Sharan Prakash** California Institute of Technology

31 10:42 a.m. A genetic toolkit for measuring functional connectome in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Anuj Sharma** Princeton University

32 10:54 a.m.

Neural signal propagation atlas of *C. elegans* reveals that extrasynaptic signaling contributes to brain dynamics **Sophie Dvali** Princeton University

33 11:06 a.m. Influenceability and predictability of *C. elegans* action selection through closed-loop interrogation **Raymond Dunn** University of California, San Francisco

34 11:18 a.m. Towards routine reconstruction of *C. elegans* connectomes, cell states, and cell types, through optimized expansion microscopy **Yangning Lu** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.
Clyde Auditorium

Analyze RNA sequencing data without writing a single line of code: a hands-on workshop with RNAlysis

RNA sequencing is a widely used investigative tool for biologists, allowing researchers to understand transcriptional states and changes under different conditions, tissues, or developmental stages. This is especially relevant to nematode researchers, owing to extensive genomic annotations, gene knock-down/knock-out systems, and curated sequencing datasets available. RNA sequencing data analysis typically requires researchers to possess three different skillsets: 1) an understanding of biology is needed to design the experiment and interpret the data correctly; 2) familiarity with analysis methods, statistics, and common pitfalls is necessary to obtain reliable and meaningful results; 3) the ability to read and write computer code is often required to carry out the analysis. To address the last challenge, we have developed the free and open-source software “RNAlysis”, which allows researchers to analyze RNA sequencing data from start to finish without writing a single line of code. At the same time, RNAlysis offers advanced analysis methods that were developed especially for analyzing RNA sequencing data, such as advanced clustering methods specially suited for time-series gene expression data, or RNA sequencing data with biological replicates. The goal of this workshop is to introduce the *C. elegans* community to this tool and provide an opportunity for researchers to learn about RNA sequencing analysis methods – in particular, expanding their familiarity with transcriptomics analysis methods, and improve their proficiency in designing RNA sequencing experiments.

Agenda

1:00 p.m. Guy Teichman, Tel Aviv University, design your sequencing experiment and avoid common pitfalls

1:30 p.m. Hila Gingold, Tel Aviv University, downstream analysis of gene expression data

1:45 p.m. Guy Teichman, Tel Aviv University, a hands-on demo of RNA-seq analysis

2:15 p.m. Discussion and questions

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1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.
Lomond Auditorium

Live Metabolism Imaging Strategies in *C. elegans*

Metabolism is spatially and temporally compartmentalized across different cellular compartments, cell types, stages, and conditions. The complex regulation of metabolism is not well understood in any animal. Imaging metabolic processes in intact individual cells using optical sensors in *C. elegans* has the potential to reveal core mechanisms underlying the systemic control of metabolism. Designing and implementing genetically-encoded optical sensors for metabolites is, however, challenging. It is difficult to design specific and robust optical sensors with a high signal-to-noise ratio and tools established in other systems often are difficult to implement in *C. elegans*. On the other hand, there has been impressive recent progress in designing and implementing new tools to image, for example, products of glycolysis or NADPH. Also, optical methods for specific quantification such as FLIM have been applied successfully to visualize and quantify biochemical reactions in cells. This workshop aims at informing about latest developments in optical sensors, their implementation in *C. elegans*, and their imaging using state-of-the-art methods. We will be discussing recent developments, but also pitfalls and open questions. In our open discussion we will define key metabolites that have been refractory to imaging, conceive potential solutions for these metabolites, and forge collaborations to establish efficient strategies for imaging these factors. This workshop will thus facilitate community efforts in establishing and sharing tools for imaging metabolism in *C. elegans* to ultimately enable live imaging of key biochemical reaction in every cell with spatiotemporal resolution in our favorite system.

Agenda

1:00 p.m. Henrik Bringmann, TU Dresden, Live Metabolism Imaging Strategies in *C. elegans*

1:10 p.m. Gill Pollmeier and Aaron Wolfe, TU Dresden and Yale University, Metabolic Sensors 101 – Pitfalls and Opportunities

1:20 p.m. Bryndon Oleson, University of Michigan, Current strategies for the detection of ROS in *C. elegans*.

1:30 p.m. Sudarson Baskaran, FLI Jena, Application of FLIM for Imaging Biochemistry in *C. elegans* cells

1:40 p.m. Q&A

1:50 pm Open discussion with all participants Aim of the discussion will be to define key biochemical reactions or metabolites that will be crucial for dissecting the systemic and spatiotemporal control of metabolism in *C. elegans*. We will define sensors that are lacking or that need to be improved to monitor key metabolic reactions. We will identify potential strategies, collaborators, community resources, and joint funding resources to improve imaging of these key metabolites. Through this workshop the *C. elegans* live metabolic imaging community will gain momentum for establishing additional optical sensors and live imaging strategies for metabolism.

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1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.
Boisdale Meeting Room

So you want to record whole-brain activity...

Cutting-edge techniques now enable neuron-type identification in living animals, closed loop neural-activity imaging and manipulation via optogenetics, and behavioral quantification (e.g., in response to stimuli). These techniques enable researchers to investigate neurobehavioral codes and test causality within these encodings. Nevertheless, these techniques require substantial expertise, and a major challenge remains in combining these tools to decipher how neurons generate behavior. This workshop will provide tutorials with experimental examples of how to use microfluidics, microscopy, and data analysis tools to measure and manipulate neurobehavioral circuit activity. It will culminate with a discussion of bottlenecks to throughput and opportunities to improve accessibility of these techniques.

Agenda

Opening Remarks

1:00 p.m. Microfluidic Chip Designs to Deliver Stimuli (Maedeh Seyedolmohadesin, Northeastern University)

1:08 p.m. Microscopes to Record Whole-Brain-Activity Movies and Extensions to Image Freely-Moving Worms (Candy Di, MIT)

1:16 p.m. Closed Loop Neural-Activity Imaging and Manipulation (Francesco Randi, Princeton University)

1:24 p.m. Q&A Session for talks 1-3

1:30 p.m. Tracking Neurons and Extracting their Activity (Jackson Borchardt, UCSF)

1:38 p.m. Neuron-Type Identification in Living Animals (Xingyang Fu, UMass Chan Medical School)

1:46 p.m. Combining Whole-Brain Imaging with Behavioral Quantification (Manuel Zimmer, University of Vienna)

1:54 p.m. Q&A Session for talks 3-6

2:00 p.m. Open discussion that clarifies any confusion in using these techniques, highlights inexpensive equipment for this research to level the playing field among labs worldwide, and explores ways to combine these techniques in novel ways.

Sunday, June 25, 2023

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

Alsh Meeting Room

WormBase and Alliance of Genome Resources, 2023: data, tools and cross-species comparisons

This workshop will be a use-case driven, interactive session focused on the major data types and search tools available at WormBase and the Alliance of Genome Resources (the Alliance). We will demonstrate how users can find WormBase data now fully integrated and harmonized at the Alliance, expanded disease model data and cross-species data comparisons across the major model organism species. We will also present an improved version of our Community Curation pipeline, Author Curation to Knowledgebase (ACKnowledge). We will walk participants through a submission to familiarize them with our system, highlighting key aspects of the process, and we will extend the hands-on experience to our booth, where curators will assist authors with a real submission.

Agenda

1:00 p.m. Chris Grove Starting with one and arriving at many: Using WormBase and the Alliance of Genome Resources for gene data

1:15 p.m. Todd Harris What tool do I use? Matching tools to data searching

1:30 p.m. Scott Cain JBrowse and recent updates to genome browsing

1:45 p.m. Daniela Raciti, Kimberly Van Auken Be ACKnowledged and help curate your paper!

2:00 p.m. Q&A Session and Discussions

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3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.
Clyde Auditorium

Plenary Session 2

Session Chairs

*Kris Gunsalus New York University, United States; and
Douglas Portman, University of Rochester, United States*

3:00 p.m. Genetic pathways for biogenesis of synaptic vesicles. **Sandhya Koushika** DBS-TIFR

61 3:30 p.m. Emergence of whole brain axon-axon patterning from early collective cell behaviors
Christopher Brittin Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

62 3:42 p.m. Mapping the neuropeptide signaling network and its evolution in nematodes **Luca Golinelli**
KU Leuven

63 3:54 p.m. Dissecting the Functional Organization of the *C. elegans* Serotonergic System at Whole-Brain Scale **Di Kang** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

64 4:06 p.m. Spiking neural circuit underlying the *C. elegans* gut-brain ultradian rhythm **Qiang Liu** City University of Hong Kong

65 4:18 p.m. Sexual dimorphism of whole-brain responses to a broad chemical space **Maedeh Seyedolmohadesin** Northeastern University

4:30 p.m. Coffee break in Forth Room and Gala Room

66 5:00 p.m. M Kin-recognition and nepotism mediate collective behaviours in the cannibalistic nematode *Pristionchus pacificus* **Fumie Hiramatsu** Max Planck Institute for Neurobiology of Behavior – caesar

67 5:12 p.m. *C. elegans* sphingolipid metabolism and pathogen defense are modulated by a microbiota-derived sphinganine **Lena Peters** Zoological Institute, Christian-Albrechts-University

68 5:24 p.m. Metabolism orchestrates direct reprogramming of germ cells to neuron-like cells
Amin Shadfar Institute of Cell and Systems Biology of Animals University of Hamburg

69 5:36 p.m. MORC-1 is a key component of the *C. elegans* CSR-1 germline gene licensing mechanism
Jessica Kirshner Johns Hopkins University

70 5:48 p.m. Heterochromatin readers CEC-6 and CEC-3 regulate RNAi inheritance and genome-wide H3K9me3 distribution **Chengyin Li** University of Toronto

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Monday, June 26, 2023

8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
Alsh Meeting Room

Ecology and evolution of hosts and microbes

Session Chairs

Lisa Petrella Marquette University, United States; and
Jessica Sowa West Chester University of Pennsylvania,
United States

71 8:30 a.m. Mating strategy determines context-dependent sexual behavior **Eya Wolfson** Weizmann Institute of Science

72 8:42 a.m. The evolution of developmental genetic biases explains the evolution of evolutionary rates **Joao Picao Osorio** Institute of Biology of the École Normale Supérieure, CNRS, INSERM, ENS, PSL

73 8:54 a.m. The co-option of a “grinder-molting protease” is essential for predatory feeding in the nematode *Pristionchus pacificus* **Misako Okumura** Hiroshima University

74 9:06 a.m. Development across evolutionary time at a single-cell resolution in the *Caenorhabditis* nematode embryo **Christopher Large** University of Pennsylvania

75 9:18 a.m. Virus-like transposons cross the species barrier and drive the evolution of genetic incompatibilities **Sonya Widen** Institute of Molecular Biotechnology

76 9:30 a.m. Nematode-trapping fungus trap *C. elegans* by targeting cuticular collagens **Hanwen Chang** Institute of Molecular Biology, Academia Sinica, Taipei

77 9:42 a.m. A regulator of nongenetic inheritance mediates the evolution and loss of plasticity **Nicholas Levis** Indiana University

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

78 10:18 a.m. Hourglass pattern of developmental evolution at the single cell level in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Chaogu Zheng** The University of Hong Kong

79 10:30 a.m. A toxin-antidote element in *Caenorhabditis elegans* that causes L1 larval arrest **Laura Walter-McNeill** University of California, Los Angeles

80 10:42 a.m. The growth rate of *C. elegans* is modulated by the *Actinobacteria* in its microbiome via sulfur metabolism **Om Patange** Harvard Medical School/Massachusetts General Hospital

81 10:54 a.m. Variable recombination rate landscapes and adaptation to a novel environment **Henrique Teotonio** Ecole Normale Supérieure

82 11:06 a.m. Natural polymorphism in biofilm-mediated killing of adult *C. elegans* involves surface galactans **Jonathan Hodgkin** University of Oxford

83 11:18 a.m. Nutritional programming of host-microbiome interactions in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Adrien Assie** Baylor College of Medicine

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Clyde Auditorium

Gene regulation, genomics, and emerging genetic technologies

Session Chairs

Thomas Duchaine McGill University; and Alicia Rogers University of Texas Arlington, United States

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

84 8:30 a.m. The molecular atlas of adult *C. elegans* glia across sexes reveals sexually dimorphic and heterogeneous glia **Maria Purice** Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

85 8:42 a.m. Loss of poly(U) polymerases has global impacts on the small RNAome and disrupts early embryo PGL granule clearance **Leanne Kelley** Syracuse University

86 8:54 a.m. A mechanistic link between histone mRNA homeostasis and piRNA biogenesis **Joana Pereirinha** Institute of Molecular Biology, Mainz

87 9:06 a.m. Uncovering the hidden germline genome: multimegabase tandem repeats and eliminated DNA in *Auanema rhodensis* **Pablo Gonzalez de la Rosa** Wellcome Sanger Institute

88 9:18 a.m. TASOR triggers intron-less gene silencing in *C. elegans* **Yekaterina Makeyeva** UMass Chan Medical School

89 9:30 a.m. 3D chromosome organization in *Caenorhabditis elegans* autosomes. **Dania Camila Pulido Barrera** Biozentrum, University of Basel

90 9:42 a.m. The functional cooperation of conserved RNA-binding proteins ensures the silencing of a master regulator **Daria Sobanska** Institute of Bioorganic Chemistry, PAS

91 10:18 a.m. Biotinylation-based tissue-specific ChIP-Seq reveals context-dependent genomic distribution of histone variants H2A.Z and H3.3 **Idris Selman Bulut** University of Hamburg

92 10:30 a.m. A family of F-box/transposase fusion genes involved in germ cell proteostasis and thermotolerance **Miguel Almeida** University of Cambridge

93 10:42 a.m. Incorporation of multiple non-canonical amino acids using genetic code expansion in *C. elegans* **Jose Vazquez** University of Edinburgh

94 10:54 a.m. Global analysis of RNA-binding protein expression and subcellular localization in *C. elegans* **John Laver** University of Toronto

95 11:06 a.m. High-Throughput Library Transgenesis in *Caenorhabditis elegans* via Transgenic Arrays Resulting in Diversity of Integrated Sequences (TARDIS) **Zachary Stevenson** University of Oregon, Institute of Ecology and Evolution

96 11:18 a.m. Towards Spatial Transcriptomics of *C. elegans* via Expansion Sequencing **Ruihan Zhang** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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Boisdale Meeting Room

Metabolism, pathogenesis and new technologies

Session Chairs

Robert Luallen San Diego State University; and Liesbet Temmerman KU Leuven

97 8:30 a.m. Loss of CDK-4 drives nucleolar size and anabolic metabolism via *lin-35* and *efl-1* **Rachel Webster** University of Toronto

98 8:42 a.m. Impact of High Dietary Glucose on A β -induced proteotoxicity in *C. elegans* **Emylee Kerslake** University of Delaware

99 8:54 a.m. A primordial TFEB/TGF β axis systemically regulates stem cell quiescence, activation, and regeneration in the adult reproductive diapause **Tim Nonninger** Max Planck Institute for Biology of Ageing

100 9:06 a.m. Preferential autophagy of ribosomes balances a trade-off between starvation survival and starvation recovery **Joel Tuomaala** University of Bern

101 9:18 a.m. Defining a novel homeostat that senses the temporal barriers of parental reproductive-span and sets progeny stress resistance capacity **Bennett Van Camp** University of Southern California

102 9:30 a.m. Parallel pathways for serotonin biosynthesis and metabolism in *C. elegans* **Jingfang Yu** Cornell University

103 9:42 a.m. A Pantothenate (Vitamin B5) Metabolite Promotes Intestinal Peptide Secretion as part of Gut-Neural Axis-Mediated Stress Response **Andrew Calof** University of Southern California

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

104 10:18 a.m. Cell type-specific activity of *hif-1* drives an organismal response to hypoxia **Ji Na Kong** HHMI/MIT

105 10:30 a.m. Novel tissue-specific regulation of the mitochondrial unfolded protein response **Maulik Patel** Vanderbilt University

106 10:42 a.m. The *Caenorhabditis elegans* microbiome (CeMbio) influences *Nematocida parisii* infection through nutrient limitation and inhibiting parasite invasion **Hala Tamim El Jarkass** University of Toronto

107 10:54 a.m. The host kynurenine pathway modulates and is modulated by gut microbes in *C. elegans* **Alexandre Benedetto** Lancaster University

108 11:06 a.m. Metabolic modeling and characterization of the nematode-infecting bacterial pathogen *Bordetella atropi*. **Ila Peeler** San Diego State University

109 11:18 a.m. *Caenorhabditis elegans* susceptibility to viral infection is modulated by its naturally associated bacteria **Rubén González** Institut de Biologie de l'École Normale Supérieure

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8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Lomond Auditorium

Sleep, stress, and microbiomes

Session Chairs

Astra Bryant University of Washington; and Michael Krieg ICFO-Institute of Photonic Science

110 8:30 a.m. Nematode-trapping fungi predation induces behavioral quiescence in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **TzuHsiang Lin** Institute of Molecular Biology, Academia Sinica, Taipei 11529, Taiwan

111 8:42 a.m. A sleep-active neuron can promote survival while sleep behavior is disturbed **Inka Busack** TU Dresden

112 8:54 a.m. Gut-brain sphingolipid signaling regulates stress-induced aversive memory in *C. elegans* **Yu-Chun Wu** National Taiwan University

113 9:06 a.m. The IRHOM orthologue ROM-4 functions with ADM-4/ADAM17 and FRM-10/FRMD8 to promote sleep during sickness **Michael Iannacone** University of Pennsylvania

114 9:18 a.m. *In vivo* monitoring of rapid adaptations in glycolysis in response to activity in *C. elegans* neurons **Aaron Wolfe** Yale University

115 9:30 a.m. Activity-dependent mitochondrial ROS production regulates glutamate receptor delivery and exocytosis at synapses **Frederic Hoerndli** Colorado State University

116 9:42 a.m. Modular Glucosides : A novel family of microbe-derived metabolites which regulate egg-laying and touch sensitivity in *C. elegans* **Madhumanti Dasgupta** Yale University

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

117 10:18 a.m. Elucidating Mechanisms of *Actinomyces* Mediated Neuroprotection in *C. elegans* Models of Parkinson's Disease **Sophie Ngana** McMaster University

118 10:30 a.m. Of Memory and Microbes: How stress regulators affect learning pathogen avoidance behavior **Rebekka Paisner** Johns Hopkins University

119 10:42 a.m. Investigating the role of dopamine signaling in skin penetration by *Strongyloides* species **Ruhi Patel** UCLA

120 10:54 a.m. Phototransduction is mediated by cGMP pathway and GPCR kinase in the nematode *Pristionchus pacificus* **Ken-ichi Nakayama** Hiroshima University

121 11:06 a.m. The heterochronic LIN-14 protein is a BEN domain transcription factor **Sharrell Greene** University of Alabama at Birmingham

122 11:18 a.m. Regulation of stress-induced sleep by neuropeptide NLP-67 in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Vishnu Raj** University of Wisconsin

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1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.
Lomond Auditorium

Beyond EM: Optical tools to visualize ultrastructure

Visualizing small subcellular structures, such as synaptic connections, has traditionally relied on electron microscopy (EM), which is constrained by time, sample size, expense, and a steep learning curve. To scale the analysis, individual labs continue to develop various in vivo labeling strategies and imaging approaches to study such ultrastructures in *C. elegans*. The ensuing toolkit of reporters and microscopy techniques brings its opportunities - such as interrogation in different paradigms and with a much higher throughput - as well as challenges, which include lower resolution and manual quantification biases. In this workshop, we propose to discuss 1) recent advances in optical imaging and quantification to expand the phenotypic space that would facilitate a deeper understanding of ultrastructures, and 2) developments in labeling strategies and shared resources. The goal is to discuss both opportunities and challenges and to encourage the sharing of the growing number of resources generated by independent labs. Speakers will adhere to each method's relevance to *C. elegans* instead of broadly describing the methods and their utility in other systems. Multiple speakers, each of whom will bring a distinct set of expertise will present two longer talks and several short updates on ongoing technological advances.

Agenda

1:00 p.m. Maryam Majeed, Haejun Han, Columbia University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Toolkits for detailed and high-throughput interrogation of synapses.

1:15 p.m. Bérangère Pinan-Lucarre, Université Lyon, Experiences with labeling post-synaptically localized LGICs.

1:20 p.m. Kelsie Eichel, Stanford University, Using Flp/FRT recombination to visualize proteins at the axon initial segment.

1:25 p.m. Chi Zhang and Yangning Lu, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Advances in Expansion Microscopy in *C. elegans*.

1:37 p.m. Ruihan Zhang and Madison Sneve, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Expansion Microscopy-Enabled Spatial Transcriptomics of *C. elegans*.

1:42 p.m. Chien-Po Liao, Columbia University, Distinct subcellular localization of Neuroligin-1/NLG-1 and its implications.

1:47 p.m. Yehuda Salzberg, Weizmann Institute, Anterograde labeling of synaptic connections.

1:52 p.m. Miri VanHoven, San José State University, Multicolor split-fluorescent protein labeling of synapses.

2:00 p.m. Gal Haspel, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Moderated discussion.

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1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

Clyde Auditorium

Expanding the worm model repertoire

Recent developments in genome engineering tools and gathering of high-quality genomic data expanded the range of worm species accessible for mechanistic investigation. These advances permitted decisive discoveries thanks not only to the particularities of “non model” nematodes, but also thanks to the power of exploiting prior knowledge from *C. elegans* when studying related species. The workshop speakers will first present ongoing research and distinctive biological features of tractable non-*C. elegans* nematodes, with a heavy emphasis on the latest tools and resources developed to improve genetic, genomic and behavioral experimentation, providing avenues for exciting research in “new” species to *C. elegans* investigators from all backgrounds. Then, in an open discussion including the audience, we will debate over the current challenges affecting studies in unconventional worms and the most promising technical and community-based approaches to accelerate research and incite more worm scientists to adopt additional species in their own lab.

Agenda

1:00 p.m. Itai Toker, Columbia University, Introduction.

1:04 p.m. Ronald Ellis, Rowan University, *Caenorhabditis briggsae*.

1:10 p.m. Hillel Schwartz, Caltech, *Steinernema hermaphroditum*.

1:16 p.m. Ray Hong, California State U Northridge, *Pristionchus Pacificus*.

1:22 p.m. Alejandro Burga, IMBA Vienna, *Caenorhabditis tropicalis*.

1:28 p.m. Eric Haag, University of Maryland, Considerations for research in gonochoric nematodes.

1:34 p.m. Elissa Hallem, UCLA, *Strongyloides stercoralis*.

1:40 p.m. Marie Delattre, ENS Lyon, *Mesorhabditis* genus.

1:46 p.m. Sally Adams, University of Warwick, *Auanema* genus.

1:52 p.m. Marie-Anne Félix, ENS Paris, Resources for species available in lab culture.

1:58 p.m. Open Discussion with panel and audience.

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1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.
Boisdale Meeting Room

So you have whole-brain traces, now what?

Now that whole brain neuronal recording of immobilized and freely-moving worms is possible, new exciting questions and challenges arise. Specifically, there is a growing need to figure out the most useful and interpretable approaches to analyze whole-brain datasets, and how they could relate to behavior. The workshop is organized in two parts: First each speaker will advertise one computational approach including strengths and weaknesses and how to interpret it. Second, each speaker will form a small group and discuss their technique in more detail, including tips and tricks on how to implement them and additional intuition. We will also discuss ways to save and share whole-brain datasets, focusing on the Neurodata Without Borders standard. Overall, we aim to bring theoretical and experimental scientists together and to encourage collaboration and sharing of whole-brain data and analysis techniques.

Agenda

- 1:00 p.m. Charles Fieseler and Itamar Lev, University of Vienna, Introduction
- 1:05 p.m. Megan Morrison, New York University
- 1:10 p.m. Matthew Creamer, Princeton University
- 1:15 p.m. Vivek Venkatachalam, Northwestern University
- 1:20 p.m. Adam Atanas, MIT
- 1:25 p.m. Yunjie J Zhu, University of Leeds
- 1:30 p.m. Daniel Sprague, USCF, Neurodata Without Borders
- 1:35 p.m. Discussion in small subgroups

Monday, June 26, 2023

1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.
Alsh Meeting Room

Spotlight on the nuclear envelope: insights from the worm

The nuclear envelope is a double membrane structure that surrounds and separates the genome in eukaryotic cells. Apart from acting as a supportive barrier, the nuclear envelope also controls the passage of macromolecules to and from the nucleus, organizes chromatin, and mediates mechanical signals from the cell surface to the nuclear interior. Mutations in its components lead to multiple diseases underscoring the nuclear envelope's many critical functions. In this workshop, we will explore open questions in the field of nuclear envelope biology and how *C. elegans* is being leveraged to address them. We feature research flashtalks from experts and audience/panelist discussion on new tools, techniques, and biology. The conservation of the nuclear envelope proteome from worms to humans, as well as the ease of genetics and in vivo imaging, makes *C. elegans* an excellent model organism to understand nuclear envelope functions.

Agenda

- 1:00 p.m. Introductory remarks, Sarah Barger
- 1:05 p.m. Peter Askjaer, Universidad Pablo de Olavide, nuclear envelope physiology
- 1:20 p.m. Daniel Starr, University of California Davis, LINC complex
- 1:35 p.m. Daphne Cabianca, IFE Helmholtz Zentrum Munich, chromatin organization
- 1:50 p.m. Lionel Pintard, Université Paris cité, CNRS, Institut Jacques Monod, mitotic kinases and nuclear envelope breakdown
- 2:05 p.m. Audience-led discussion, Olya Yarychkivska / Sarah Barger / panelists
- 2:27 p.m. Closing remarks, Olya Yarychkivska

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3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Clyde Auditorium

Plenary Session 3 and Keynote Address

Session Chairs

*Hannes Buelow Albert Einstein College of Medicine;
and Jessica Feldman Stanford University, United States*

3:00 p.m. Assembly and function of P granules.

Geraldine Seydoux Johns Hopkins Medical Institute

123 3:30 p.m. The SPN-4 RNA-binding protein promotes maternal mRNA clearance during the oocyte-to-embryo transition **Caroline Spike** University of Minnesota

124 3:42 p.m. A passive “hitch and tow” mechanism for cell shape change **Theadora Tolkin** NYU Grossman School of Medicine

125 3:54 p.m. Spatiotemporal Dynamics of pulsatile miRNA transcription in the *C. elegans* Hypodermis **Shubham Sahu** PCC, UMR168, Institute Curie

126 4:06 p.m. Dissecting the role of the atypical E2F factor EFL-3 in seam cell development in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Mar Ferrando Marco** Imperial College London

127 4:18 p.m. Temperature experience is encoded in the AFD gene expression profile to drive neuronal and behavioral plasticity **Nathan Harris** Brandeis University

4:30 p.m. Coffee break in Forth Room and Gala Room

5:00 p.m. Introduction of Oliver Hobert

5:05 p.m. Keynote Address, *Why C. elegans* remains special. **Oliver Hobert** Columbia University

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8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
Boisdale Meeting Room

Aging and stress

Session Chairs

Maulik Patel Vanderbilt University; and Ye Tian Institute of Genetics

128 8:30 a.m. Heterochromatin Protein 1 controls gene expression and longevity in response to mitochondrial dysfunction **Marta Artal Sanz** Andalusian Centre for Developmental Biology. University Pablo de Olavide

129 8:42 a.m. Dietary restriction promotes healthspan via a glucagon-like signaling pathway in *C. elegans* **Brian Onken** Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

130 8:54 a.m. Glia: cell non-autonomous regulators of metabolic homeostasis and longevity **Ashley Frakes** National Institutes of Health

131 9:06 a.m. A ribonuclease κ that promotes longevity by cleaving age-dependently accumulating circular RNAs **sieun Kim** Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

132 9:18 a.m. Stochastic, synchronized DAF-16 nuclear translocation pulses control stress-induced growth arrest in developing larvae **Burak Demirbas** AMOLF

133 9:30 a.m. Systematic mapping of organism-scale gene-regulatory networks in aging using population asynchrony **Matthias Eder** Centre de Regulació Genòmica (CRG)

134 9:42 a.m. Regulation of lifespan by sensory neural activity and CaMKI/IV **Yanxun Yu** Wuhan University

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

135 10:18 a.m. Knockdown of microtubule and lysosomal regulators alleviates embryonic lethality in a Nestor Guillermo Progeria *C. elegans* model **Adrián Frago-Luna** Centro Andaluz Biología del Desarrollo

136 10:30 a.m. H3K4me3 modifiers regulate proteostasis via an HSF-1-lipid metabolic axis **Bryndon Oleson** University of Michigan

137 10:42 a.m. Olfactory chemosensation extends lifespan through TGF- β signaling and UPR activation **Rebecca Taylor** University of East Anglia

138 10:54 a.m. Determining the role of calcium on the mitochondrial unfolded protein response **Suzanne Angeli** University of Maine

139 11:06 a.m. Neurotransmitters modulate lifespan via GPCR signaling in *C. elegans* **Jianfeng Liu** Huazhong University of Science and Technology

140 11:18 a.m. The quality control system that monitors the secreted proteome: investigating the extracellular proteostasis network **Ivan Gallotta** Babraham Institute

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8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Alsh Meeting Room

Intracellular trafficking, organelles, cell polarity

Session Chairs

Ariel Pani University of Virginia, CAS; and Ana Xavier de Carvalho, IBMC

154 8:30 a.m. Live single-molecule imaging shows localized translation of endogenous transcripts in the *C. elegans* embryo **Elise van der Salm** Utrecht University

155 8:42 a.m. Tug of war between PAR-3 and CDC-42 in the polarisation of the *C. elegans* zygote **Josana Rodriguez** Newcastle University

156 8:54 a.m. Multiple pathways for re-establishing PAR polarity in *C. elegans* embryo **Laurel Koch** University of California, Davis

157 9:06 a.m. The mechanical role of the nucleus in cell invasion in *C. elegans* **Johan d’Humières** Ecole Normale Supérieure

158 9:18 a.m. An intrinsic polarising signal for asymmetric cell division in the nematode genus *Auanema*. **sally adams** The University of Warwick

159 9:30 a.m. Connecting neighboring epithelial cells to make one continuous digestive tract **Lauren Cote** Stanford University

160 9:42 a.m. Investigating FGF dispersal and the spatial organization of downstream signaling proteins in migrating cells **Theresa Gibney** Department of Biology, University of Virginia

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

161 10:18 a.m. Independent regulation of mitochondrial DNA quantity and quality in *C. elegans* primordial germ cells **Aaron Schwartz** NYU School of Medicine

162 10:30 a.m. A Conserved Requirement for RME-8/DNAJC13 on Neuronal Autolysosome Reformation **Sierra Swords** Rutgers University

163 10:42 a.m. Non-random segregation of mitochondria during asymmetric neuroblast division **Ioannis Segos** University College London

164 10:54 a.m. Phospholipid flippases regulate glial phagocytosis of a sensory neuron ending **Violet Sorrentino** Fred Hutch Cancer Research Center

165 11:06 a.m. Cilia-intrinsic mechanisms and not neuronal transduction regulate dynamic release of extracellular vesicles (EVs) **Juan Wang** Rutgers University

166 11:18 a.m. Lysosomes contain an expansion compartment that mediates zinc transporter delivery to promote zinc homeostasis in *C. elegans* **Adelita Mendoza** Washington University

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8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Lomond Auditorium

Neuronal cell biology, degeneration, & behavior

Session Chairs

Rachel Arey Baylor College of Medicine; and Eviatar Yemini UMass Chan Medical School, United States

167 8:30 a.m. Neural control mechanisms of sex pheromone-triggered mate-searching behavior **Xuan Wan** Caltech

168 8:42 a.m. Sensory cilia architecture and intraflagellar transport shape sensory signaling **Alison Philbrook** Brandeis University

169 8:54 a.m. NeuroSCAN: a tool for analyzing neuronal relationships across scales and throughout development **Noelle Koonce** Yale University School of Medicine

170 9:06 a.m. Structural insights into the formation of repulsive Netrin guidance complexes **Jessica Priest** University of Chicago

171 9:18 a.m. UNC-43/CaMKII regulates synapse assembly in *C. elegans* **Mizuki Kurashina** University of British Columbia

172 9:30 a.m. A gene expression atlas of the entire L1 *C. elegans* nervous system **Seth Taylor** Brigham Young University

173 9:42 a.m. Neuropeptide NLP-47 and its receptor GNRR-1 are important for forgetting of olfactory memory in *C. elegans* **Yuuki Onishi** Kyushu University

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

174 10:18 a.m. A pan-neuronal alternative splicing event triggers pan-neuronal gene transcription **Eduardo Leyva Diaz** Instituto de Neurociencias, CSIC-UMH

175 10:30 a.m. *hrpr-1* rescues *smn-1*-related motoneurons degeneration by modulating *ret-1* splicing. **Pamela Santonicola** IBBR - CNR

176 10:42 a.m. TIR-1/SARM1 inhibits axon regeneration and promotes axon degeneration **Lauren O'Connor** UMass Chan Medical School

177 10:54 a.m. Metabolic mechanisms for suppression of axon degeneration **Hadas Dabas** Yale

178 11:06 a.m. Neural mechanisms of oxygen sensing in a skin-penetrating nematode **Breanna Walsh** University of California, Los Angeles

179 11:18 a.m. Hierarchical regulation of functionally antagonistic neuropeptides expressed in a single modulatory neuron type control locomotion of *C. elegans* **Ichiro Aoki** Goethe University Frankfurt

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8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Clyde Auditorium

Developmental regulation of gene expression and cell division

Session Chairs

Colin Conine University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, United States; and Ahilya Sawh University of Toronto, Canada

141 8:30 a.m. What sets the limits of transcription kinetics in the developing embryo? **Priya Sivaramakrishnan** University of Pennsylvania

142 8:42 a.m. When a new gene learns old tricks: how a species-specific T-box gene came to play a role in the very early embryo **Emily Baker** University of Oxford

143 8:54 a.m. Developmentally programmed histone H3 expression regulates cellular plasticity at the parental-to-early embryo transition **Ryan Gleason** Johns Hopkins University

144 9:06 a.m. Sexually dimorphic cell cycle regulation of quiescent neural progenitor asymmetric divisions **Carla Lloret Fernández** University College London

145 9:18 a.m. The transcription factor LSL-1 is a main player in germline/soma distinction **Magali Nanchen** University of Fribourg

146 9:30 a.m. Inter-individual variation in gene expression underlies reproductive traits in isogenic worms **Amy Webster** University of Oregon

147 9:42 a.m. Spatial single cell sequencing of meiosis I arrested oocytes reveals acquisition of maternal transcripts from the soma **Kenneth Trimmer** MD Anderson Cancer Center

9:54 a.m. Coffee break in Exhibit Hall 5

148 10:18 a.m. Dynamic chromatin regulation and the *C. elegans* molting clock. **Stephen Methot** Friedrich Miescher Institute for Biomedical Research

149 10:30 a.m. Transcriptional Control of a developmental transition in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **François-Xavier Stubbe** UNamur

150 10:42 a.m. LincRNAs Promote Germline Stem Cells Differentiation via Sequestering PUF Proteins to Phase-Phase Condensates **Hanna Achache** Institute of Life Sciences, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

151 10:54 a.m. The USTC complex defines the chromatin environment of piRNA genes in the *C. elegans* germ line **Nancy Sanchez** Yale University

152 11:06 a.m. Mitophogenesis: an unexpected mitochondria-specific ectocytosis process and its critical role in modulating mitochondrial content and fertility of sperm **Hongyun Tang** Westlake University

153 11:18 a.m. A Bipartite Nuclease and Cytidine Deaminase is Required in the Soma and the Germline to Promote Transgenerational Male Fertility **Nicholas Galambos** University of Pennsylvania

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4:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
Lomond Auditorium

Advances in volumetric EM in *C. elegans*

Electron microscopy (EM) is instrumental to many *C. elegans* studies. New technologies have improved the capabilities of EM from specimen prep to image analysis. Despite these improvements, EM remains a complex endeavor where many labs develop their own unique protocols. This workshop is focused on the sharing of knowledge and best practices associated with improvements to EM. Topics will include improvements to established techniques such as high-pressure freezing for sample prep to the use of artificial intelligence for data analysis.

Agenda

4:15 p.m. Welcome and introductions, Nathan Schroeder, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

4:20 p.m. Application of high-pressure freeze, serial TEM for single-cell reconstruction and immunohistochemistry, Mia Krout, University of Illinois at Chicago

4:35 p.m. Volume EM for connectomes and more, Ben Mulcahy, University of Toronto Lunenfeld

4:50 p.m. How hard is it to do EM on worms? Sample prep tips for conventional and more fancy EM (FIB-SEM), Sebastian Markert Universität Würzburg

5:05 p.m. Array tomography: How to democratize *C. elegans* EM, Irina Kolotuev University de Lausanne

5:25 p.m. Discussion among speakers and attendees.

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

4:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
Clyde Auditorium

***C. elegans* as a platform for whole animal synthetic biology**

Synthetic biology is a rapidly emerging field, focusing on the engineering of novel biological systems out of biological building blocks. The *C. elegans* Synthetic Biology workshop will discuss the opportunities offered by *C. elegans* for whole-animal synthetic biology design and implementation, including genetic code expansion and in vivo gene and neural circuit engineering. The workshop will explore both technical and conceptual innovations in the field and discuss where it might head.

Agenda

4:15 p.m. Ithai Rabinowitch, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, Introduction

4:27 p.m. Daniel Colón-Ramos, Yale University, USA, Intercellular signaling

4:39 p.m. Alexander Gottschalk, Goethe University, Frankfurt/Main, Germany, Optogenetics

4:51 p.m. Michael Krieg, Institute of Photonics Sciences, Castelldefels, Spain, Optical synapses

5:03 p.m. Sebastian Greiss, The University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, Genetic code expansion

5:15 p.m. Discussion

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4:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
Dochart Meeting Room

GSA Publishing Workshop

Curious about the peer review process? Want to learn what it takes to get published? This workshop has you covered. After opening with an informative presentation by GSA Journals, the workshop gives participants the opportunity to talk with GENETICS and G3 editors. The Publishing Q&A is open to all career stages and is likely of particular usefulness to students and postdocs. Please bring your questions and join us for lively conversation!

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

4:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
Boisdale Meeting Room

The way of the microbes: tools and resources for microbiome research

This great new era of *C. elegans* natural biology has unearthed a new field in the community dedicated to understanding the role that microbes have played in sculpting the physiology of our beloved model system. In the wild, microbes not only act as potential food or pathogen, but can also colonize the intestines of *C. elegans* in simple communities ('microbiomes'). Interest in this field has exploded since the first descriptions of these communities in wild *C. elegans* and introduction of the characteristic core microbiome in the first workshop, yet there is still great opportunity ahead. The aim of this workshop is to provide an overview of this emerging field and the evolving directions, to facilitate cross-fertilization between the different approaches, and to introduce members of the *C. elegans* community to useful research pipelines and available resources for its native microbiome.

Agenda

4:15 p.m. Introduction to the *C. elegans* microbiome, Buck Samuel, Baylor College of Medicine

4:20 p.m. Fine scale methods for assessing gut bacteria in *C. elegans*, Jessica L. Hill, Colorado State University

4:30 p.m. Microbial metabolite transport from gut to brain, Michael O'Donnell, Yale University

4:40 p.m. Identifying gene regulatory networks involved in host-microbe interactions in *C. elegans* Alejandra Zárate-Potes, Lancaster University

4:50 p.m. *C. elegans* microbiota-mediated protection against pathogens, Katja Dierking, Kiel University

5:00 p.m. Genomic and genetic resources for the *C. elegans* microbiome, Adrien Assié, Baylor College of Medicine

5:10 p.m. Small group discussions

5:30 p.m. Large group discussion

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

8:45 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Clyde Auditorium

Plenary Session 4

Session Chairs

*Javier Apfeld Northeastern University, United States;
and Andrea Calixto Universidad de Valparaiso, Chile*

8:45 a.m. Art Show Awards

9:05 a.m. GSA Poster Awards

9:15 a.m. Autophagy: lessons from *C. elegans*. **Hong Zhang** Chinese Academy of Sciences

180 9:45 a.m. Identifying the aging intestine secretome and its role in lifespan regulation **Jason Miklas** Stanford University

181 9:57 a.m. Ribosome rescue factor PELO-1/PELOTA prevents premature aging by enhancing mRNA quality and autophagy in *C. elegans* and mammals **Jongsun Lee** Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology

182 10:09 a.m. Maternal insulin signaling to germ cells regulates adaptive changes in offspring metabolism via a mitochondrial ETC dependent mechanism **Nick Burton** Van Andel Institute

183 10:21 a.m. Nutrient deprivation induces a tissue-specific, reversible, large-scale chromatin reorganization in *C. elegans* **Daphne Selvaggia Cbianca** HelmholtzZentrum Muenchen

184 10:33 a.m. Multi-species nematode screening uncovers a new class of broad-spectrum anthelmintic compounds **Hala Zahreddine Fahs** NYU

10:45 a.m. Opening Remarks for Inclusivity Session

10:50 a.m. Inclusive Classrooms **Lina Dahlberg**

10:55 a.m. Inclusive Communities **Meera Sundaram**

11:00 a.m. Inclusive Peer Review **Miriam Goodman**

11:05 a.m. Question and Answer



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Cell Biology

185A High-throughput screening of fluorescent *Caenorhabditis elegans* using the COPAS VISION large particle imaging flow cytometer **Giuliano Ferrero** Union Biometrica

186A Analyses of mechanisms of ALLO-1 targeting to the paternal organelles in embryos **Takuya Norizuki** Gunma University

187A Ciliopathy Disease Modelling in *C. elegans*: using CRISPR to interpret patient variants and characterise molecular mechanisms of Joubert Syndrome **Karen Lange** University College Dublin

188A Dynamics of oocyte-surface proteins during and after fertilization **Sugiura Kenta** Institute for Molecular and Cellular Regulation, Gunma University

189A Identification of polycystin interactors within ciliary extracellular vesicles using proximity labeling in *Caenorhabditis elegans* Topics: Cell Biology / Intracellular Trafficking and Organelles **Inna Nikonorova** Rutgers University

190A Mitochondrial morphology and inheritance during asymmetric cell division **Jens Van Eeckhoven** University College London

191A Extracellular matrix regulates polycystin localization and extracellular vesicle release from *C. elegans* sensory cilia **Katherine Jacobs** Rutgers University

192A A split-GFP based biosensor for the detection of mature CED-3 caspase *in vivo* **Madiha Ghani** University College London

193A Linker cell-type death (LCD) – a physiological model for nuclear and chromatin aberrations **Olya Yarychkivska** The Rockefeller University

194A Sensing damage in the skin **Thomas Sonntag** Aix Marseille Univ, INSERM, CNRS, CIML, Turing Centre for Living Systems, Marseille, France

195A Actomyosin interconnectivity in body wall muscles **Ana Marta Silva** IBMC, Instituto de Biologia Molecular e Celular, and i3S, Instituto de Investigação e Inovação em Saúde, University of Porto, Portugal.

196A Routine immunostaining, fluorescence in situ hybridization, and expansion microscopy in *C. elegans* enabled by cuticle removal using spatially-restricted enzymatic digestion **Chi Zhang** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

197A An adapted MS2-MCP system for live imaging endogenous cytoplasmic mRNAs **Cristina Tocchini** Biozentrum

198A Characterizing the subcellular distribution of SOD-1 in *C. elegans* cells and tissues **Lucia Sedlackova** Centre for Genomic Regulation (CRG)

199A Deletion of *flwr-1* suppresses *rab-37* mutant hypersensitivity to inhibitors of cholinesterase **Kevin Kruse** University of Utah

200A HDAC inhibition combats neurodevelopmental trafficking stressors **Caitlin Taylor** Stanford University

201A Bilayer lipid metabolism and chromatin-based membrane remodeling seal holes in the nuclear envelope **Sarah Barger** Yale University

202A A BORC-dependent molecular pathway for vesiculation of cell corpse phagolysosomes **Gholamreza Fazeli** University of Wuerzburg

203A DRP-1 mediates microvillar effacement induced by Enterohemorrhagic *Escherichia coli* **Cheng-Rung Huang** National Cheng Kung University

204A Changes in nucleolar architecture and biological functions during *C. elegans* aging **Laeya Baldini** Mcgill university

205A Identification of new apoptosis regulators in *C. elegans* **Nadin Memar** Institute for Basic Science - Center for Genomic Integrity

206A Regulation of centriole number by the microtubule remodeling factor SSNA-1 **Jason Pfister** NIH

207A The nucleoporin NPP-14 is required for co-clustering of nuclear pores and P granules in the *C. elegans* germline **Laura Thomas** HHMI / Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

- 208A** Cortical actomyosin flow driven polarization, what goes with the flow and why? **Zeno Messi** The Francis Crick Institute
- 209A** PAM-1 interacts with the cell-cycle machinery to regulate meiosis and mitosis in *C. elegans* **Rebecca Lyczak** Ursinus Col
- 210A** A primary microcephaly-associated *sas-6* mutation perturbs centriole duplication and ciliogenesis in *Caenorhabditis elegans* **Jyoti Iyer** University of Tulsa
- 211A** A model for striated muscle disorders caused by variants of human laminA **Daniel Starr** UC Davis
- 212A** APC/C^{FZR-1} is controlled at several levels in the germline **Jose Perez-Martin** Instituto de Biomedicina de Valencia CSIC
- 213A** RG/RGG repeats in the *C. elegans* homologs of Nucleolin and GAR1 contribute to sub-nucleolar phase separation **Dustin Updike** Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory
- 214A** Genome-wide synthetic lethality RNAi screen identifies genes essential for survival in response to the loss of the *lem-3* or *slx-1* nucleases in *C. elegans*. **Stephane Rolland** Institute for Basic Science - Center for Genomic Integrity
- 215A** Epithelia delimits glial apical polarity against mechanical shear to maintain glia-neuron - architecture **Aakanksha Singhvi** Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center
- 216A** Number intentionally not assigned
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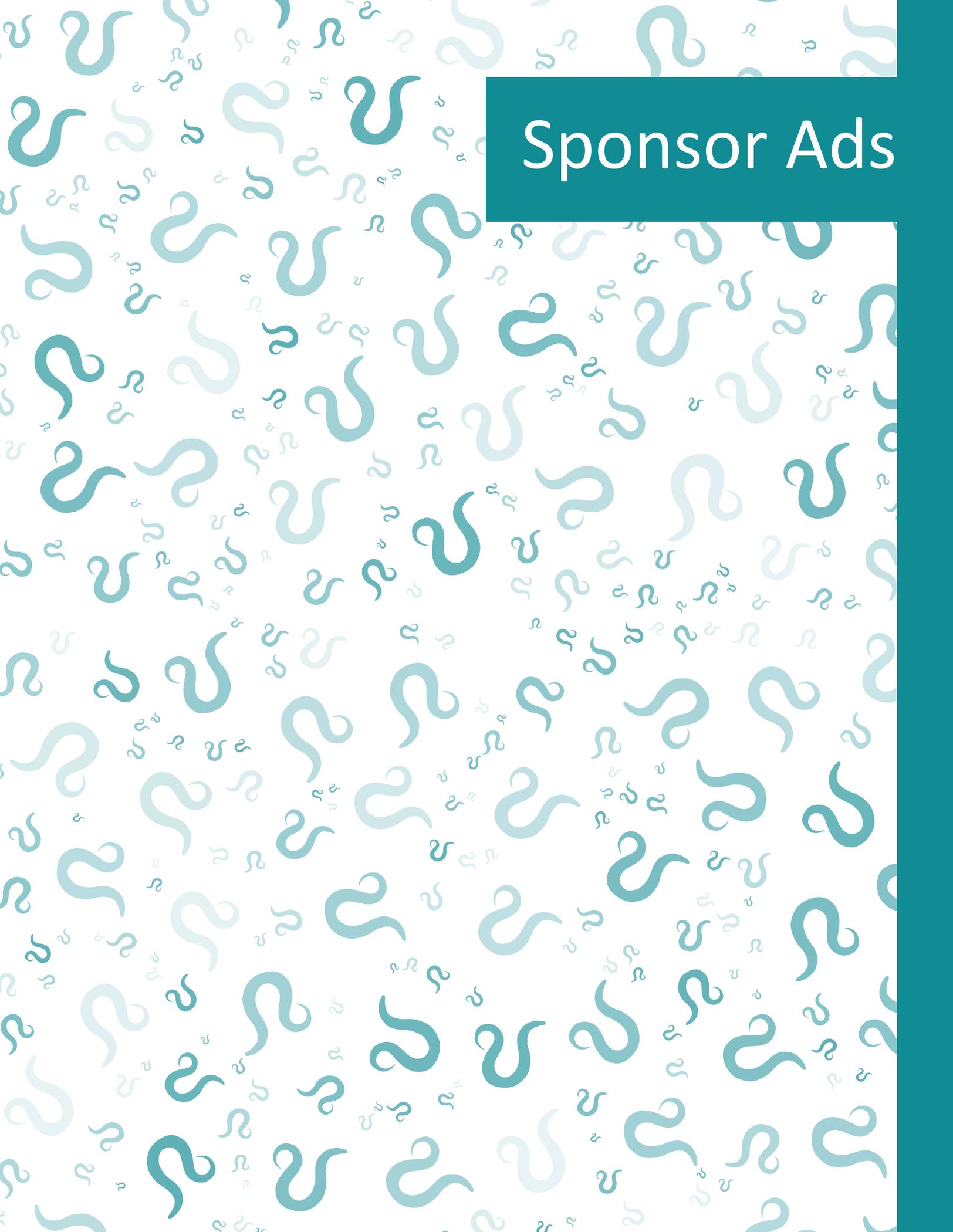
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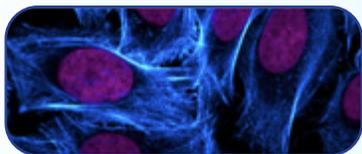
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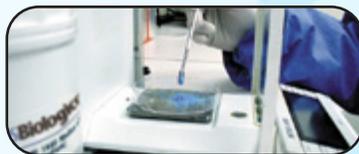
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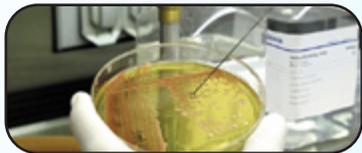
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