4th Biology Research Day

12th of June 2015

Iontas Lecture Theatre and Foyer

9.15- 10.45 - Session 1: Immunology

Chair: Fiachra Humphries

Maud Sorel, (Plant Biochemistry Lab, EG)

'Involvement of the N-end rule pathway in the plant's response to pathogens'

*Susan Dunne, (Cell Signalling Lab, MB)

'Exploring the regulation of IL-27 production'

*Dearbhlaith Larkin, (Applied Proteomics Lab, JC)

'Characterisation of the immune response of the buff-tailed bumblebee Bombus terrestris'

*Helen Kennelly, (Cellular Immunology Lab, KE)

'Human MSC exert cytoprotective effects against emphysema through production of trophic mediators in vivo'

*Jennifer Corbett, (Cellular Immunology Lab, KE)

'Cyclosporine and IFN-y Enhance the Immunosuppressive Capacity of Human Mesenchymal Stromal Cells'

*Fiona Carty, (Cellular Immunology Lab, KE)

'Multipotent Adult Progenitor Cells suppress IL-7 driven stimulation of T cells in an in vivo model of homeostatic proliferation'

10.45-12.00 Coffee and Posters (poster presenters to stand by their posters)

12.00-13.00 - Session 2-part 1: Biotechnology and Biocontrol

Chair: Eoin Mulvihill

Péter Medgyesy, (Plant Cell Biology Lab, PD)

'Plastid DNA recombination: clashes of models'

*Kevin Goslin, (Plant Biochemistry Lab, EC)

'Analysis of LEAFY function during floral initiation in Arabidopsis thaliana'

*Johan van Vlaenderen, (Behavioural Ecology and Biocontrol, CG)

'From chemicals to naturally occurring control agents : entomopathogenic fungi to the rescue against the large pine weevil'

Lorraine McGill, (Applied Proteomics Lab, EG)

'Investigating the molecular determinants of cold-acclimation and freezing-tolerance in the arctic nematode Panagrolaimus superbus'

13.00- 13:45 Lunch

(poster presenters: please take your posters down after lunch)

13.45-14:30 - Session 2-part 2: Biotechnology and Biocontrol

*Nicola Moloney, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)

'Exposing the Tactics of Aspergillus fumigatus in a Battlefield for Iron'

Eoin Mulvihill, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)

'Iron Deficiency Induces Significant Changes in the Mycelial and Microsomal Proteome of Aspergillus fumigatus'

*Stephen Dolan, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)

'Combining reverse genetics and X-ray crystallography to elucidate the structure and function of a gliotoxin bis-thiomethyltransferase in Aspergillus fumigatus'

14.30-16:30 - Session 3: Biomedical Science

Chairs: Darren Martin and Niamh McCormack

Fiona Walsh (Antimicrobial Resistance and Microbiome Research Group)

'Antibiotic resistance & microbiome research'

*Therese Lynn, (Epithelial Immunbiology Lab, SO'D)

'Bone Morphogenetic Protein Expression in descending porcine airways'

*Zita McCrea, (Epithelial Immunbiology Lab, SO'D)

'Bio-Electrospraying: an innovative delivering method for MSC'

Niamh McCormack, (Host-Pathogen Interaction, MS)

'Demonstrating a collaborative role between DDX3 and IKKɛ in breast cancer relevant gene expression'

*Ronan Maguire, (Medical Mycology Lab, KK)

'Evaluation of the potential of using Galleria larvae for measuring the relative toxicity of food preservtives '

Fiachra Humphries, (Molecular Immunology, PM)

'ECSIT: A heart breaking protein '

*Siobhan Leonard, (Membrane Biology, JF)

'GPR21, A Novel Target for Type 2 Diabetes'

16:30 – 18:00 Coffee, Goodies and Prize Giving (Biosciences Foyer)

^{*:} presentations by postgraduate students



Prizes sponsored by Roche Diagnostics:

Best postdoc talk (100€) and runner-up (50€)

Best postgrad talk (100€) and two runner-ups (50€ each)

Best poster (100€) and runner-up (50€)

In addition, the Roche Gold Researcher of the Year medal will be awarded for the best overall talk.

<u>Posters</u>

- 1. Fiona Walsh (Antimicrobial Resistance and Microbiome Research Group)
- 2. Hmmier Abduladim,(Clinical Proteomics Lab, PD)*
- 3. Aine Adams, (Cellular Immunology Lab, KE)*
- 4. Amie Maher, (Medical Mycology Lab, KK)*
- 5. Betim Karahoda, (Fungal Genetics & Secondary Metabolism, OB)*
- 6. Bingwei Wang, (Molecular Immunology Lab, PM)
- 7. Carla Surlis, (Medical Mycology Lab, KK)*
- 8. Christopher Williams, (Behavioural Ecology and Biocontrol, CG)
- 9. Clare Finnegan, (Molecular Immunology Lab, PM)*
- 10. Darragh Cuskelly, (Yeast Genetics Lab, GJ)*
- 12. Elizabeth Smith, (Yeast Genetics Lab, GJ)*
- 13. Fred McMahon, (Medical Mycology, KK)*
- 14. Johana Isaza-Correa, (Molecular Immunology, PM)*
- 15. Kevin Sheridan, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)*
- 16. Lara Manzanares, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)*
- 17. Laura Cahill, (Cellular Immunology Lab, KE)*
- 18. Louise Mc Namara, (Behavioural Ecology and Biocontrol, CG)*
- 19. Mohamed Asaiyah, (Behavioural Ecology and Biocontrol, CG)*
- 20. Nadia Elramli, (Fungal Genetics & Secondary Metabolism, OB)*
- 21. Rose Waldron, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)*
- 22. Sandra Murphy, (Muscle Biology Lab, KO)*
- 23. Thi Thuy Do, (Antimicrobial Resistance and Microbiome Research Group, FW)
- 24. Siobhan O'Neill, (Medical Mycology Lab, KK)*
- 25. Steven Busschots, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)

Additional Abstracts (absent on the day)

- 26. Grainne O'Keeffe, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)
- 27. Linan Xu, (Yeast Genetics Lab, GJ)*
- 28. Özlem Sarikaya-Bayram, (Biotechnology Lab, SD)
- 29. Tiina Lynch, (Plant Cell Biology Lab, PD)*
- 30. Ashling Holland, (Muscle Biology Lab, KO)