

Department of Biological Sciences Retreat Program

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Tuesday May 30th, 2017

Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation, 86-90 Phaneromenis Str., 1011 Nicosia, Cyprus
(<https://www.boccf.org/>)

- 10:00-10:30 Coffee-Tea-Refreshments
- 10:30-11:30 Sfenthourakis Spyros: Introduction & *Biodiversity Laboratory*
11:30-12:00 Strati Katerina: *Tumor Viruses and Cancer*
12:00-12:30 Skourides Paris: *Cell Biology and Molecular Embryology*
12:30-13:00 Pitsouli Chrysoula: *Drosophila Development and Homeostasis*
13:00-13:30 Chartosia Niki: *Marine Ecology*
- 13:30-15:00 LUNCH Break & **Poster Session A** (LABs of Apidianakis, Georgiades, Pitsouli, Promponas, Yianna Samuel, Niki)
- 15:00-15:30 Georgiades Pantelis: *Embryology/Developmental Biology & Stem Cells*
15:30-16:00 Deltas Constantinos: *Molecular and Medical Genetics*
16:00-16:30 Apidianakis Yiorgos: *Host-Microbe-Diet Interactions and Carcinogenesis*
16:30-17:30 Visitor Speaker: Nektarios Tavernarakis
17:30-18:00 Discussion with the Visitor Speaker
- 18:00-19:30 Beer hour & **Poster Session B** (LABs of Kirschel, Kostrikis, Santama, Sfenthourakis, Skourides, Strati)
- 20:00- DINNER (Sawa – Lebanese restaurant, Klimentos 31, Nicosia 1061, Cyprus)

Wednesday May 31st, 2017 [Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation]

- 10:00-10:30 Breakfast Coffee-Tea-Refreshments
- 10:30-10:45 Strati LAB: *Tumor Viruses and Cancer* (1 talk)
10:45-10:15 Skourides LAB: *Cell and Developmental Biology* (2 talks)
10:15-10:45 Sfenthourakis LAB: *Biodiversity Laboratory* (2 talks)
11:45-12:00 Santama LAB: *Molecular Biology and Biochemistry Laboratory* (1 postdoc)
- 12:00-12:30 Coffee-Tea-Refreshments
- 12:30-13:00 Kirschel LAB: *Behavioural Ecology and Evolution* (2 talks)
13:00-13:15 Kirmizis LAB: *Epigenetic Gene Regulation* (1 talk)
- 13:15-15:00 LUNCH Break & BRAINSTORMING: Discussing academic issues/concerns
- 15:00-15:30 Deltas LAB: *Molecular and Medical Genetics* (2 talks)
15:30-15:45 Constantinou LAB: *Cancer Biology and Chemoprevention* (1 postdoc)
15:45-16:15 Pitsouli LAB: *Drosophila Development and Homeostasis* (2 talks)
16:15-16:45 Apidianakis LAB: *Host-Microbe-Diet Interactions & Carcinogenesis* (2 talks)
- 17:00-17:30 Beer & **Oral & Poster** presentation AWARDS (1st, 2nd & 3rd in each category)

ALL TALKS SHOULD BE IN ENGLISH!

It is highly recommended that supervisors themselves give the talks of the first day. These talks aim to be motivational and should be timed to be **25 min long**, followed by 5 min of questions.

Second day student talks should be timed to be **12 min long**, followed by 3 min of questions in total. Up to 2 such talks per lab. *Each talk needs to be 12 min long to be considered for a talk award.* **Please send your talks (ppt files) to Mike (gmichali@ucy.ac.cy) by Monday 10am on May 29.**

Poster arrangements: Up to 2 posters per lab, designed to be **110cm high x 80cm wide**.

These will be posted during or before lunch time for session A and during or before beer hour for session B. **Make your own printing arrangements & bring your own tape or double stick tape for mounting on laminated wood.**

Student Awards

All awards will be accompanied by a pertinent certificate, signed by the evaluation committee.

1st Oral (up to) 1,000 Euros for Conference Attendance.

2nd Oral (up to) 500 Euros for Conference Attendance.

3rd Oral 150 Euros in Scientific Books*

1st Poster 300 Euros in Scientific Books*

2nd Poster 150 Euros in Scientific Books*

3rd Poster 75 Euros in Scientific Books*

* provided by *Galanis Lab Supplies* through <http://www.academicbooks.gr>

Awards for oral presentations will be based on the following academic criteria:

TALKS

a) Background and significance [1-10 points]

b) Ability to excite/connect with the audience [1-10 points]

d) Response to questions [1-10 points]

(speakers should reveal the suitability of their work for a presentation at an international conference).

POSTERS

a) Background and significance [1-10 points]

b) Artistic output [1-10 points]

c) Clarity of presentation [1-10 points]

(presenters should respond to committee's questions)

Profs. Sfendourakis, Strati and Apidianakis will evaluate and rank the pertinent oral and all poster presentations during the retreat.