

## Department of Biological Sciences Retreat Program

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**Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 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 31<sup>st</sup>, 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 (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Oral** (up to) 1,000 Euros for Conference Attendance.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Oral** (up to) 500 Euros for Conference Attendance.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Oral** 150 Euros in Scientific Books\*

**1<sup>st</sup> Poster** 300 Euros in Scientific Books\*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Poster** 150 Euros in Scientific Books\*

**3<sup>rd</sup> 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.