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## ISRAELI SOCIETY OF EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY CONFERENCE

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

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The David Lopatie Conference Centre			
8:30	Morning coffee + snacks		
9:00	Opening remarks Tzachi Pilpel, Weizmann Institute of Science		
9:30	Plenary 1   Chair: Einat Hazkani-Covo Maitreya Dunham   University of Washington Watching yeast genome evolution in real time in the brewery		
10:15	Break		
	The David Lopatie Conference Centre	Room 2, Botnar Auditorium Centre	
	MOLECULAR EVOLUTION & PHYLOGENY   Chair: Tal Pupko	ORGANISMAL EVOLUTION   Chair: Ariel Chipman	
10:45	Erez Levanon   Bar llan University  Title: Evolution of RNA editing and Evolution by RNA editing	Ally Harari   The Volcani Center Alternative mating tactics in a moth	
11:10	Chiann-Ling Cindy Yeh   University of Washington High-throughput functional analysis of natural genetic variation in yeast	<b>Eran Tauber</b>   University of Haifa Genomic analysis of wild populations of Drosophila reveals adaptive polymorphism in circadian clock genes	
11:25	<b>Einat Hazkani-Covo I</b> The Open University of Israel Protein innovation through template switching in the Saccharomyces cerevisiae lineage	Mark Shein-Idelson   Tel Aviv University Two-state sleep and its modulation by temperature in the lizard Stellagama stellio	
11:40	Coffee break	Coffee break	
12:05	Adi Livnat I University of Haifa  De novo mutation rates at the single-mutation resolution in a human HBB gene-region associated with adaptation and genetic disease	<b>Arbel Harpak</b>   University of Texas at Austin Concerted evolution reveals the exact substitutions that allowed Leptodactylus frogs to prey on toxic toads	
12:20	Yael Admoni   The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Functional characterization of a plant-like HYL1 homolog in the cnidarian Nematostella vectensis indicates a conserved involvement in microRNA biogenesis	Yoni Savir   Technion - Israel Institute of Technology Determine the constraints on the evolution of replicative aging	
12:35	<b>Itamar Caspi</b>   Tel Aviv University Inferring viral mutation rates & fitness effects using simulation-based inference and neural networks	Smadar Ben-Tabou de-Leon   University of Haifa The evolution of biomineralization gene regulatory networks through the co-option of organic scaffold forming networks	
12:50	12:50 Poster Session + Lunch Break The David Lopatie Conference Centre		
14:00	<b>Yuval Tabach</b> I The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Co-evolution based machine-learning for predicting functional interactions between human genes	Amir Sapir   University of Haifa Horizontal pathway transfer facilitates an unexpected re-acquisition of sterol synthesis during the evolution of insects	
14:15	Shani Levy   University of Haifa Evolutionary conservation of cnidarian cell type programs revealed by single-cell genomics	Shabtai Barash   Weizmann Institute of Science  Open issues in the evolution of vision and eye movements in primates and humans, emphasizing night vision	
14:30	Break	Break	
	EVOLUTIONARY THEORY   Chair: Lilach Hadany	GENOME EVOLUTION   chair: Naama Barkai	
14:50	Yoav Ram   Tel Aviv University Self-Replicating Artificial Neural Networks Give Rise to Universal Evolutionary Dynamics	Schragi Schwartz   Weizmann Institute of Science Tuning ribosome adaptability and plasticity via post-transcriptional modifications	
15:15	Amir Ariel I Harvard University  Modeling the effects of epistasis and clonal interference on adaptation in rugged fitness landscapes	Naor Granik   Technion - Israel Institute of Technology Disorder Propensity of Proteins is a Continuum and is Under Negative Selection	
15:30	Doron Lancet   Weizmann Institute of Science The first evolving entities may have been nanoscopic lipid micelles	<b>Uri Hershberg</b>   University of Haifa Serine substitutions are linked to codon usage and differ for variable and conserved protein regions	
15:45	Coffee break	Coffee break	
	EVOLUTIONARY THEORY   Chair: Lilach Hadany	BEHAVIOR AND ECOLOGY - 1   Chair: Oren Kolodny	
16:10	<b>Tamar Friedlander</b> I The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Fitness landscape analysis reveals that the wild type allele is sub-optimal and mutationally robust	Arnon Lotem   Tel Aviv University A role for ecologically-tuned chunking in the evolution of advanced cognition demonstrated by modelling the cleaner fish market problem	
16:25	Keith Harris   The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Gene swamping as a fail-safe strategy in gene drive deployment	Shirli Bar-David   Ben-Gurion University of the Negev Conservation genomics in species reintroductions: the Asiatic wild ass Equus hemionus in Israel	
16:40	Gabriela Lobinska I Weizmann Institute of Science Should we worry about the evolutionary safety of anti-COVID-19 mutagenic drugs?	<b>Liran Sagi</b> I Ben-Gurion University of the Negev Demographic separation in populations of Desert Chameleons that live in spatial overlap	
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17:10	Plenary 2   Chair: Viviane Slon		







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## Thursday, March 10, 2022

**The David Lopatie Conference Centre** 

9:00	Morning coffee	
9:30	Plenary 3   Chair: Gili Greenbaum  Dmitri Petrov   Stanford University  Towards building Genotype-Phenotype-Fitness Maps of Evolutionary Adaptation	
10:15	Break	
HUMAN EVOLUTION   Chair: David Gokhman		
10:40	Liran Carmel I The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Ancient DNA methylation beyond bones	
11:05	Gil Amitai   Weizmann Institute of Science A central human antiviral immune pathway evolved from a bacterial anti-phage defense system	
11:20	Coffee break	
BEHAVIOR AND ECOLOGY 2   Chair: Oren Kolodny		
11:45	Michal Gruntman   Tel Aviv University Biotic interactions and metal hyperaccumulation in plants	
12:10	<b>Moran Gershoni</b> I The Volcani Institute  Transgenerational heat stress effects in dairy cattle associated with broad phenotypic impact and reduced selection efficiency: a study of four consecutive generations	
12:25	Nittay Meroz   The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Community composition of microbial microcosms follows simple assembly rules at evolutionary timescales	
12:40	Poster Session + Lunch Break	
MICROBIAL EVOLUTION   Chair: Avihu Yona		
13:40	Natalie Balaban I Hebrew University of Jerusalem Cells under acute stress: causes and consequences of the disrupted state	
14:05	Avihu Yona I The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Rapid evolution of de novo oxalate metabolism in human gut E. coli isolates	
14:20	Sophie Katz   Technion - Israel Institute of Technology Population level genetic memory of prior metabolic adaptation in E. coli	
LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD   Chair: Ariel Chipman		
14:35	Ariel Novoplansky I Ben-Gurion University of the Negev The interplay between bet-hedging and phenotypic plasticity Lifetime achievement for <b>Dan Cohen</b> , The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Award presented by Ariel Novoplansky	
15:05	Coffee Break	
HOST-ASSOCIATED MICROBES AND PATHOGENS   Chair: Judith Berman		
15:35	Osnat Gillor I Ben Gurion University of the Negev  All in one: the microbiome of a rootless plant	
15:55	Judith Berman   Tel Aviv University Aneuploidy as a rapid mechanism of adaptation to antifungal drugs	
16:20	Sarit Avrani   University of Haifa The tradeoff between resistance to phages and nitrogen fixation in bloom-forming cyanobacteria	
16:35	Adi Millman I Weizmann Institute of Science  Bacterial retrons function in anti-phage defense and show conceptual similarities to plant immunity	
16:50	Society meeting + Poster and Talk prizes Chair: Lilach Hadany	
17:05	End	

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