

MicroRNA Symposium

Decoding MicroRNA Mysteries in Health and Disease

September 23-24, 2021

Virtual symposium hosted at the University of Illinois at Chicago, USA

Speakers

Frank Slack, Harvard Medical School

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Richard Carthew, Northwestern University, USA

Dirk Dittmer, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Kannanganattu Prasanth, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Larissa Nonn, University of Illinois at Chicago

Himanshu Kumar, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research

Lukas Jeker, University of Basel

Andrea Kasinski, Purdue University

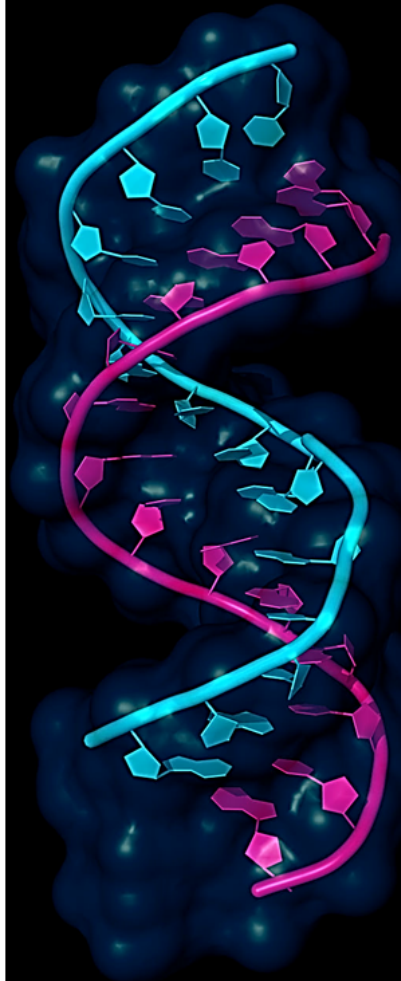
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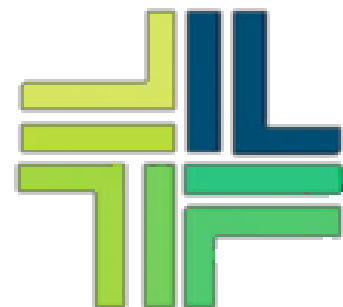
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PROGRAM

Thursday September 23rd, 2021 (8.45 AM – 4.00 PM Central Time)

Welcome Remarks

8.45 AM – 9.00 AM

Afsar Naqvi, *University of Illinois at Chicago, USA*
Lyndon Cooper, *University of Illinois at Chicago, USA*

Session 1

9.00 AM – 10.00 AM

Frank Slack, *Harvard Medical School*
Keynote Speaker
“[Toward personalized microRNA therapeutics](#)”

10.00 AM – 11.00 AM

Roopa Biswas, *Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, USA*
“[MicroRNA-155: A tale of two diseases](#)”

11.00 AM – 11.45 AM

Andrea Kasinski, *Purdue University, USA*
“[Overcoming the bottleneck in delivery of microRNAs via direct ligand conjugation](#)”

11.45 AM – 12.15 PM

Lyndon Cooper, *University of Illinois at Chicago, USA*
“[Macrophage exosome-mediated control of bone regeneration](#)”

12.15 PM – 12.45 PM

Break

Session 2

12.45 PM – 1.45 PM

Richard Carthew, *Northwestern University, USA*
“[MicroRNA interactions with metabolism: A two-way street](#)”

1.45 PM – 2.30 PM

Larissa Nonn, *University of Illinois at Chicago, USA*
“[MicroRNAs and prostate cancer: Biomarkers and mediators of disease](#)”

2.30 PM – 3.15 PM

Kannanganattu Prasanth, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA*
“[Role of ncRNAs in cell cycle progression and cancer](#)”

Short Talks

3.15 PM – 3.30 PM

Jaeil Han, *UT Southwestern Medical Center, USA*

“A ubiquitin ligase mediates target-directed microRNA decay independently of tailing and trimming”

3.30 PM – 3.45 PM

Melanie Winkle, *M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Texas State University, USA*

“Anti-miR-93-5p therapy prolongs sepsis survival by restoring the peripheral immune response”

3.45 PM – 4.00 PM

Discussion and Session Closing

Friday, September 24th, 2021 (8.45 AM– 4.00 PM)

Session 1

- 9.00 AM – 10.00 AM **Dirk Dittmer**, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA*
“Exosomes carry oncogenic miRNAs in viral cancers”
- 10.00 AM – 10.45 AM **Meaghan Hancock**, *Oregon Health & Science University, USA*
“HCMV miRNA targets reveal signaling pathways important for latency and reactivation in CD34+ hematopoietic progenitor cells”
- 10.45 AM – 11.30 AM **Tom Diekwisch**, *Texas A&M University, USA*
“MicroRNAs in Periodontal Homeostasis and Disease”
- 11.30 AM – 12.15 AM **Sriram Ravindran**, *University of Illinois at Chicago, USA*
“Engineered mesenchymal stem cell derived exosomes for bone repair: Role of exosomal miRNA”
- 12.15 PM – 12.45 PM Break**

Session 2

- 12.45 PM – 1.45 PM **Himanshu Kumar**, *Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), India*
“Can miRNA regulator of natural immunity flip the flu?”
- 1.45 PM – 2.30 PM **Afsar Naqvi**, *University of Illinois at Chicago, USA*
“Immunomodulatory Role of Human Herpesvirus-Encoded MicroRNA in Oral Diseases”
- 2.30 PM – 3.15 PM **Lukas Jeker**, *University of Basel, Switzerland*
“The miR-17-92 cluster is a central mediator of T cell activation/costimulation”
- 3.15 PM – 3.55 PM **Mohd Wasim Nasser**, *University of Nebraska Medical Center, USA*
“MicroRNA-1 regulates small cell lung cancer metastasis through chemokine receptor CXCR4”
- 3.55 PM – 4.00 PM **Concluding Remarks (Afsar Naqvi & Lyndon Cooper)**