

*Mobile Genetic Elements*

*August 31 - September 2, 2017*

*Woods Hole, MA, USA*



*Organizers:*

*Bill Reznikoff (MBL & U of Wisconsin)*

*Phoebe Rice (University of Chicago)*

*Irina Arkhipova (MBL)*

## Mobile Genetic Elements 2017 – Meeting Schedule

All talks are held in the Meigs Room, Swope Building.

### Thursday, August 31, 2017

- 2:00 PM** Check-in at Swope Conference Center, registration
- 2:00 PM** Pre-meeting tours (sign-up needed)
- 4:00 PM** Poster setup
- 5:00 PM** Business meeting (Meigs Room, by invitation)
- 6:00 PM** Dinner
- Session 1: Bill Reznikoff, Chair
- 7:00 PM** Welcome: Phoebe Rice (U. Chicago), Bill Reznikoff (MBL)
- 7:05 PM** *Transposable elements as catalysts of convergent molecular innovation*  
Invited speaker: **Cedric Feschotte** (Cornell University)
- 7:40 PM** *The impact of endogenous retroviruses on nuclear organization in mammalian cells*  
**Jane Skok** (New York University)
- 8:00 PM** *Replicative transposition in eukaryotes*  
Invited speaker: **Fred Dyda** (NIH/NIDDK)
- 8:30 PM** *A novel group of self-synthesizing mobile elements in eukaryotes*  
**Vladimir Kapitonov** (NIH/NCBI)
- 8:50 PM** Mixer (beer/wine/munchies, Meigs Room), poster previews

### Friday, September 1, 2017

- 7:30 AM** Breakfast
- Session 2: Phoebe Rice, Chair
- 9:00 AM** *Serine transposons*  
Invited speaker: **Reid Johnson** (UCLA)
- 9:30 AM** *Crystal structure of a new single stranded DNA binding protein encoded by staphylococcal cassette chromosome mobile element*  
**Ignacio Mir-Sanchis** (University of Chicago)

- 9:50 PM** *Recruitment of CRISPR-Cas systems by Tn7-like transposons*  
**Joe Peters** (Cornell University)
- 10:10 AM** Coffee break
- 10:40 AM** *Distributive conjugal transfer: A new paradigm for bacterial horizontal gene transfer in mycobacteria*  
Invited speaker: **Keith Derbyshire** (Wadsworth Center)
- 11:10 AM** *Domestication of a virus by Alphaproteobacteria*  
**Shannon Soucy** (Dartmouth College)
- 11:30 AM** *Protein splicing of a recombinase intein induced by ssDNA and DNA damage*  
**Christopher Lennon** (SUNY at Albany)
- 11:50 AM** Lunch
- 1:15 PM** MBL Marine Resources Center tour – meet in front of the MRC
- 4:00 PM** **Poster Session**, Swope Center, Second Floor
- 6:00 PM** Dinner
- Session 3: Cedric Feschotte, Chair
- 7:00 PM** *Epigenetic changes and somatic retrotransposition in cellular senescence and aging*  
Invited speaker: **John Sedivy** (Brown University)
- 7:30 PM** *Applying the TIDAL program to characterize Transposon Landscapes across aging Drosophila genomes*  
**Nelson Lau** (Boston University)
- 7:50 PM** *Adaptive evolution leads to cross-species incompatibility in the piRNA transposon silencing machinery*  
**Swapnil Parhad** (UMass Worcester)
- 8:10 AM** *Transposon expression signatures in the starlet sea anemone (Nematostella vectensis) during development*  
**Alex Evsikov** (University of South Florida)

**8:30 PM** *A new general mechanism of recognition and silencing of repetitive DNA*  
**Eugene Gladyshev** (Harvard University)

**8:50 PM** Free evening (at a local establishment)

**Saturday, September 2, 2017**

**7:30 AM** Breakfast; pick-up box lunches if ordered

Session 4: Irina Arkhipova, Chair

**8:50 AM** *The birth and demise of composite transposons: the case of resistance to the last resort antibiotic colistin*  
Invited speaker: **Michael Chandler** (CNRS/Georgetown U.)

**9:20 AM** *IS26-mediated genome rearrangement in *Klebsiella pneumoniae* during chronic infection*  
**Erik Snesrud** (Walter Reed Army Research Institute)

**9:40 AM** *Structural interrogation by SHAPE and molecular simulation of a group II intron RNP*  
**Xiaolong Dong** (SUNY at Albany)

**10:00 AM** Coffee break; Check-out

**10:30 AM** *Amino-methylation as an epigenetic mark in rotifers*  
**Fernando Rodriguez** (MBL)

**10:50 AM** *A non-canonical base-modifying methyltransferase of bacterial origin in a eukaryote*  
**Irina Yushenova** (MBL)

**11:10 AM** *From deep phylogeny to species complexes: Life history characteristics and the evolution of genomic repetitive elements in ferns*  
**Amanda Grusz** (University of Minnesota Duluth)

**11:30 AM** *Characterization of non-canonical LTR retrotransposons in plants*  
**Shujun Ou** (Michigan State University)

**11:50 AM** Concluding remarks: Irina Arkhipova

**12:00 PM** Lunch (if no box lunch selected)

**1:00 PM** End of meeting

## List of Poster Presenters

*A system for study of RecA-independent exchange applied to E. coli Rpn family paralogs*

**Elisabeth Raleigh** (NEB)

*The effects of post-transcriptional modifications on group II intron mobility*

**Justin Waldern, Olga Novikova** (SUNY at Albany)

*Mycobacterial intein in DnaB as stress-responsive element*

**Danielle Kelley** (SUNY at Albany)

*Genomic insights into the pattern of transposable element proliferation in Drosophila S2 cells*

**Shunhua Han** (University of Georgia)

*Exploring the mechanisms of LINE-1 inhibition by nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors*

**Jocelyn Newton** (Brown University)

*Drosophila PAF1 modulates PIWI/piRNA silencing of transposon targets*

**Reazur Rahman, Nachen Yang** (Brandeis U. & Boston U.)

*The Retrotransposon Storm: Endogenous retroviruses as infectious agents in the brain?*

**Richard Keegan** (Stony Brook University)

*A novel genetic reporter of gypsy retrotransposon replication*

**Yung-Heng Chang** (Stony Brook University)

*LTR\_retriever: a highly accurate and sensitive program for identification of LTR retrotransposons*

**Shujun Ou** (Michigan State University)

*Toward the next generation of repeats detection tools*

**Hani Girgis** (University of Tulsa)

*Functional properties of the unique N- and C-terminal domains in domesticated RVT reverse transcriptases*

**Irina Yushenova** (MBL)

*Identifying extrachromosomal intermediates of transposition in bdelloid rotifers*

Laura Swain, **Irina Yushenova, Irina Arkhipova** (U. of Chicago & MBL)

*Transposable element dynamics and nervous system reduction in a tiny parasitoid wasp*

**Brandon Lê, Fernando Rodriguez** (Brown University & MBL)

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