PROGRAM

Please note that these times are in Eastern Daylight Time.
The luncheon will be downstairs in the McKenna Dining Hall.
All talks will be held in the McKenna Auditorium.
The poster session will be held in rooms 100-104 and 112-114.

Friday, August 26, 2011

11:30 am - 1:00 pm  Luncheon at McKenna Hall
downstairs Dining Hall

1:00 pm - 1:10 pm  Welcome/ Introductory Comments
McKenna Auditorium

1:10 pm - 2:40 p.m.  Session 1: Cell and Developmental Biology I
1:10 pm -1:40 pm  Bill Sullivan, Ph.D. - Associate Professor of Pharmacology & Toxicology,
Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology at Indiana University School of Medicine
- Indianapolis
"An integrated stress response mediates Toxoplasma virulence and development"

1:40 pm -2:10 pm  Bibo Li, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor in the Department of Biological,
Geological, and Environmental Sciences at Cleveland State University
"Telomeres play an important role in antigenic variation in Trypanosoma brucei"

2:10 pm -2:40 pm  Hsin-Hung Huang, Ph.D. - Postdoctoral Fellow in the Department of
Immunology & Microbiology at Rush University Medical Center
"Thioredoxin Glutathione Reductase from Schistosoma mansoni and Its Application to Drug
Discovery"

2:40 pm - 3:00 pm  Coffee Break
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  Session 2: Cell and Developmental Biology II
3:00 pm -3:30 pm Souvik Bhattacharjee, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at University of Notre Dame
“Endoplasmic Reticulum PI(3)P lipid binding in protein export by malaria parasites”

3:30 pm -4:00 pm Vern Carruthers, Ph.D. – Professor in the Department of Microbiology & Immunology at University of Michigan Medical School
"Toxoplasma internalizes host cytoplasm during replication; not so different from Plasmodium after all?"

4:00 pm -4:30 pm Chad Rappleye, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor of Microbiology, Assistant Professor of Microbial Infection and Immunity from the Ohio State University Medical Center
“Histoplasma extracellular defenses against host-derived oxidative stress”

4:30 pm -5:00 pm Christina Hull, Ph.D. - Associate Professor of Medical Microbiology and Immunology, Associate Professor of Biomolecular Chemistry at University of Wisconsin-Madison
“When Sex is Hazardous to Your Health: Pathogenesis of Cryptococcus Spores”

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  Poster Session
Appetizers provided. Cash bar.

7:00 pm  Dinner at the Morris Inn
(across street from McKenna)

Saturday, August 27, 2011

7:30 am  Morning coffee, tea, and breakfast at McKenna

8:00 am - 10:00 am  Session 3: Pathogen interactions with host
8:00 am - 8:30 am Edwin Michael, Ph.D. – Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at University of Notre Dame
“Ecological biocomplexity and the prospects for lymphatic filariasis elimination”

8:30 am - 9:00 am Robert Striker, M.D., Ph.D. - Associate Professor of Medicine, Infectious Diseases Section, Associate Professor of Medical Microbiology and Immunology at University of Wisconsin- Madison
“Flaviviral evolution and mosquito transmission”
9:00 am -9:30 am Conrad Epting, M.D. - Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Pathology at Northwestern University, Attending Physician Pediatric Critical Care at Children's Memorial Hospital
“Trypanosoma cruzi: Tissue Tropism and the Endothelial Interface”

9:30 am -10:00 am Nancy Keller, Ph.D. - Professor of Bacteriology, Medical Microbiology and Immunology at University of Wisconsin-Madison
“Lipid-mediated crosstalk governs Aspergillus/host interactions”

10:00 am - 10:20 am Coffee Break

10:20 am - 12:20 pm Session 4: Immunobiology
10:20 am -10:50 am Nicholas S. Geraci, MS - Graduate Student Researcher with Dr. McDowell in the Department of Biological Sciences at University of Notre Dame
“MicroRNA Expression in Human Phagocytes: the Leishmania Effect”

10:50 am -11:20 am Timothy Yoshino, Ph.D. - Professor of Parasitology and Director, Cellular and Molecular Parasitology Training Program at University of Wisconsin-Madison
“Immune interactions between larval schistosomes and their snail intermediate hosts.”

11:20 am -11:50 am Michal Olszewski, D.V.M, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine at University of Michigan Medical School & VA Ann Arbor Health System, Research Service
“Th1, Th2 and beyond; the role of Th-bias in pathogenesis of cryptococcal infections”

11:50 am -12:20 pm Brain Grimberg, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor of International Health at Case Western University
“P. knowlesi as a Tool to Inform how Fya/Fyb Polymorphism in Human Erythrocyte Duffy Antigen May Affect Susceptibility to Plasmodium vivax”

12:20 am - 12:30 pm Poster Prize Awards

12:30 pm Adjourn
Directions to Notre Dame

From the east/west: The University is located just south of the Indiana Toll road (Interstate 80/90). Exit Interstate 80/90 at exit 77 and turn right onto Indiana 933/US 31. Make a left at the 4th stoplight (Angela Boulevard). Make a left at the first stop light (Notre Dame Avenue). Visitor Parking is located on the right side of Notre Dame Ave about 200 yards from Angela.

From the north/south: Take US 31 north which becomes Indiana 933 just south of South Bend. Stay on Indiana 933 to Angela Boulevard which is the second stoplight north of the St. Joseph River. Turn right onto Angela Boulevard then left at the first stop light onto Notre Dame Avenue. Visitor Parking is located on the right side of Notre Dame Ave about 200 yards from Angela.

Parking and Directions to McKenna Hall

Notre Dame Conference Center guests are encouraged to park in the visitors lot shown with red highlight in the map below. Parking tokens are available at the McKenna Hall Information Desk (blue highlight). Please do not park in the lettered lots, as they are reserved for permit holders.
POSTERS

The poster session will begin at 5 pm on Friday, August 26. Please plan to put up your posters upon arriving and keep them up until the meeting adjourns at noon on Saturday, August 27. Poster easel dimensions are 4 ft x 6 ft (portrait). One easel can accommodate 2 posters (one on the front side and one on the back side). Easels will be set up in McKenna rooms 100-104 and 112-114. There will be prizes!

HOTEL INFORMATION

Make sure to book your room before August 12!
A block of rooms has been reserved at the rates quoted below.

Single queen that accommodates 1-2 adults for $58.50.
Double queen that accommodates 1-4 adults for $71.10.
Call 877-361-2512 and give them confirmation #59711709 for the MNID Block.

Microtel South Bend
222 Dixie Way South
South Bend, IN 46637

info about the hotel:
http://www.microtelinn.com/MicrotelInn/control/Booking/property_info?propertyId=32033&brandInfo=MT

directions:
From I-80/90 Toll road:
Exit 77 off I-80/90 Toll Road. Turn left onto IN-933/ Dixie Way South. The Microtel is .05 miles on the right side of the street.

From Notre Dame Visitors Parking:
Head south on Eddy street and take a right (west) on Angela Blvd. Turn right (north) on IN-933/ Dixie Way South. The Microtel is 1.4 miles on the right side of the street.

We cannot pay for travel and stay, but the rates are very reasonable. If they run out of rooms, we will work on other options.

GROUP DINNER AT THE MORRIS INN

We will have a group dinner across the street from McKenna at the Morris Inn. Please indicate on RSVP whether you will attend. We may have sufficient funds to subsidize a portion of the costs, depending on the response.