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on 2003 Archaea: Ecology, Metabolism and Molecular Biology

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The Gordon Research Conference (GRC) on 2003 Archaea: Ecology, Metabolism and Molecular Biology was held at Proctor Academy, Andover, NH from August 3-8, 2003. The Conference was well-attended with 150 participants (attendees list attached). The attendees represented the spectrum of endeavor in this field coming from academia, industry, and government laboratories, both U.S. and foreign scientists, senior researchers, young investigators, and students.

In designing the formal speakers program, emphasis was placed on current unpublished research and discussion of the future target areas in this field. There was a conscious effort to stimulate lively discussion about the key issues in the field today. Time for formal presentations was limited in the interest of group discussions. In order that more scientists could communicate their most recent results, poster presentation time was scheduled. Attached is a copy of the formal schedule and speaker program and the poster program. In addition to these formal interactions, "free time" was scheduled to allow informal discussions. Such discussions are fostering new collaborations and joint efforts in the field.

I want to personally thank you for your support of this Conference. As you know, in the interest of promoting the presentation of unpublished and frontier-breaking research, Gordon Research Conferences does not permit publication of meeting proceedings. If you wish any further details, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Dr. Richard F. Shand
2003 Conference Chair

ARCHAEA: ECOLOGY, METABOLISM & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Proctor Academy
Aug 3-8, 2003

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Archaea: Ecology, Metabolism & Molecular Biology

August 3-8, 2003
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SUNDAY

2:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Arrival and check-in
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND PHYSIOLOGY OF METHANOGENS
	Discussion Leader: John Reeve (The Ohio State University)
7:30 pm - 7:35 pm	Greg Ferry (Pennsylvania State University, University Park) Presentation of Keynote speaker: Gerhard Gottschalk
7:35 pm - 8:25 pm	Gerhard Gottschalk (Institute of Microbiology and Genetics, Göttingen) Keynote Address: "Studies on <i>Methanosarcina</i> , from Cytochromes to Genomes"
8:25 pm - 8:30 pm	Discussion
8:30 pm - 8:55 pm	John Leigh (University of Washington, Seattle). "Nitrogen Regulation in <i>Methanococcus maripaludis</i> : Genetic, Genomic, and in vitro Studies."
8:55 pm - 9:00 pm	Discussion
9:00 pm - 9:25 pm	Rob Gunsalus (University of California, Los Angeles) "Osmoregulation in the <i>Methanosarcina</i> "
9:25 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion
9:45 pm	Reception

MONDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	Photo
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	ARCHAEAL ECOLOGY AND DIVERSITY
	Discussion Leader: Karl Stetter (University of Regensburg)
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Ed DeLong (Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute) "Oceanic Archaea: Physiological Ecology and Genomics"
9:25 am - 9:30 am	Discussion
9:30 am - 9:55 am	Aharon Oren (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "The Halobacteriaceae (Archaea) and <i>Salinibacter</i> (Bacteria): Convergent Evolution toward Adaptation to Life at Saturating Salt Concentrations"
9:55 am - 10:00 am	Discussion
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Anna-Louise Reysenbach (Portland State University) "The Emerging View of Archaeal Diversity in High Temperature Ecosystems"
10:25 am - 10:30 am	Discussion
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Coffee Break
10:45 am - 11:10 am	Harald Engelhardt (Max Plank Institute of Biochemistry, Martinsried) "Studying Archaea by Electron Tomograph"
11:10 am - 11:15 am	Discussion
11:15 am - 11:40 am	Holly Simon (University of Wisconsin, Madison) "New Insights into the Biology of Mesophilic Soil and Root-Associated Crenarchaeota"
11:40 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:10 pm	Harald Huber (University of Regensburg) "The Novel Phylum "Nanoarchaeota": Insights into the Physiology, Molecular Biology and Distribution of a Unique Archaeal Group"
12:10 pm - 12:15 pm	Discussion

12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Summary and Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Free Time
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	POSTER SESSION I
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS
	Discussion Leader: Dieter Oesterhelt (Max Plank Institute for Biochemistry, Martinsried)
7:30 pm - 7:55 pm	Rolf Bernander (Uppsala University) "Functional Genomics of <i>Sulfolobus solfataricus</i> and <i>Sulfolobus acidocaldarius</i> "
7:55 pm - 8:00 pm	Discussion
8:00 pm - 8:25 pm	Nitin Baliga (Institute for Systems Biology, Seattle WA) "Systems Analysis of Purple Membrane Biogenesis in <i>Halobacterium</i> sp."
8:25 pm - 8:30 pm	Discussion
8:30 pm - 8:55 pm	Mike Adams (University of Georgia, Athens) "Functional Genomics of <i>Pyrococcus furiosus</i> "
8:55 pm - 9:00 pm	Discussion
9:00 pm - 9:25 pm	Greg Ferry (Pennsylvania State University) "Genomic Contributions towards Understanding the Major Pathway for Methanogenesis"
9:25 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

TUESDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	INSIGHTS INTO ENZYME STABILITY AND FUNCTION FROM STRUCTURAL STUDIES
	Discussion Leader: Michael Danson (University of Bath)
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Reinhard Sterner (University of Koeln) "Thermal Stability and Catalytic Activity of Enzymes from Amino Acid Biosynthesis"
9:25 am - 9:30 am	Discussion
9:30 am - 9:55 am	Rick Cavicchioli , University of New South Wales, Australia "Cold Adapted Enzymes"
9:55 am - 10:00 am	Discussion
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Joseph Zaccai (Institute of Structural Biology, CEA-CNRS) "Adaptation to Extreme Environments: Neutron Scattering Studies of Dynamics-Stability Relations in Archaeal Proteins"
10:25 am - 10:30 am	Discussion
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Coffee Break
10:45 am - 11:10 am	David Hough (University of Bath) "Structural Determinants of Enzyme Thermoactivity"
11:10 am - 11:15 am	Discussion
11:15 am - 11:40 am	Peter Schönheit (University of Kiel) "Unusual Pathways and Enzymes in Sugar Degradation of Hyperthermophilic Archaea"
11:40 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:10 pm	Marco Moracci , Institute of Protein Biochemistry - CNR, Naples, Italy "Engineering Structure and Function of Glycosyl Hydrolases from Hyperthermophiles"
12:10 pm - 12:15 pm	Discussion
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Summary and Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Free Time
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	POSTER SESSION II
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	TRANSLATION AND PROTEIN TRANSLOCATION

Discussion Leader: **Jerry Eichler** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel)

7:30 pm - 7:55 pm	Joe Krzycki (The Ohio State University) "Pyrrolysine, the Twenty-Second Genetically Encoded Amino Acid"
7:55 pm - 8:00 pm	Discussion
8:00 pm - 8:25 pm	Paola Londei (University of Rome) "Evolution of the Translation Apparatus: New Insights from the Archaea on the Conserved Features of Translation Initiation"
8:25 pm - 8:30 pm	Discussion
8:30 pm - 8:55 pm	Arina Omer (University of British Columbia) "Small, Methylation Guide RNPs in Archaea"
8:55 pm - 9:00 pm	Discussion
9:00 pm - 9:25 pm	Mecky Pohlschröder (University of Pennsylvania) "Protein Translocation Across Haloarchaeal Cytoplasmic Membranes"
9:25 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

WEDNESDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
TRANSCRIPTION AND GENE REGULATION	
	Discussion Leader: John van der Oost (Wageningen University)
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Frank Robb (Center of Marine Biotechnology, Baltimore, MD) "Adaptive Heat Shock Responses in <i>Pyrococcus</i> Species: Gene Regulation and Chaperonin Function"
9:25 am - 9:30 am	Discussion
9:30 am - 9:55 am	Michael Thomm (University of Regensburg) "Transcription and Regulation of Transcription in <i>Pyrococcus</i> "
9:55 am - 10:00 am	Discussion
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Kelly Bidle (Rider University) "Examination of Salinity-Mediated Gene Regulation in <i>Haloferax volcanii</i> "
10:25 am - 10:30 am	Discussion
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Coffee Break
10:45 am - 11:10 am	Mohamed Ouhammouch (University of California, San Diego) "An in vitro System for Positively Regulated Archaeal Transcription"
11:10 am - 11:15 am	Discussion
11:15 am - 11:40 am	Felicitas Pfeifer (Darmstadt University of Technology) "Interaction of the Two Regulatory Proteins GvpD and GvpE of <i>Haloferax mediterranei</i> "
11:40 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:10 pm	Ken Jarrell (Queen's University) "Structure and Genetics of Flagellation in <i>Methanococcus</i> "
12:10 pm - 12:15 pm	Discussion
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Summary and Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Free Time
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	POSTER SESSION III
6:00 pm	Dinner
ARCHAEAL GENOMES	
	Discussion Leader: Chuck Daniels (The Ohio State University)
7:30 pm - 7:55 pm	Shil DasSarma (Center of Marine Biotechnology, Baltimore, MD) "Comparative Genomics of Haloarchaea"
7:55 pm - 8:00 pm	Discussion
8:00 pm - 8:25 pm	Eugene Koonin (The National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD) "Potential Determinants of the Hyperthermophilic Phenotype Identified by Genome Comparison"
8:25 pm - 8:30 pm	Discussion
8:30 pm - 8:55 pm	Roger Garrett (University of Copenhagen)

8:55 pm - 9:00 pm	" <i>Sulfolobus</i> Genomes and their Evolution"
9:00 pm - 9:25 pm	Karl Stetter (University of Regensburg) "Predictions from the Genome Sequence of <i>N. equitans</i> : A Missing Link in Cell Evolution"
9:25 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion
THURSDAY	
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	REPLICATION, REPAIR AND RECOMBINATION
	Discussion Leader: Patrick Forterre (University of Paris - Sud)
9:00 am - 9:25 am	Nick Robinson (Cambridge University) "In vivo and in vitro Characterization of an Origin of Replication in <i>Sulfolobus solfataricus</i> "
9:25 am - 9:30 am	Discussion
9:30 am - 9:55 am	Zvi Kelman (University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute) "Biochemical analysis of the <i>Methanothermobacter thermautotrophicus</i> MCM complex"
9:55 am - 10:00 am	Discussion
10:00 am - 10:25 am	Christiane Elie (University of Paris - Sud) " <i>Sulfolobus</i> Rad50-Mre11 Complex and its Protein Partners"
10:25 am - 10:30 am	Discussion
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Coffee Break
10:45 am - 11:10 am	Yosi Ishino (Kyushu University) "Structure and Function of the Novel Endonuclease Involved in Replication-Coupled Repair in Archaea"
11:10 am - 11:15 am	Discussion
11:15 am - 11:40 am	Malcolm White (St. Andrew's University) "Archaeal nucleotide excision repair"
11:40 am - 11:45 am	Discussion
11:45 am - 12:10 pm	Thorsten Allers (University of Nottingham, UK) "Genetic Analysis of Homologous Recombination in the Archaea: DNA Double-Strand Break Repair and Gene Conversion in <i>Haloflexax volcanii</i> "
12:10 pm - 12:15 pm	Discussion
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Summary and Discussion
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Free Time
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Business Meeting
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	POSTER SESSION IV
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	GENETIC SYSTEMS, VIRUSES AND ARCHAEOGLOBUS
	Discussion Leader: Mike Dyall-Smith (University of Melbourne)
7:30 pm - 7:55 pm	Trish Hartzell , University of Idaho, Moscow "How does <i>Archaeoglobus</i> , an anaerobe, survive exposure to oxygen?"
7:55 pm - 8:00 pm	Discussion
8:00 pm - 8:25 pm	Bill Metcalf (University of Illinois) "Genetic Analysis of Methylotrophic Methanogenesis in <i>Methanosarcina acetivorans</i> "
8:25 pm - 8:30 pm	Discussion
8:30 pm - 8:55 pm	Paul Blum (University of Nebraska, Lincoln) "Gene Replacement and Functional Genomics in the Hyperthermophilic Archaeon <i>Sulfolobus solfataricus</i> "
8:55 pm - 9:00 pm	Discussion
9:00 pm - 9:25 pm	David Prangishvili (University of Regensburg) "Novel Viruses of Crenarchaeota"
9:25 pm - 9:30 pm	Discussion

FRIDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am Breakfast

9:00 am Departure

