Schedule of Activities

Thursday, April 8

3:00 to 6:00 p.m. **Registration**: Administration 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. **Dinner**: Crocker

8:00-10:00 p.m. Mixer, Merrill Hall

Friday, April 9

7:30-8:30 a.m	Breakfast, Crocker		
8:30-12:05	Session I: Cell Signaling and Development Chair: Meritxell Riquelme		
8:30	Neurospora Policy Committee	Welcome and announcements	
8:40	Andre Fleissner	Directed growth in Neurospora	
9:05	Oded Yarden	Two Neurospora crassa NDR kinases (DBF2 and COT1) perform distinct functions in regulating hyphal morphology	
9:30	Stephan Seiler	Regulation of Ndr kinase activity and function by interacting proteins and pathways	
9:55	Michael Freitag	Maintenance of Neurospora centromeres	
10:15	Coffee break		
10:40	Sara Wright	Characterization of the ric-8 gene in Neurospora crassa	
11:05	Barry Bowman	Where is calcium sequestered in hyphae, and how does it get there?	
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11:45			
12:05-2:00	Lunch, Crocker	Business meeting, presentation of Awards	

3:00-5:30 p.m.	Session II: Cell Biology and Morphogenesis Chair: Stephan Seiler	
3:00	Rosa Mourino	Microtubule plus end proteins in Neurospora crassa
3:25	Michael Watters	Growth rate dependent branching among mutants from the Neurospora knockout library
3:50	Meritxell Riquelme	The apical secretory apparatus of Neurospora crassa
4:15	Coffee break	
4:40	Nick Read	Cell biology of colony initiation in Neurospora crassa
5:05	Rick Collins	Towards experimental determination of the Neurospora mitochondrial proteome

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5:30 6:00-7:00 Dinner, Crocker Presenters should be in front of their posters: odd numbers 7-8pm, 7:00-10:00 Poster session I even numbers 8-9 pm Saturday, April 10 7:30-8:30 Breakfast, Crocker 8:30-12:05 Session III:Gene Regulation Chair: David Catcheside The DMM complex prevents spreading of DNA methylation from transposons Shinji Honda 8:35 to nearby genes in Neurospora crassa 9:00 David Rehard Ascus dominance in Neurospora 9:25 Rodolfo Aramayo Meiotic Silencing, Not Maple Syrup Urine Disease (MSUD) 9:50 Zhihong Xue Diverse small RNA biogenesis pathways in Neurospora 10:15 Coffee break 10:40 Frederick Bowring Efficient detection of rare recombination events Conidiation in Neurospora and evolution of asexual sporulation in filamentous 11:05 Dan Ebbole fungi PP-1 (Ste12) dependent transcription during germling fusion in Neurospora 11:30 Abby Leeder crassa

12:05-2:30 Lunch, Crocker

3:00 -6:00	Session IV: Light and Cir Chair: Yi Liu	rcadian Clock
3:00	Jay Dunlap	Genetic and Molecular Dissection of the Neurospora Clock: Genetics and Epigenetics
3:25	Luis Larrondo	Defining the basis for a high-throughput bioluminescence clock-screening in Neurospora
3:50	Michael Brunner	Molecular mechanism of light-adaptation of Neurospora
4:15	Coffee break	
4:40	Renato DePaula	Insights into circadian oscillator complexity
5:05	Luis Corrochano	A role for the Neurospora RCO-1/RCM-1 complex in the regulation by light of gene transcription
5:30	Suzanne Hunt	The role of VIVID in light and temperature responses of the Neurospora circadian system
6:00-7:30	Banquet, Crocker	
	Banquet Speech:	Dr. Richard L. Weiss
7:30-10:30	Poster session II	

Sunday, April 11

7:30-8:30 Breakfast

8:30-12:00 Session V:Evolution and Genomics Chair: Michael Freitag

8:35	Chris Ellison	Unexpected population structure in Neurospora crassa from the Caribbean Basin
9:00	Charles Hall	The development of genetics and genomics for analysis of quantitative traits in the model filamentous fungus, <i>Neurospora crassa</i>
9:25	Jason Stajich	Evolutionary genomics of Neurospora and other Sordariales
9:50	Jianping Sun	Biofuels: Systems analysis of plant cell wall degradation by the model filamentous fungus <i>Neurospora crassa</i>
10:15	Coffee Break	
10:40	Kathy Borkovich	Overview of Program Project grant on Systems Biology of Fungi
	Kathy Borkovich	Project 1
	James Galagan	Project 2
	Michael Freitag	Project 3
12:00	Lunch and Checkout	