

Franklin Institute Museum of Science

Pepper Hall & Franklin Theater 12 PM - 5 PM



AGENDA

12:00 Registration, Lunch & Poster Session

1:30 Introductory Remarks Ken Zaret, IRM Director

New Faculty Talks

- **1:40** Molecular roadmaps of brain development, lineage, and signaling *Bushra Rai*
- **1:50** Circadian rhythms and cell maturation *Juan Alvarez*
- 2:00 Investigating the role of retrotransposon reactivation during preimplantation development

 Andrew Modzelewski

IRM Faculty Talks I

- **2:10** Live cell imaging of allele-specific expression in immune cells *Montserrat Anguera*
- 2:22 Restoring cerebral cortex function after traumatic brain injury using brain organoid transplantation

 Stewart Anderson
- 2:34 The IRM education pipeline, community engagement at the bench and beyond

 Jamie Shuda

Trainee Lightning Talks

2:46 William Benman (Bugaj Lab)
Justin Burrell (Cullen Lab)
Irene Chiesa (Gottardi Lab)
Joel Rurik (Epstein Lab)
Beth Harvey (Granato Lab)
Joanna Wong (Vaughan Lab)

Open Forum

2:56 Chris Yarosh, IRM Associate Director for Communications & Operations

AGENDA (CONT.)

3:06	Break
Collaborative "Pitches"	
3:26	Development of a novel method for high-quality single cell RNA-seq of human (DRG) neurons Wenqin Luo
3:36	Optical and thermal control of signaling in cells and animals Lukasz Bugaj
3:46	Enhancing regeneration of the corneal endothelium to treat vision loss Pantelis Rompolas
3:56	Introducing the Penn Center for Genome Integrity Roger Greenberg
4:06	If sex as a variable matters why doesn't age? Thomas Schaer
4:16	Current technologies from the iPSC Core Wenli Yang
IRM Faculty Talks II	
4:26	Expand hematopoietic stem cells and improve stem cell-based therapy Wei Tong
4:38	Mechanobiology from matrix to nucleus Dennis Discher
4:50	Closing Remarks

Chris Lengner, IRM Associate Director

Happy hour

5:00

^{*}Please note that all talks will take place in the Franklin Theater (1st Floor) and lunch/happy hour will take place in Pepper Hall & the Patent Library (3rd Floor).

