

Program

As at 11 July 2024

Program subject to change without notice

Monday 15 July 2024	
0800-1800	Registration Open (Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
0900-1300	Pre-Meeting Workshop: Masterclass in Communication
	Pre-registration is required
1515-1730	Welcome Address & Keynote Presentations
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chair	A/Prof Jeremy Barr
1515-1600	Opening Remarks including Welcome to Country
	A/Prof Jeremy Barr
1600-1645	Keynote Speaker Presentation: Bacteriophage and Bacteria: Dance Partners in an Evolutionary SAMBA
	Prof Colin Hill
1645-1730	Keynote Speaker Presentation: Intriguing, Novel Phenomena in Extrachromosomal Elements
	Prof Jillian Banfield
1730-1930	Welcome Reception (City Terrace, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)

Tuesday 16 July 2024	
0730-1800	Registration Open (Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
0830-1000	Virus-Host Interaction Session 1
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	Dr Aleksandra Petrovic and Prof Peter Fineran
0830-0900	Invited Speaker Presentation: Assembly and Function of the Phage Nucleus During Phage Replication Prof Joe Pogliano
0900-0920	Gut Bacteroidaceae Prophages are Transcriptionally Active During Lysogeny and have the Genetic Potential to Alter their Bacterial Host Metabolism <i>Ms Laura Avallaneda-Franco</i>
0920-0940	Pathogen Genomic Surveillance as a Scalable Framework for Precision Phage Therapy Dr Balint Kintses
0940-1000	Molecular Mechanisms Bacteriophage N4 Uses to Decide: Should I Stay, or Should I Go? Dr Jolene Ramsey
1000-1030	Morning Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)



1030-1200	Virus Structure & Function		
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre		
Chairs	Dr Matthias Fischer and Prof Trevor Lithgow		
1030-1050	Identification of a Highly Selective Protein Import Pa	athway in Nucleus-Forming Phage	
	Mr Chase Morgan		
1050-1110	Mycobacteriophage Structure Reveals the Molecular	Architecture of Siphoviridae at the Amino Acid Level	
	and its Host Interaction for Viral Genome Ejection		
	A/Prof Joseph Ho		
1110-1120	Structures of Head Assembly Intermediates of Staphy	vlococcus Aureus Phage PHI812	
	Mrs Maryna Zlatohurska		
1120-1130	Phage Infection in Bacterium and its Regulation: Unc	derstanding the Phage-Host Population Dynamics	
	Prof Vikas Jain		
1130-1200	Invited Speaker Presentation: Open Sesame! - Bacter	riophage Infection Initiation at the Gram-Negative	
	Envelope		
	Prof Stephanie Barbirz		
1200-1300	Lunch (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Con		
1300-1430	Poster Session 1 (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level,	Cairns Convention Centre)	
1430-1600	ECR Session 1	ECR Session 2	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level,	M2&3, Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
	Cairns Convention Centre		
Chairs	Dr Renee Ng and Ms Lejla Kartal	Ms Pamela Tsoumbris and Ms Becky Li	
1430-1445	Prophages Induced During Chronic Bordetella	Genetic Engineering of Clostridioides Difficle Phages	
	Bronchialis Infection Triggered Crossreactive	Mr Andrew Umansky	
	Immunity Against a Therapeutic Phage Hindering		
	Clinical Effectiveness		
	Dr Fernando Gordillo Altamirano		
1445-1500	Electron Cryotomography of Enveloped Phage	A Sea of Zombies! A Mystery of Ribosome-Deprived	
	(ENVB) Infection Cycle Reveals Signatures of	SAR11 Cells Caused by Phage Infection	
	Mammalian/Eukaryotic Viral Replication Pathways	Dr Jan Brüwer	
	Ms Somavally Dalvi		
1500-1515	Better Together: Predicting the Oligomeric State of	Genome-Resolved Metagenomics Reveals Novel	
	Bacteriophage Proteins	Insights into Archaeaviruses in a Subtropical Estuary	
	Miss Susanna Grigson	Ms Apoorva Prabhu	
1515-1530	Leveraging Long Reads to Study the Human Gut	Beyond Standard Models: Rethinking Bacterial L-	
	Phageome	Forms in Phage Therapy Development	
	Ms Angela Hickey	Dr Aleksandra Petrovic Fabijan	
1530-1545	New Antiviral Defences Are Genetically Embedded	Viral Proteins Activate PARIS-Mediated tRNA	
	Within Prokaryotic Immune Systems	Degradation and Viral tRNAs Rescue Infection	
	Mr Leighton Payne	Dr Artem Isaev	
1545-1600	Long-Read Sequencing Reveals Extensive Capsid-	A Novel Mutation in Gale Mediates Phage Resistance	
	Mediated Horizontal Gene Transfer in the Human	in Klebsiella Pneumoniae by Preventing Phage	
	Gut	Adsorption	
	Ms Tatiana Borodovich	Ms Braira Wahid	
1600-1630	Afternoon Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Ca	airns Convention Centre)	



1630-1800	Bioinformatics and New Research Avenues
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	Prof Ruby Lin and Dr Evelien Adriaenssens
1630-1650	Phables Enables the Analysis of Complete Bacteriophage Genomes from Metagenomes Dr Vijini Mallawaarachchi
1650-1710	The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: What's Keeping Me up at Night in Viromics Dr Ryan Cook
1710-1730	MetaCerberus: Distributed Highly Parallelised Scalable HMM-Based Implementation for Robust Functional Annotation Across the Tree of Life Dr Richard Allen White III
1730-1800	Invited Speaker Presentation: Expanding Our Viral Bioinformatics Frontiers Prof Rob Edwards
1800-1900	Early Career Researchers Session (M2&3, Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre)

Wednesday 1	Wednesday 17 July 2024	
0800-1800	Registration Open (Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)	
0830-1000	Viral Ecology	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chairs	A/Prof Steve Petrovski and Dr Liu Ying	
0830-0900	Invited Speaker Presentation: Hotspot of cyanophage infection between two gyres in the North Pacific Ocean Prof Debbie Lindell	
0900-0920	Old Tools, New Applications: Use of Environmental Bacteriophages for Surveillance of Drug Resistant Typhoid Infections Dr Yogesh Hooda	
0920-0940	Virus-Host Relationships Across Hydrocarbon-Impacted Marine Sediments Ms Sarah P. Esser	
0940-1000	Low Infection Rate and Heterogeneous Virus-Host Interaction Among Freshwater Bacteria Revealed at the Single-Cell Resolution Dr Yusuke Okazaki	
1000-1030	Morning Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)	
1030-1200	Archaeal & Eukaryotic Viruses	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chairs	Dr Fabai Wu and Prof Stefanie Barbirz	
1030-1050	Host-Virus-Virophage Interactions in Marine Chlorarachniophyte Algae Dr Matthias Fischer	
1050-1110	Induction of an Integrated Giant Virus in a Model Green Alga Miss Paula Garcia	
1110-1130	Changing Tides: Fitness Costs of HFPV-1 Chronic Infection in the Haloarchaeon Haloferax Volcanii Dr Tomas Alarcon Schumacher	
1130-1200	Invited Speaker Presentation: Molecular Insights into Enveloped Virus Budding in Archaea Dr Ying Liu	
1200-1205	Group Photo (Location TBC)	
1205-1300	Lunch (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)	



1300-1325	ISVM General Assembly	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
1325-1330	Session Changeover	
1330-1500	Bacterial Immune Systems	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chair	Dr Gregory German and Prof Robert Edwards	
1330-1400	Invited Speaker Presentation: Phage Counter-Defence Strategies and their Regulation Prof Peter Fineran and Dr Nils Birkholz	
1400-1420	De Novo Discovery of Antiviral Mechanisms Using Adam Prof Gipsi Lima-Mendez	
1420-1440	A Gift from Asgard: The Prokaryotic Origin of Eukaryotic Immune Mechanisms Prof Pedro Leão	
1440-1500	Discovery of Bacterial Immune System Family that Specifically Inhibits Nucleus-Forming Jumbo Phages Dr Yuping Li	
1500-1530	Afternoon Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)	
1530-1630	This Week in Virology - Live Recording	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chair	Dr Jolene Ramsey	
1530-1630	Live recording of This Week in Virology podcast Prof Vincent Racaniello (presenting virtually) with Prof Rob Lavigne, Prof Krystyna Dabrowska and Dr Jolene Ramsey	
1630-1800	Virus-Host Interaction Session 2	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chairs	Dr Sandra Morales and A/Prof Vivek Mutalik	
1630-1650	Sequential Membrane- and Protein-Bound Organelles Compartmentalise Genomes During Phage Infection Ms Emily Armbruster	
1650-1710	Deep Viral Metagenomics Reveals Dynamic Changes in Mobile Element Interaction Networks Following Intestinal Microbiota Transplantation <i>Mr Ivan Liachko</i>	
1710-1730	Megaphage Isolates Reveal the Biology of the Largest Phages Indicating Some to Carry Putatively Functional Crispr Systems Dr Elina Laanto	
1730-1800	Invited Speaker Presentation: Infection determinants of CrAss-like phages A/Prof Andrew Hryckowian	
1800-1930	Poster Session 2 (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)	



Thursday 18 July 2024	
0800-1800	Registration Open (Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
0830-1000	Phage Therapy Session 1 - Research
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	A/Prof Anthony Kicic and Dr Tobi Nagel
0830-0850	Focus on the Phage Production Pipeline of PhagoCHUV - the Lausanne University Hospital Phage Therapy Program Dr Gregory Resch
0850-0910	Entelli-02: Standardised Front-Line Phage Product for Nosocomial Enterobacter Cloacae Complex Infections Dr Dinesh Subedi
0910-0930	Navigating the Hepatic Highway: The Role of Liver Sinusoidal Cells in the Rapid Clearnace of Blood-Borne Phage K1F <i>Dr Anett Kristin Larsen</i>
0930-0945	On-Demand, Personalised, GMP Phage Therapy in the United States Dr Austen Terwilliger
0945-1000	Overcoming Lipopolysaccharide Modification as the Key for Increased Biofilm-Control of a Pbunavirus After Adaptive Evolution on P. Aeruginosa Biofilms <i>Ms Luciana Meneses</i>
1000-1030	Morning Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
1030-1200	Phage Therapy Session 2 - Clinical Application
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	Dr Stephanie Lynch and Prof Graham Hatfull
1030-1100	Invited Speaker Presentation: Phage Australia - Current Status and Next Steps Prof Jon Iredell
1100-1120	Duofag®: Human Clinical Trial <i>Ms Dana Štveráková</i>
1120-1140	Advancing Bacteriophage Therapy from Discovery to Clinical Trials Dr Steven Branston
1140-1150	Retrospective Review of a Bacteriophage Treatment at the Eliava Phage Therapy Center (2018-2023) Dr Mzia Kutateladze
1150-1200	Interim Report on the Standardised Treatment and Monitoring Protocol for Adult and Paediatric Patients Receiving Bacteriophage Therapy (STAMP) Dr Holly Sinclair
1200-1300	Lunch (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
1300-1430	Poster Session 3 (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)



1430-1600	ESGNTA Session - When you come to a fork in the road, take it: The critical juncture of phage therapy	
	clinical application	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chair	Prof Ran Nir-Paz	
1430-1440	Current Few (Out of Too Many) Crossroads in Phage Therapy Prof Ran Nir-Paz	
1440-1450	Phage Susceptibility Testing: A Clinical Microbiology Perspective Dr David Pride	
1450-1500	Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls Information for Phage Therapy Products in the USA Dr Susan Lehman	
1500-1510	Bacteriophage Therapies and the Australian Regulatory Framework Ms Anthea Bates	
1510-1520	Clinical Applications of Phage Therapy Ms Gina Suh	
1520-1600	Panel Discussion on Clinical Phage Therapy Moderated by Prof Ran Nir-Paz with panelists Dr David Pride, Dr Susan Lehman, Ms Anthea Bates, Ms Gina Suh, Prof Jon Iredell and Dr Greg Resch	
1600-1630	Afternoon Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)	
1630-1800	Microbiome & Practical Applications of Virology	
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre	
Chairs	Dr Lucy Furfaro and Dr Ann Gregory	
1630-1650	Mother-Infant Gut Virome: Insights from 300 Lifelines Next Families Ms Sanzhima Garmaeva	
1650-1710	Viroid-Like Colonists of Human Microbiomes Mr Ivan Zheludev	
1710-1730	Expanding the Diversity of the Human Gut Virome for Biomedical Research Through CGVR Prof Lianmin Chen	
1730-1800	Invited Speaker Presentation: Leveraging Phage-Bacterial Coexistence in the Gut Microbiome A/Prof Bryan Hsu (presenting virtually)	
1900-2300	Networking Dinner (Rainforestation Nature Park, Kuranda)	



Friday 19 July 2024	
0800-1430	Registration Open (Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
0830-1000	Virus Evolution
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	Dr Heather Hendrickson and Prof Debbie Lindell
0830-0900	Invited Speaker Presentation: Viral Predation Guilds of the Human Gut
0030-0700	Dr Ann Gregory
0900-0920	Pathogenicity Islands Uncouple Prophages from Intra-Host Competition to Promote their Reproductive Success During Polylysogeny Dr John Chen
0920-0940	A Novel Repressor Class for Lysogeny Control in Temperate T7-Like Phages Dr Jason Gill
0940-1000	Extraintestinal pathogenic Escherichia coli response to bacteriophages: in vitro versus in vivo Dr Carola Venturini
1000-1030	Morning Tea (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
1030-1200	Synthetic Biology
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	Dr Paul Jashcke and Prof Rotem Sorek
1030-1100	Invited Speaker Presentation: Phage Foundry: A High-Throughput Platform for Rapid Design and Development of Countermeasures to Combat Emerging Drug- Resistant Pathogens Dr Vivek Mutalik
1100-1120	Chimeric endolysins that target and kill the phytopathogen Pseudomonas syringae pv. Actinidiae Dr Susie Warring
1120-1140	Genome-Wide Characterisation of Diverse Bacteriophages Enabled by RNA-Binding CRISPRi Dr Brady Cress and Dr Ben Adler
1140-1200	Engineering the Structure and Dynamics of Encapsulin Virus-Like Particles Dr Yu Heng Lau
1200-1300	Lunch (Exhibition - Door 5, Ground Level, Cairns Convention Centre)
1300-1430	Closing Address, Keynote Presentation and Awards
Room	Auditorium C (Doors 14 and 15), Mezzanine Level, Cairns Convention Centre
Chairs	A/Prof Jeremy Barr and Prof Ruby Lin
1300-1345	Keynote Speaker Presentation: A Journey into the Immune System of Bacteria Prof Rotem Sorek
1345-1400	Presentation Awards Prof Zuzanna Drulis-Kawa and Dr Matthias Fischer
1400-1405	ISVM Presidential Address Prof Lone Bronstedt
1405-1410	VoM 2026 Meeting Announcement Speaker to be announced
1410-1430	Closing Remarks A/Prof Jeremy Barr
1430	Meeting Closes