



# **19<sup>th</sup> International Chromosome Conference**

Bologna, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2013

## **Final Program**

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**Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013**

**Dept. Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences, Aula Ghigi, Via S. Giacomo 3**

**15.00 Welcome address by local authorities**

**15.55-16.40 [Plenary lecture](#)**

**The role of structural genomics variants accurately identified from whole genome sequences *Charles Lee (USA)***

**16.40-17.00 Coffee break (Dept. Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences, Museum)**

**17.00-19.00 [Chromosome structure and function](#)**

**Cell-lineage-specific consequences of condensing II-deficiency on ploidy and haemopoietic development *Andrew J. Wood (UK)***

**Genomic composition and turnover of satellite DNA repeats *Miroslav Plohl (HR)***

**Neocentromere and centromere evolution *Mariano Rocchi (IT)***

**Architecture and functional dynamics of satellite-less centromeres in the equid model system *Elena Giulotto (IT)***

**[Welcome cocktail \(Dept. Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences, Museum\)](#)**

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## Chromosome structure and function

**9.00-10.00**

**Non-Coding RNA and centromere stability** *Rachel O'Neill (USA)*

**Linking chromosome structure to the organization of S phase in human cells** *Dean Jackson (UK)*

**10.00-10.30**

1) Nucleosome-nucleosome stacking: a basic element of chromosome structure *Nikolay Korolev (SING)*

2) X-ray imaging of chromosomes *Ian Robinson (UK)*

**10.30-10.50 Coffee break**

**10.50-12.05**

3) Quantitative and qualitative B chromosomes genotyping in the cichlid fish *Astatotilapia latifasciata* *Bruno Fantinatti (BR)*

4) B chromosomes are derived from many autosomes in the cichlid fish, *Astatotilapia latifasciata* *Cesar Martins (BR)*

5) Specific centromere structure of equationally dividing chromosomes in the first meiosis of wheat/rye amphihaploids *Dina Loginova (RU)*

6) Conserved DNA motifs, including the CENP-B-Box-like, are involved in satellite DNA array rearrangements *Nevenka Mestrova (HR)*

7) The more the merrier: recently hybridization and polyploidy of Cardamine *Terezie Mandakova (CZ)*

8) Identification of genes with an interest in aquaculture in the species *Solea senegalensis* (Kaup 1858) and development of a preliminary genetic map *Laureana Rebordinos (ES)*

## Sex chromosomes

**12.05-12.45**

**Weird animal genomes, sex and the evolution of new sex determining systems** *Jenny Graves (AU)*

**12.45-14.30 Lunch (Dept. Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences, Museum)**

**14.30- 15.30**

**Evolution of sex determination mechanisms and sex chromosomes in fish** *Manfred Schartl (DE)*

**Evolution of sex chromosomes in moths and butterflies** *Frantisek Marec (CZ)*

**15.30-16.45**

1) Toad grasshoppers (Pamphagidae, Orthoptera) as new model for sex chromosomes evolution *Ilyas Jetybayev (RU)*

2) Conserved sex determination across adaptively radiated Anolis lizards *Martina Pokorna (CZ)*

3) Sequencing and de novo assembly of the equine msy *Bhanu Chowdhari (USA)*

4) Plant sex chromosomes: structure, function and evolution *Boris Vyskot (CZ)*

5) Insight into sex chromosome evolutionary relationships in squamate reptiles: the case of Anolis (Reptilia, Iguanidae) *Massimo Giovannotti (IT)*

**16.45-17.05 Coffee break**

## Advances in imaging and molecular technology

**17.05-17.35 Nuclear architecture and function studied in space and time with super resolution fluorescence microscopy and electron microscopy** *Thomas Cremer (DE)*

**17.35-18.50**

1) Optical resolution imaging of chromosomes *Christopher Lynch (UK)*

2) A flow cytogenetic approach to analyze and isolate plant chromosomes: flow sorting of FISH labeled chromosomes in suspension *Debora Giorgi (IT)*

3) Tyramid-FISH is a useful tool for cytogenetic mapping of genes in plant species with small and large chromosomes *Ilya Kirov (BE)*

4) Films as a technique for probing the structure of human metaphase chromosomes *A.K. Estandarte (UK)*

5) 3D electron microscopy for investigating the structure of human mitotic chromosomes *Mohammed Yusuf (UK)*

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## Nuclear organization and dynamics

9-10.30

Long-range, directed movement of Hsp70 transgenes towards nuclear speckles accompanied by chromatin stretching after transcriptional activation *Andrew Belmont (USA)*

Control of chromosome duplication in mammals *Cristina Cardoso (DE)*

Non-coding RNA polymerase II transcripts are required for the structural and functional integrity of the nucleolus *Maywen Caudron-Herger (DE)*

10.30-10.50 *Coffee break*

10.50-12.20

Visualizing gene conversion and meiotic recombination in *Arabidopsis* *Gregory Copenhaver (USA)*

Cell cycle control of chromosome segregation *Erich Nigg (CH)*

Meiotic chromosome pairing in *Sordaria macrospora*. Interplay between chromosome structure and recombination *Aurora Storlazzi (IT)*

12.20-13.05

1) Chromatin modifications and replication dynamics of heterochromatin from vole rodents *Ismael Romero-Fernandez (E)*

2) Dynamic and stochastic epigenetic state switching studied in epigenetic engineered mammalian cell systems *Pernette Verschure (NL)*

3) Primary analysis of repeats elements of the Asian Seabass genome and transcriptome *Inna Kuznetcova (SING)*

13.05-14.30 **Lunch (Dept. Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences, Museum)**

14.30-16.00

4) Transcriptional activity of transposable elements in coelacanth *Mariko Forconi (IT)*

5) Dinoflagellate ribosomal genes organization and chromosomal structure *Rosa Figueroa (ES)*

6) New data from *D. rerio* confirmed V-sines as potential miRNA targets *Maria Alessandra Morescalchi (IT)*

7) A more relaxed nuclear organization in PHA human lymphocytes: a 2D and 3D evaluation *Helen Tempest (USA)*

8) Altered chromatin packaging in male factor infertility *Kara Turner (UK)*

9) Organization of telomeres within the human sperm nucleus: an essential requirement for normal fertilization and embryogenesis? *Helen Tempest (USA)*

16-16.20 *Coffee break*

## Chromosome and genome evolution

16.20-18.20

Isochores and chromosomes *Giorgio Bernardi (IT)*

The avian genome and evolutionary dynamics. The role of HSBs and EBRs *Darren Griffin (UK)*

The evolution of mammalian chromosomes: hypotheses from syntenic associations *Roscoe Stanyon (IT)*

Polyploid genome evolution in crop plants *Trude Schwarzacher (UK)*

**SOCIAL DINNER AT "NONNO ROSSI"**

Shuttle will leave at 20.00 in front of the congress Venue - Complesso Belmeloro- Via Belmeloro 14

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## Chromosome and genome evolution

**9.00-10.00**

**Chromosomal abnormalities in IVP pre-implantation bovine embryos: an up-date *Dino Di Bernardino (IT)***  
**Clinical cytogenetics in horses: cases in Spanish pure breed (PRE) *Miguel Moreno-Millàn (ES)***

**10.00-10.30**

1) The B chromosomes of rye is a by-product whole genome evolution and is rich in transcriptional active pseudogene-like fragments *Andrea Houben (DE)*  
2) Intensive recombination have led to tandem repeat expansion and enlargement of rye subtelomeric heterochromatin *Alexander Vershinin (RU)*

**10.30-10.50 Coffee break**

**10.50-12.50**

3) Two Genlisea species with an eighteen fold genome size differences- a cytogenetic characterization *Joerg Fuchs (DE)*  
4) Trends of chromosome evolution in crucifers (Brassicaceae) *Martin Lysak (CZ)*  
5) Centromeric insertion and translocations are involved in the diploidy of Phaseolus leptostachyus Benth (Fabaceae) *Andrea Pedrosa-Harand (BR)*  
6) Dynamic of karyotypic evolution in Squamate reptiles inferred from comparative gene mapping *Kornson Srikulnath (THAY)*  
7) Comparative analysis of gerbils: insight into genome conservation and rate of chromosome evolution among Southern- African taxa *Victor Rambau (SAF)*  
8) Chromosome evolution in Cricetinae (Myomorpha, Rodentia) *Svetlana Romanenko (RU)*  
9) Recombination plasticity in a wild mice Robertsonian population *Laia Capilla (ES)*  
10) On how the study of genetic recombination is providing new insights into mammalian chromosome evolution *Aurora Ruiz-Herrera (ES)*

**12.50-14.30 Lunch (Dept. Biological, Geological an Environmental Sciences, Museum)**

**14.30-15 .00**

11) Amplification of genes in mammalian B chromosomes *Vladimir Trifonov (RU)*  
12) One, two, many: amplification of HSFY in suid species *Ben Skinner (UK)*

## Chromosomal aberrations and disease

**15.00-16.00**

**The new cytogenetics after the tsunami of molecular karyotype *Orsetta Zuffardi (IT)***  
**The chromosomal basis of male infertility *Helen Tempest (USA)***

**16-16.20 Coffee break**

**16.20 -19.00 Poster session**

**17.30-19.00 ICGS Open Meeting**

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Chromosomal aberrations and disease

9.00-10.30

Universal approaches for detecting genetic disease in IVF embryos: towards understanding the cytogenetics of early human development  
*Darren Griffin (UK)*

Chromosomal microarray analysis as a first-line test in high- and low-risk pregnancies *Francesco Fiorentino (IT)*

The use of microarray for aneuploidy screening and translocations in oocytes and embryos *Luca Gianaroli (IT)*

10.30-10.50 Coffee break

10.50- 12.35

1) Molecular characterization of two calyculin a induced hotspots of breakage at the human chromosome fragile site FRA11D *Eliane El Achkar (LEB)*

2) Mitotic and chromosomal deficiencies in primary microcephaly syndrome (MCPH) *Juan Alberto Marchal (ES)*

3) Does exposure of human lymphocytes to genotoxic agents alter gene positioning ? *Helen Tempest (USA)*

4) A new way to use whole chromosome painting probes (WCPs) in a clinical case *Alessandra Iannuzzi (IT)*

5) Integrative genomic analysis of human cancer cell types by MFISH, ACGH and gene expression analysis *M. Prakash Hande (SING)*

6) Mouse octochrome: for cytogenetic characterization of mouse LYR tumor cell line *Gothami Fonseka (UK)*

7) Genome wide analysis reveals single nucleotide polymorphisms associated with fatness and putative novel copy number variants in three pig breeds *Katy Fowler (UK)*

CONCLUSION