

Computational Biology Workshop

Glasgow, Scotland 31st July 2004

Background and Aims:

A workshop focusing on Computational Biology in Biomedicine will be held in Glasgow, Scotland on July 31, 2004. The workshop will focus on computational methods to drive discovery in biomedicine.

The aims of the workshop are:

- To enable researchers from participating institutions in Texas and their colleagues from the UK to showcase relevant research activities.
- To allow researchers to network with colleagues and explore collaborative opportunities.

The overall outcomes should be:

- The development of collaborative relationships between researchers in the UK and in Texas.
- The exploration of novel opportunities for collaboration across disciplines.
- The sharing of emerging results.
- The provision of access to specialist equipment and facilities.

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Saturday July 31, 2004

8.30am Registration and Coffee

Moderator: Professor Bruce Luxon
University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston

9.00am Welcome, Introductions and Background to the Workshop

9.10am "Computational Biology within Clinical Research"
Professor Brad Pollock
University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio

9.30am "Latent Variable Modelling of Gene Expression"
Dr. Mark Girolamy
University of Glasgow

- 9.45am "Improving Conformational Searches by Geometric Screening"
Dr. Ming Zhang
UT MD Anderson Cancer Center
- 10.00am "Protein Modelling"
Professor Michael Sternberg
Imperial College, London
- 10.15am "Quantitative Analysis of Gene Expression Patterns with an Atlas of the Mouse Brain"
Dr. James Carson
Baylor College of Medicine
- 10.30am "Postgenomic Research in Glasgow"
Dr. Walter Kolch
University of Glasgow
- 10.45am Refreshment Break
- 11.15am "Systematically screening the cancer genome to discover new cancer genes"
Dr. Richard Wooster
Sanger Centre, Cambridge
- 11.30am "Effects of Hemodynamic Stresses on Flow through Intracranial Aneurysms"
Dr. Ralph Metcalfe
University of Houston
- 11.40am "Mathematical Modeling of the NF-kappaB Regulatory Module"
Dr. Marek Kimmel
Rice University
(To be delivered by Dr. Bruce Luxon)
- 11.55am "Architecture and Application of MoBioS: A Metric-Space DBMS to Support Biological Discovery"
Professor Daniel Miranker
University of Texas at Austin
- 12.10pm Q&A and Panel Session
- 1.00pm Lunch**

Moderator: Professor Jim Calvin, Texas A&M University

- 2.00pm "Computational Biology and the Drug Discovery Pathway"
Dr. Steven Foord
Glaxo Smith Kline
- 2.20pm "Text Data Mining Driven Drug Discovery"
Professor Harold "Skip" Garner
UT Southwestern, Dallas
- 2.35pm "A summary of Bioinformatics Research at the School of Life Sciences,
University of Dundee"
Professor Geoff Barton
University of Dundee
- 2.50pm "High Throughput Drug Discovery"
Professor Jack Smith
UTHSC – Houston
- 3.05pm Ontologies of Development Anatomy
Professor Jonathan Bard
University of Edinburgh
- 3.20pm "Bioinformatic Tools to Identify Differentially Expressed Genes in Microarray Data
and Detect Regulatory Motifs in Genome Sequences"
Dr. Marina Vannucci and Dr. Sing-Hoi Sze
Texas A&M University
- 3.35pm Refreshment Break
- 4.00pm 'Structural Diversity among Ligand Binding Sites'
Gareth Stockwell
European Bioinformatics Institute, Cambridge
- 4.15pm "Functional Class Prediction of Orphan Genes and Structures"
Dr. Andrew Doig
UMIST
- 4.30pm "Understanding Biochips"
Dr. Monte Pettitt
University of Houston

- 4.40pm "Systems Approach for the Discovery of Novel Diagnostics and Therapeutics"
Professor Bruce Luxon
University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston
- 4.55pm Q&A and Panel Discussion
- 5.30pm Workshop Finishes
- 6.00pm Reception at the Glasgow Science Museum
- 7.30pm Informal Networking Supper at the Moat House Hotel Glasgow