

Monday, March 25 (Day 1)

9:00-9:50 Registration

9:50-10:00 Welcoming Address by Eisuke Nishida

Session 1: Making Embryoids and Organoids

Chair: Minoru Takasato

10:00-10:30 **S1-1**

Single cell analysis of early human embryos and pluripotent cells

Fredrik Lanner (Karolinska Institutet, Sweden)

10:30-11:00 **S1-2**

Blastoids: blastocyst-like structures generated solely from stem cells implant in utero

Nicolas Rivron (MERLN Institute and Hubrecht Institute, The Netherlands)

11:00-11:20 *Coffee Break*

11:20-11:50 **S1-3**

Synthetic human embryo-like structures: A new paradigm for human embryology

Jianping Fu (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA)

11:50-12:10 **S1-4***

Induced 2C expression and implantation-competent blastocyst-like cysts from primed pluripotent stem cells

Cody Kime (RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research, Japan)

12:10-13:10 *Lunch*

13:10-13:40 **S1-5**

Recreating a lower urinary tract from human pluripotent stem cells

Minoru Takasato (RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research, Japan)

13:40-14:10 **S1-6**

Pancreas organoids to decipher organ development

Anne Grapin-Botton (DanStem, University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

14:10-15:40 **Poster Session 1**

14:10-14:55 Presenters of Odd numbered posters

14:55-15:40 Presenters of Even numbered posters

Session 2: From Natural to Artificial Cells

Chair: Shunsuke Tagami

15:40-16:10 **S2-1**

Defining the last 25% of life using a minimal bacterial cell

Yo Suzuki (J. Craig Venter Institute, USA)

16:10-16:40 **S2-2**

Bottom up approaches to synthetic cellularity

T-Y Dora Tang (Max Planck Institute for Cellular Molecular Biology and Genetics, Germany)

16:40-17:10 **S2-3**

Simple peptides enhance assembly and activity of RNA molecules

Shunsuke Tagami (RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research, Japan)

17:10-17:30

Coffee Break

17:30-18:00 **S2-4**

The biophysics of RNP granule formation and disease

Simon Alberti (Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics, Germany)

18:00-18:20 **S2-5***

Generating force in living cells at will

Takanari Inoue (Johns Hopkins University, USA)

18:20-18:50 **S2-6**

Making an artificial cell capable of Darwinian evolution

Norikazu Ichihashi (The University of Tokyo, Japan)

18:50-20:30 Reception at BDR Lounge

Tuesday, March 26 (Day 2)

Session 3: Cutting-edge Technology

Chair: Yo Tanaka

9:30-10:00 **S3-1**

High-resolution, high-throughput electrophysiology platforms for drug discovery applications using iPSC-derived neurons

Urs Frey (MaxWell Biosystems AG, Switzerland)

10:00-10:30 **S3-2**

Multiplexed analysis based on the single cells array

Dahai Ren (Tsinghua University, China)

10:30-10:50 **S3-3***

Integrative platform to control and sensing microenvironment for 3D tissue reconstruction

Masaya Hagiwara (Osaka Prefecture University, Japan)

10:50-11:20

Coffee Break

11:20-11:50 **S3-4**

Improving cardiovascular "diseases-in-a-dish" with active biomaterials

Adam J Engler (University of California San Diego, USA)

11:50-12:20 **S3-5**

Pioneering nanofluidics for new chemistry, biology, and materials science

Yan Xu (Osaka Prefecture University, Japan)

12:20-12:50 **S3-6**

User-friendly cellular or tissue patterning methods and application to their analysis

Yo Tanaka (RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research, Japan)

12:50-13:50

Lunch

13:50-15:50 **Poster Session 2**

13:50-14:50 Presenters of posters with category "A"

14:50-15:50 Presenters of posters with category "B"

Session 4: Theory and Data Analysis

Chair: Yoshihiro Morishita

15:50-16:20 **S4-1**

Hybrid control and treatment design of prostate cancer by mathematical modeling and machine learning

Kazuyuki Aihara (The University of Tokyo, Japan)

16:20-16:50 **S4-2**

Neurosensory network functionality and data-driven control

J. Nathan Kutz (University of Washington, USA)

16:50-17:10

Coffee Break

17:10-17:40 **S4-3**

Information transfer from medullary central pattern generators to analog microcircuits

Alain Nogaret (University of Bath, UK)

17:40-18:10 **S4-4**

Human time vs. mouse time: in vitro segmentation clock as a model system

Miki Ebisuya (EMBL Barcelona, Spain)

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Speakers' Dinner

Wednesday, March 27 (Day 3)

9:30-9:50 **S4-5***
Topological transitions of epithelial surfaces
Keisuke Ishihara (Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics, Germany)

9:50-10:10 **S4-6***
Noise-resistant developmental reproducibility in vertebrate somite formation
Naoki Honda (Kyoto University, Japan)

10:10-10:40 **S4-7**
A quantitative and systems approach to vertebrate forebrain and heart morphogenesis
Yoshihiro Morishita (RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research, Japan)

10:40-11:10 *Coffee Break*

Session 5: Life Cycle

Chair: Tomoya Kitajima

11:10-11:40 **S5-1**
Lifespan extension by modulating inflammation and stem cell function
Heinrich Jasper (Genentech Inc., USA)

11:40-12:10 **S5-2**
Adipose tissue NAD⁺ biology in glucose metabolism and thermogenesis
Jun Yoshino (Washington University School of Medicine, USA)

12:10-13:40 Lunch and **Poster Session 3**
Free discussion, all posters

13:40-14:10 **S5-3**
Control of acentrosomal spindle assembly during meiosis in oocytes
Tomoya Kitajima (RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research, Japan)

14:10-14:40 **S5-4**
Maternal transmission – a tale of two genomes

Program

Mary Herbert (Newcastle University, UK)

14:40-15:10 **S5-5**

Reconstitution and understanding of mammalian oogenesis

Katsuhiko Hayashi (Kyushu University, Japan)

15:10-15:20 Closing Remarks by Katsuhiko Hayashi