

9th Alpbach Workshop on: Repeat Proteins – Biology & Design

We gratefully acknowledge the generous sponsorship of

Generate: Biomedicines
A Flagship Pioneering Company

for this meeting.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7

Arrivals, Reception and Dinner

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 8

08:50 **Welcome** (**Andrei Lupas and Dek Woolfson**)

09:00 – 10:15 **New developments** (**Andrei Lupas**)

Andrei Lupas (Tübingen) – New protein fibers from the dark proteome

Joana Pereira (Leuven) – The Protein Universe Atlas: A Lens into Novel Families and Functions Across the Protein Universe

Vikram Alva (Tübingen) – Repeat Proteins at the Surface: S-layer Lattices in Archaea and Bacteria

10:15 – 10:45 **Tea break**

10:45 – 12:25 **Software resources** (**Gevorg Grigoryan**)

Gevorg Grigoryan (Generate Biomedicines/Dartmouth) – From Protein Design to Programmable Biology and Therapeutic Impact

Kaiyu Qiu (Tübingen) – Detecting protein repeats using sequence embeddings from protein language models

Christopher Wood (Edinburgh) – CC Central: A Unified Platform for Coiled-Coil Discovery, Analysis, and Design

Mohammad ElGamacy (Tübingen) – Synthetic protein design with Damietta

12:30 – **Lunch - Afternoon free**

17:00 – 17:45 **Flash Presentations for Posters** (**Katarzyna Ożga**)

Glenn Carrington (Leeds) – Getting Kinesin Back on Track: TRAK2 as a Mitochondrial Transport Adaptor

Melissa Dyson (Bristol) – Installing Functional Metal-Binding Sites into *De Novo* Designed Proteins

Gesa Laura Freimann (Tübingen) – Molecular Dynamics Simulations of Af1503 – A Model Protein for Transmembrane Signaling

Jesse Gayk (DESY) – A structural chameleon in cryo-EM: cross- α /cross- β amyloids & nanotubes

Valeriia Hatskovska (Tübingen) – *De Novo* Design and Characterization of Single-Domain Bivalent Binders for Therapeutic Applications

Reece King (Bristol) – Designing cell-permeating peptides to target coil-1A of vimentin intermediate filaments

Xiyue Leng (Bristol) – Programmable Three-Helix Bundle Proteins with Controlled Topology and Tunable Stability

Holly McKenzie (Bristol) – Blended Domains: A Design Strategy for Constructing Ligand- Responsive Coiled-coil Proteins

Matej Milijas-Jotić (Tübingen) – Ordering Disorder: A Binder Design Strategy for BAALC

Leila Motiei (Weizmann) – Chemically Programmable Bacterial Probes for the Recognition of Cell Surface Proteins

Shai Rahimipour (Bar Ilan Uni) – Targeting A β oligomers for early theranostics of Alzheimer's disease

Lauren A. Rhodes (Bristol) – Design and characterisation of *de novo* miniproteins to recognise curvature at the plasma membrane

Britt Rooijakkers (Leiden) – Understanding metal selectivity in *de novo* designed coiled coil proteins

Alexandra Waldherr (Tübingen) – Non-canonical amino acids and their inclusion and occurrence in elucidated structures

17:45 – 18:30 **Posters**

18:30 – 20:00 **Dinner**

20:00 – 21:40 **Natural and designed fibres (Allon Hochbaum)**

Allon Hochbaum (UC Irvine) –

Matthew J. Harrington (McGill) – Mussels use peculiar coiled coils to build tough fibers and underwater glues

Caitlin Johnston (CSIRO) – Resolving the structure and assembly of the honeybee silk heterotetrameric coiled coil

Jordi Bella (Manchester) – Designed, hyperstable recombinant collagen-like proteins without hydroxyproline

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 9

09:00 – 10:30 **Design I: structure and dynamics (Dek Woolfson)**

Dek Woolfson (Bristol) – Learning to build coiled coil-based assemblies, structures and functions from scratch

Sarah Berger (Birmingham) – Predictive Structural Analysis of Coiled Coils Crosslinking Using Computational Tools

Jose M. Martínez-Parra (Santiago de Compostella) – Observing the internal chirality of non-proteinogenic peptide bundles

Andrey V. Romanyuk (Bristol) – Biomolecular condensation by *de novo* designed patchy globular proteins

10:30 – 11:00 **Tea break**

11:00 – 12:15 **Design II: design for function (Dek Woolfson)**

Katerina Maksymenko (Tübingen) – Shape-centric approaches to protein docking

Adrian Tripp (Graz) – Computational enzyme design via scaffolding of helical motifs

Rokas Petrenas (Bristol) – Rapid Assessment of Size, Shape, and Chemical Complementarity of Ligands for Computational Protein Design

12:30 –	Lunch - Afternoon free
18:30 – 20:00	Dinner
20:00 – 21:20	AlphaFold successes and failures (Stanisław Dunin-Horkawicz) Katarzyna Ożga (Copenhagen) – Designing Multidomain Coiled-Coil Proteins: What AlphaFold2 Gets Right and Wrong Stanisław Dunin-Horkawicz (Tübingen) – Coiled-coil domains hiding in the AlphaFold database Mikel Martinez Goikoetxea (Tübingen) – CCfrag: A Fragment-Based Framework for Modeling Long Coiled Coils Grzegorz Chojnowski (Hamburg) – Structural characterisation of protein-protein interactions using AlphaFold

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 10

09:00 – 10:30	Assemblies and materials (Vincent Conticello) Vincent Conticello (Emory) – Designable cross- α filaments: Flipping the switch on coiled-coil assembly Edward H. Egelman (University of Virginia) – Cryo-EM of polymers at near-atomic resolution: from proteins to peptides Mike Sleutel (VU Brussel) – Auto-crosslinking sporesilk fibers promote endospore and Cry toxin clustering Maxime Naudé (Copenhagen) – Layers of α -helical barrels for the control of excitons leading to transport of energy
10:30 – 11:00	Tea break
11:00 – 11:40	Assemblies and materials contd. (Vincent Conticello) Gabriel A. Frank (Ben Gurion Uni) – A Direct Link Between Evolutionary Pressure and 3D Pattern Formation in Bacterioferritin Assembly Raz Zarivach (Ben Gurion Uni) – Structural studies of magnetosome-associated protein-mineral interactions
11:45 – 12:45	Functionalising designed proteins (Birte Höcker) Birte Höcker (Bayreuth) – Designing for function: Building enzyme and binding sites from scratch Tanja Kortemme (UCSF) – De novo protein design: From new structures to programmable molecular and cellular functions
12:45 –	Lunch - Afternoon free
17:15 – 18:30	Natural complex systems I (Hadeer ElHabashy) Murray Coles (Tübingen) – polyHAMPs Vera Nazarenko (Tübingen) – Studies of transmembrane signal transduction using a model receptor Af1503

Hadeer ElHabashy (Tübingen/Bayreuth) – Novel insights into the functional landscape of the STAC domain

18:30 – 20:00 **Dinner**

20:00 – 21:15 **Natural complex systems II (Jessica Cross)**

Mark Dodding (Bristol) – Control of the activity of the microtubule motor kinesin-1 by its dynamic and multifunctional coiled-coils

Jessica Cross (Bristol) – Hijacking Hinges: Cracking the coiled-coil code to control intracellular transport

Michelle Peckham (Leeds) – How the coiled coil helps keep class 2 myosins switched off

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 11

09:00 – 10:35 **Repeat-protein Design (Andreas Plückthun)**

Andreas Plückthun (Zürich) - Intracellular applications of synthetic repeat proteins

Laura Itzhaki (Cambridge) – Engineering the folding and function of tandem-repeat proteins: Teaching old proteins new tricks

Renko De Vries (Wageningen) – Computational sequence design of α -helical repeat proteins that inhibit ice-crystallization

Zarifa Osmanli (Padova) – GeomeTRe: accurate calculation of geometrical properties of repeat proteins

10:35 – 11:05 **Tea break and Group Photograph**

11:05 – 12:20 **At the membrane (Ai Niitsu)**

Ai Niitsu (RIKEN) – Designer membrane proteins towards engineering the signalling frontier

Alexander Kros (Leiden) – Coiled-coil peptide-mediated RNA delivery

Tao Jiang (Xiamen Uni) – On-Cell Assembly of Coiled-Coil Peptides Enables Precise Manipulation of Cell Behaviors

12:30 – **Lunch - Afternoon Free**

17:30 – 19:30 **The quest for specific binding proteins (Dek Woolfson and Andrei Lupas)**

Peter Kim (Stanford) – Adventures with coiled coils, viral membrane fusion, vaccine design, and protein engineering

James Wells (UCSF) – Pirating natural proteins and antibodies for extracellular targeted protein degradation

Bill DeGrado (UCSF) – *De novo* design of functional proteins

20:00 – **Gourmet Dinner**

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12

Departures