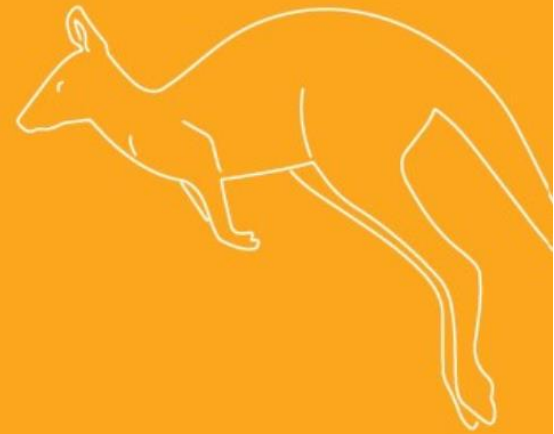


A vibrant sunset scene with a bright sun in the upper left, casting a glow over a range of mountains. The sky transitions from yellow to orange and red. A large dark blue circle is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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When you experience Perth it is easy to see why it is such a relaxed and naturally adventurous capital city.



WELCOME

On behalf of the Executive Board of the International Union of Photobiology (IUPB), the Molecular and Experimental Pathology Society of Australasia (MEPSA), and the Local Organising Committee, we welcome you to the 18th International Congress on Photobiology, held in Perth (Australia) from the 25th to the 30th of August 2024.

This joint congress in the City of Light will provide a comprehensive international forum for disseminating the most recent research and technological developments in the photobiological sciences and in photomedicine. It will offer a unique opportunity to present the latest breakthroughs, exchange new ideas, and establish global and far-reaching collaborations.

Symposia, keynote lectures, award lectures, and poster sessions, complemented by industry sessions, will achieve the broadest possible coverage of the photobiological sciences. We welcome a large number of invited symposia chairs and speakers from across the world, enabling delegates to disseminate and discuss their research, thereby increasing its impact. In addition, there will be the opportunity to contribute and participate in interactive poster sessions.

Perth is synonymous with everything attractive about Australia, blending urban cool with raw natural beauty. With its immersive experiences and proximity to a range of day trip destinations, Australia's sunniest capital city is a place where relaxation and adventure go hand in hand.

We look forward to joining you at the conference.

Janet Bornman and Scott Byrne
2024 Conference Co-Convenors



DELEGATE INFORMATION

VENUE

Pan Pacific Perth

207 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, WA 6000, Australia
Telephone +61 8 9224 7777.

The Plenary Sessions will be held in the Golden Room South. The breakout sessions will be held in the Golden Ballroom Centre, Golden Ballroom South, Hamersley North and South, Goldsworthy, and Boardroom. The exhibition, catering, and poster sessions will be held within Golden Ballroom North and the outside foyers.

REGISTRATION DESK

The registration desk is located in the Grand River Ballroom Foyer. Any enquiries regarding your participation in the IUPB-MEPSA Congress can be directed to the ASN staff onsite. The registration desk opening hours are as follows:

Sunday 25 August: 13:30 – 19:30

Monday 26 August: 8:00 – 18:00

Tuesday 27 August: 8:00 – 18:00

Wednesday, 28 August: 8:00 – 17:00

Thursday 29 August: 8:00 – 18:00

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The complimentary Wi-Fi has speeds up to 2Mbps.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Welcome Function inc Perth Councillor's Welcome

Date: Sunday, 25 August

Time: 17:15– 20:30

Room: Golden Ballroom North

Cost: Included in registration and \$80 for accompanying person ticket.

Congress Dinner

Date: Wednesday, 29 August

Time: 19:30 – 23:00

Location: Fraser's, Kings Park.

Cost: All tickets are \$130.

Transport: Buses have been organised to transport attendees to and from the dinner venue at 19:00 and 23:00, respectively. The pick-up point is the Pan Pacific entrance and transfers begin at 19:00.

SOCIAL ACTIVITY

For delegates booked on the Fremantle Lunch Cruise, it's just a 15-minute walk to Barrack Street Jetty, Perth. Please plan to arrive 30 minutes before departure. The cruise will set off at 11:15, offering breathtaking views of the Swan River during a 2-hour and 45-minute journey, with lunch included. You'll return to Barrack Street Jetty by 14:00.

CONGRESS WEB-APP

The App is displayed in a simple and easy-to-read format on your phone, iPad, or computer. To get the App, please open the link below in your internet browser.

<https://iupb-mepsa-2024.m.asnevents.com.au/>

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- View the full conference program.
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You will be prompted to "log in" to use most of these functions daily. Enter the same email and password that you used to register.

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Please ensure your mobile devices are switched to silent during any session you attend.

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If you require any special assistance, whether mobility, sensory accommodations, language interpretation, or any other specific needs you have not previously disclosed, please do not hesitate to inform us at the registration desk. Our team is here to support you by making the necessary accommodations to ensure your participation is smooth and fulfilling.

SPEAKER PREP ROOM

The Speaker Prep room is located in the **Murchison Room**. Please try to come and upload your presentation on Monday, 26 August, as there will be two technicians in the room that day. On the other days, there will be one technician. Allow at least two hours before the commencement of the session in which you are participating so your presentation can be loaded and tested. The technician will be on hand to assist with any transfer/loading issues and to help you check your presentation.

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Be sure that the PowerPoint slides have the same layout all the way through. Observe that the content of each slide is not too detailed. The possibilities of animations are numerous. Graphs and figures are often better than tables at an oral presentation. Flow charts are very appropriate for describing the material. If you wish to add films or other sorts of interactive materials, please include these in the presentation (do not access them through the Internet, as this may not work to your satisfaction) and inform the conference secretariat beforehand.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

You can display your poster when registration opens on Sunday, 25 August, in the Golden Ballroom North (Exhibition). It can be displayed for the entirety of the conference; you must stand next to it during the allocated poster session (see details below). Your poster must be removed after lunch on Thursday. Any posters left on poster panels after this time will be taken down. Velcro will be supplied at your poster number to attach your poster.

Poster Session

Date: Tuesday, 27 August

Time: 13:30 – 15:30

Room: Golden Ballroom North



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Keynote: Anthony Andradý
North Carolina State University, US

Researcher in environmental impacts of polymers with a specific interest in the marine environment.

Currently involved in several international panels studying the problem and engaged in funded academic research on the topic.

Extensive experience in managing funded research sponsored by US government agencies.



Keynote: Tayyaba Hasan
Harvard Medical School, US

Tayyaba Hasan, PhD, is a Professor of Dermatology at Harvard Medical School and of Health Sciences and Technology at Harvard-MIT. She's a pioneer in targeted photodynamic therapy, including nanotechnologies for cancer and infection treatment. Dr. Hasan's invention for treating Age-Related Macular Degeneration has helped millions globally. With nearly 300 publications and over 30 inventions, she was inducted into the National Academy of Inventors. She leads an NCI-funded project on image-guided cancer treatment and an international consortium for low-cost photodynamic therapy of oral cancer. Dr. Hasan's work has earned her the NIH Pioneer Award, 5 Lifetime Achievement awards, and recognition for her commitment to mentoring and diversity in science.



Keynote: María Gabriela Lagorio
Universidad de Buenos Aires, AR

María Gabriela Lagorio was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She obtained her B.S. (Chemical Sciences) in 1982 at UBA. She worked in the private industry from 1983 to 1987. Subsequently, she started her research activities, obtaining her PhD in Chemical Sciences (UBA) in 1991 under the supervision of Dr. Silvia Braslavsky and Dr. Enrique San Roman. She is presently Professor at UBA and scientist researcher of CONICET. She is the head of the Research Group in Photochemistry and Photobiology in INQUIMAE (FCEN, UBA). She also served as Head of the Department of Inorganic, Analytical and Physical Chemistry, from 1-8-2022 to 31-07 2024. Her research field involves the photophysical and photochemical study of plant material and hybrid systems and her work is focused on the modeling and analysis of the interaction of light with biological entities.



Keynote: Henry Lim
Henry Ford Health, US

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Keynote: Chikako Nishigori

Kobe University, JP

Dr. Chikako Nishigori is a Professor Emeritus/ visiting professor of Department of Dermatology at Kobe University. She was trained at Kyoto University and received her Ph.D. there. She joined Prof. Kripke's laboratory at MD Anderson Cancer Center in 1995. Her research topics are photodermatology, genodermatoses, skin cancers, and pigment cell disorders. She served as president of Japanese Society for Photomedicine and Photobiology (2013-2018) and board of Japanese Dermatological Association (2016-2022) and officer of International Federation of Pigment Cell Society.



Keynote: Serge Picaud

Institute de la Vision, FR

Serge PICAUD is the Director of the Paris Vision Institute (France), a leading centre in vision research and ophthalmology. The Institute has generated different pharmacological treatments, gene therapies, cell therapy and prosthetic devices for preserving and restoring vision. These clinical developments were implemented through the creation of more than 10 start-ups. Serge Picaud has defined toxic wavelengths reaching the retinal tissue for the solar spectrum. In the recent years, Serge Picaud contributed to the strategies for restoring vision at the retinal level by prostheses (e.g. photovoltaic) and optogenetic therapy, which represented the world premiere for this later strategy. Optogenetic therapy relies on the expression of a microbial opsin via gene therapy to sensitize human retinal neurons to light. Recently, he provided the preclinical proof of concept for restoring vision directly at the cortical level by sonogenetic therapy.



Keynote: Robert Ramsay

Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre, AU

Until recently, Rob was co-head of the gastroenterology cancer program and led the Differentiation and Transcription Laboratory at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. Rob, a trained molecular biologist specializing in transcriptional regulation, has focused his career on the oncoprotein MYB, beginning in New York and progressing to clinical trials. He is recognized as a leading expert on MYB's role in tumorigenesis. Over the past 15 years, he has shifted his lab's focus to tumor immunology, immune gene dysregulation, and inflammation-mediated events that contribute to carcinogenesis.

Rob is a member of the lower GI MDM and continues to supervise surgeon-PhD students, particularly with Surgical Oncology Head Sandy Heriot. He has led the translational aspects of several clinical trials, including the Phase II Thalidomide and Celecoxib trial in 2005 and other trials such as CIGAR4, PERIPROTECT, and TARGOVAX-TGO-02. He is also a Board Director and Company Secretary of the Australasian Gastrointestinal Trials Group.



Keynote: Francesca Toma

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, US

Prof. Toma is the Director of the Institute of Functional Materials for Sustainability at Helmholtz Zentrum Hereon and a Distinguished Helmholtz Professor at Helmut Schmidt University. Her research focuses on synthesizing and characterizing sustainable materials for renewable energy and biological applications. She also serves as a Visiting Professor at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

She earned her PhD in Biophysics from the International School of Advanced Studies in Italy in 2009. She gained postdoctoral experience at the University of Trieste before moving to the University of California, Santa Barbara, as a Marie Curie Researcher in 2011 and later to UC Berkeley in 2013. Prof. Toma spent nearly a decade as a Staff Scientist at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, leading critical programs in renewable energy. She has co-authored 120 publications, earned numerous awards, and was named an Oppenheimer Fellow by the US National Laboratory Directors' Council in 2022, highlighting her leadership in scientific research.

2024 AWARDEES

IUPB Awardees

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Finsen Medals are awarded to distinguished photobiologists for their outstanding contributions to the photo sciences. These medals recognise scientists who have worked in the photo sciences for many years.



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Yoshitaka Fukada
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Jean Krutmann
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Germany*

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Keiichi Inoue
*The Institute for Solid State Physics, The University of
Tokyo, Japan*

Edna Roe Lecturer

Edna Roe Lecturers are promising photo scientists who have achieved breakthroughs or similar accomplishments in the photo sciences.



Angela Falciatore
CNRS/Sorbonne University, Paris, France

MEPSA Awardee

Vivienne Reeve Lecturer



Prue Hart
Telethon Institute, Perth, Western Australia

Understanding and preventing the risks of the sun's rays

Sun exposure is a real public health issue. Skin cancers are the most common groups of cancers diagnosed worldwide, with more than 1.5 million new cases estimated in 2022.

And yet, 77% of people do not protect themselves all year round, but only on hot days, during holidays, or even never for 15% of them. Nevertheless, 57% of those surveyed said they regretted not having protected themselves better from the sun in the past, and the majority admitted that they did not clearly understand the difference between UVB and UVA rays.

In addition to the public health issue, it is estimated that 80% of visible facial aging signs (wrinkles, hyperpigmentation ...), are caused by exposure to the sun. Today, 50% of consumers report skin pigmentation issues, knowing that the more melanin pigments the skin has, the more prone it is to hyperpigmentary disorders.

Sun protection must therefore become a daily routine.

A deleterious long-term impact

The amount of UV rays that reaches us depends on the time of day, the season, the altitude, or the weather. According to their wavelengths, we distinguish between UVB (rays between 280 and 320 nm*), short UVA (between 320 and 340 nm) and

long UVA (between 340 and 400 nm). These long UVA rays, which penetrate deeply into the skin, are more insidious and can lead to deep skin damages and clinical consequences:

Short-term: persistent darkening of the skin, immune disorders such as herpes.

Medium-long term: premature photoageing, with the appearance of wrinkles and hyperpigmentation disorders.

Long-term: increased risk of skin cancer.

One of the major challenges of cosmetics industry is therefore to broaden the spectrum of sun protection to prevent all UV-induced skin damages. Recently, a major scientific breakthrough made it possible to increase solar filtration in the long UVA range between 380 and 400 nm and offer products with maximum coverage of the solar UV spectrum.

A broader spectrum of sun protection

Technology has been developed to enlarge the profile of absorption in sunscreen products

for long UVA rays, protecting the skin from the 30% of the sun's rays that were not filtered and therefore, protecting the skin from the deep cellular damage caused by these most insidious UV rays.

Recent understanding of the role of visible light

While the harmful of UV radiation are well known, scientific research is revealing the impact of visible light on pigmentation. Recent studies have shown the contribution of visible light, and blue wavelengths in particular, to the development, aggravation, or recurrence of hyperpigmentation disorders inducing dyschromia such as age spot (actinic lentigines), melasma or post-inflammatory hyperpigmentation.

DISCOVER MORE DURING THE SYMPOSIUM "HYPERPIGMENTATION. THE ROLE OF VISIBLE LIGHT", ON:

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28 AUGUST
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Sources:

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CONGRESS PROGRAM

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PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Sunday, 25th August 2025

Registration Open

1:30PM – 7:30PM..... Golden Ballroom Foyer 1 & 2

IUPB Presidential Lecture

Janet Bornman

4:00PM - 4:35PM.....Golden Ballroom – South

MEPSA Presidential Lecture

Scott Byrne

4:35PM - 5:10PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Welcome Reception

Welcome Address by the City of Perth Councillor

Nibbles and Drinks provided as part of your congress registration.

5:15PM - 8:15PM..... Golden Ballroom North + Foyer 1 & 2

Monday, 26th August 2025

Congress Opening

Janet Bornman – IUPB

8:15AM - 8:30AM.....Golden Ballroom - South

IUPB FINSEN MEDAL LECTURE

Yoshitaka Fukada

Light signalling by vertebrate photoreceptor opsin and G-protein *abs# 1*

8:30AM - 9:15AM..... Golden Ballroom - South

IUPB EDNA ROE LECTURE

Angela Falciatore

Light in the life of marine phytoplankton *abs# 2*

9:15AM - 9:45AM..... Golden Ballroom – South

MORNING TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - Structure, function and application of animal “non-conventional” opsins.

PAJ symposium

Chair: Akihisa Terakita

10:15AM - 12:45PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Akihisa Terakita -IL

Molecular properties and optogenetic potentials of diverse animal opsins *abs# 3*

Sonja Kleinlogel -IL

An ultrafast opsin from the dreaded box jellyfish *abs# 4*

Gebhard Franz Xavier Schertler -IL

Structure of an active bistable invertebrate rhodopsin: Implications for the mechanistic understanding of bistability *abs# 5*

Mitsumasa Koyanagi -IL

Evolution of the jumping spider rhodopsin and its optogenetic potentials *abs# 6*

Phyllis R ROBINSON -IL

Melanopsin, from molecule to behavior *abs# 7*

Daisuke KOJIMA -OC

Differential roles of multiple photoreceptors in regulating background adaptation of zebrafish *abs# 8*

Concurrent Session 2 - Targeted photosensitizer delivery strategies

Chair: Huang Chiao Huang

10:15AM - 12:15PM Golden Ballroom - Centre

Carla Arnau del Valle -IL

Novel verteporfin-based nanoparticles for targeted photodynamic therapy of ovarian cancer *abs# 9*

Dennis Ng-IL

Polydopamine-Based Nanophotosensitizing Systems for Targeted Phototherapy *abs# 10*

Sumiao Pang-IL

Targeted photo-activable multi-agent liposome for fluorescence-guided photoimmunotherapy enhances survival outcomes *abs# 11*

Huang Chiao Huang-OC

Light-Activatable, Sustained-exposure Ethanol Injection Technology (LASEIT) for treatment of locally advanced tumors *abs# 12*

Concurrent Session 3 - Advances in optogenetics and molecular aspects

Chair: Matias Zurbriggen

10:15AM - 11:45AM Goldsworthy

Matias Zurbriggen - IL

Engineering photoreceptors into optogenetic tools for the control and understanding of cellular processes in microbial, animal and plant systems *abs# 53*

Karin Aubrey - IL

Optogenetic stimulation of projection neurons – sublime but not physiological *abs# 54*

Lay Khoon Too - IL

Optogenetic approaches for restoring vision: Where are we now? *abs# 218*

Concurrent Session 4 - UV radiation in the skin and vitamin D

Chair: Peter Philipsen

10:15AM - 12:15PM Boardroom

Louisa Collins- IL

Making the sunshine vitamin – how much sun exposure is needed to maintain 25 hydroxy vitamin D concentration? *abs# 17*

Antony R Young- IL

How does natural sun protection and sunscreen use influence vitamin D synthesis? *abs# 18*

Katie Dixon- IL

Protection of vitamin D compounds against UV-induced skin carcinogenesis *abs# 19*

Peter A Philipsen- IL

New action spectrum for vitamin d production in human skin – Does this alter the risk-benefit balance? *abs# 20*

Sebastian SL Lorenz- IL

Increasing Solar UV Radiation in Dortmund, Germany, and Uccle, Belgium – Results of Long-Term UV Monitoring *abs# 320*

Concurrent Session 5 - Light sensing in plants, algae and cyanobacteria: photosynthesis and photoperception

Chair: Xiaojing Yang

10:15AM - 12:25PM Hamersley - North

Jindong Zhao- IL

Phycobilisome assembly and attachment to photosystem II for energy conversion in cyanobacteria *abs# 21*

Igor Schapiro- IL

Photoisomerization Mechanism of Retinal in Different Rhodopsins - Insight from Multiscale Simulations *abs# 22*

Dongping Zhong- IL

Ultrafast primary dynamics and isomerization mechanism of a far-red sensing cyanobacteriochrome *abs# 23*

Xiaojing Yang- IL

Light Signaling and Allosteric Mechanisms of Bacteriophytochromes *abs# 24*

Michel Sliwa- OC

Light Intensity-Dependent Photo-Activation Quantum Yield of Orange Carotenoid Protein *abs# 25*

Concurrent Session 6 - Phototoxicity - Photostability of drugs

SIFB symposium

Chair: Giorgia Miolo

10:15AM - 12:25PMHamersley - South

Carlos E. Crespo-Hernández- IL

Development of organic photo-drugs for the treatment of cancers *abs# 26*

Virginie Lhiaubet-Vallet- IL

Phototoxicity of retinoid drugs: from photophysics to photobiology *abs# 27*

Giorgia Miolo- IL

Photostability of anticancer monoclonal antibodies *abs# 28*

Donata Favretto- IL

Photo(un)stability of drugs and biomarkers *abs# 29*

Zoe A. Arnaut- OC

What makes the strength of very phototoxic photosensitizers *abs# 30*

LUNCH – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

KEYNOTE LECTURE

Serge PICAUD

From photoreceptor light damage to optogenetic and sonogenetic visual restoration *abs# 31*

2:00PM - 2:30PM Golden Ballroom – South

KEYNOTE LECTURE

Chikako NISHIGORI

UV carcinogenesis-update- *abs# 32*

2:30PM - 3:00PM Golden Ballroom - South

AFTERNOON TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - Photobiology and photoprotection in skin of color

Chairs: Antony Young & Indermeet Kohli

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Tasneem Mohammad- IL

Impact of solar ultraviolet radiation and visible light on human skin *abs# 33*

Angeli Eloise Torres- IL

Photodermatoses in Skin of Color *abs# 34*

Antony R Young- IL

Impact of melanin on DNA photodamage and vitamin D synthesis *abs# 35*

Tasneem Mohammad- IL

Photoprotection: Addressing challenges for skin of color *abs# 36*

Concurrent Session 2 - Design of photosensitizing systems with improved efficiency

Chair: Fabienne Dumoulin

3:30PM - 6:00PM..... Golden Ballroom – Centre

Patricia P Vicendo- IL

Synergistic Strategies for Photodynamic Therapy: Harnessing Block Copolymer Nanosystems for Enhanced both Drug Delivery and Photosensitizers Activity *abs# 37*

Janusz M. Dabrowski- IL

Can phthalocyanines be successful photosensitizers in vascular-targeted photodynamic therapy? Evidence from photochemical studies and biological evaluation on hiPSC-derived organoids and rodent models *abs# 38*

Pui Chi Gigi Lo- IL

Inducing Immunogenic Cancer Cell Death through Oxygen-Economized Photodynamic Therapy with Nitric Oxide-Releasing Photosensitizers *abs# 39*

Girgis Obaid- IL

Stroma- and immune-modulating photosensitizing systems: antibody conjugates, lipid nanoparticles, and everything in between *abs# 40*

Fabienne Dumoulin- IL

Formulating and delivering phthalocyanines to cancer cells and tissues *abs# 41*

Concurrent Session 3 - Biomolecular condensates in plant light signaling

Chair: Giltsu Choi

3:30PM - 5:40PM..... Goldsworthy

Giltsu Choi- IL

What is the phyB photobody made of? *abs# 42*

Meng Chen- IL

Function of photobodies in phytochrome signaling in plants *abs# 43*

Xu Wang- IL

Role of CRY2 condensates in controlling light-responsive gene expression in *Arabidopsis* *abs# 44*

Shu-Hsing Wu- IL

Translation control by the cytosolic biomolecular condensate P-bodies optimizes early seedling developments in *Arabidopsis* *abs# 45*

Kuo-Chen Yeh- OC

Circadian Rhythm Regulation by Iron Deficiency and Chloroplast Signaling in *Arabidopsis thaliana* *abs# 46*

Concurrent Session 4 - Quantum efficiency of photobiological processes: an experimental and theoretical view from femtosecond to millisecond time-scale

SFPb symposium

Chair: Michel Sliwa

3:30PM - 6:00PM..... Boardroom

Massimo Olivucci- IL

From color-tuning to optogenetics: relationship between red-light absorption and fluorescence intensity in an archaerhodopsin model. *abs# 47*

Pascale Chagnenet- IL

Multiscale conformational dynamics in proteins and DNA probed by time-resolved circular dichroism from femtoseconds to milliseconds *abs# 48*

Miroslav Klotz- OC

Light activation mechanism of Orange Carotenoid Protein resolved by femtosecond stimulated Raman Spectroscopy *abs# 49*

Keiichi Inoue- IL

Spectroscopic study on the photoreaction dynamics of ion-transporting microbial rhodopsins *abs# 50*

Nanna Holmgaard List- IL

To twist or not to twist: photoisomerization bottlenecks in negative reversibly photo switchable fluorescent proteins *abs# 51*

Michel SLIWA- IL

How the protein cage controls the photoswitching mechanism of reversibly photoswitchable fluorescent proteins. *abs# 52*

Concurrent Session 5 - Designed Photoenzymes

Chairs: Silvia Braslavsky & Pavel Müller

3:30PM - 6:00PM Hamersley - North

Silvia E Braslavsky- IL

Natural photoenzymes *abs# 13*

Pavel Müller- IL

Fatty Acid Photodecarboxylase (FAP): a gateway to non-fossil hydrocarbon fuels and beyond... *abs# 14*

Junpei Yamamoto- IL

Enhanced light-driven DNA repair by a photolyase bearing an artificial light-harvesting chromophore *abs# 15*

Bo Zhuang- IL

Photoswitching of Flavin–Inhibitor Complexes in Flavoenzymes *abs# 16*

IUPB Board Meeting

6:00PM - 7:30PM..... Pilbara

Tuesday, 27th August 2025

IUPB FINSEN MEDAL LECTURE

Kristian BERG

Photochemical internalization (PCI). From microscopy to clinic. *abs# 55* 8:30AM -

9:15AM.....Golden Ballroom - South

IUPB FINSEN LECTURE

Keiichi INOUE

Where do microbial rhodopsins come from? What are they? Where are they going? *abs# 56*

9:15AM - 9:45AMGolden Ballroom - South

MORNING TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - What's new and controversial on sunscreens and photoprotection

Chair: Henry Lim

10:15AM - 12:25PM Golden Ballroom - South



Yolanda Gilaberte - IL

Usefulness of the SmartPDT® digital medical device to optimise the effectiveness and safety of natural daylight PDT (NDL-PDT): a clinical study in Spain *abs# 57*

Juliette Bertrand- IL

Long-lasting and safe photoprotection using a skin-bioadhesive technology: a proof of concept with a novel M10 skin-bioadhesive UVA filter - SPONSORED BY: SKINOSIVE *abs# 58*

Henry W Lim- IL

Personalized photoprotection *abs# 59*

Marie-Dominique Galibert- IL

UV-exposure shapes melanoma biology & response to treatment *abs# 60*

Antony R Young- OC

Innovative medical app that uses real-time satellite data and AI to optimise sun exposure behaviour *abs# 61*

Concurrent Session 2 - Cell death mechanisms involved in photodynamic activation

Chair: Tayyaba Hasan

10:15AM - 12:25PM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Huang Chiao Huang- IL

Photoimmunoconjugate nanoconstructs and their multi-tiered cancer targeting mechanisms *abs# 62*

Chae Gyu Lee- IL

Targeted oxidation of HSP90 paralogs induces endoplasmic reticulum stress-mediated immunogenic cell death *abs# 63*

Lígia C. Gomes-da-Silva- IL

Mechanisms of cell death induced by photo-activated bacteriochlorins that accumulate at the endoplasmic reticulum and Golgi compartments *abs# 64*

Tae-Hyuk Kwon- IL

Photodynamic Therapy-Induced Cell Death Based on Targeted Organelles *abs# 65*

Saptaswa Dey- OC

Enhanced phototherapeutic efficacy through microbial modulation in cutaneous T-cell lymphoma delays tumour growth and increases survival in the murine EL4 model abs# 66

Concurrent Session 3 - Photobiology in aquatic phototrophs

Chairs: Devaki Bhaya & Arthur Grossman

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Goldsworthy

Xiaobo Li- IL

Biogenesis and regulation of light-harvesting systems in diatoms abs# 67

Marianne Jaubert- IL

Phytochromes mediate depth sensing and photoacclimation in marine diatoms abs# 68

Maria Agustina Dominguez Martin- IL

Study of the biodiversity in photosynthetic light harvesting and regulation in cyanobacteria abs# 69

Devaki Bhaya- IL

Phototaxis and motility in natural and synthetic communities abs# 70

Emina A Stojković- OC

Photoreception and signaling in bacterial phytochrome revealed by single particle cryo-EM abs# 318

Concurrent Session 4 - Photoreactivity of biomolecules: diversity in the mechanisms

SFPb symposium

Chair: Patricia Vicendo

10:15AM - 12:25PM..... Boardroom

Virginie Lhiaubet-Vallet- IL

Photochemistry of DNA: The role of lesions abs# 71

Pascale Chagnenet- IL

Reversible photoregulation of G-quadruplex DNA structures by non-covalent azobenzene derivatives abs# 72

Ignacio Vayá- IL

Photobehavior of gefitinib and its photoactive metabolites in solution and in protein media abs# 73

Patricia P Vicendo- IL

Shedding Light on Photoreactivity of Photosensitizer-Loaded Copolymer Micelles with Lipid Membrane Models abs# 74

Ana Borrego-Sánchez- OC

BINDING/UNBINDING PROPERTIES OF INDOLE-BASED DIOXETANES IN DNA abs# 75

Concurrent Session 5 - Photosystem II and water oxidation

Chair: Nick Cox

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Hamersley - North

Nick Cox- IL

Activation of the Mn₄CaO₅ cofactor of Photosystem II as studied by High Field EPR and MCD spectroscopy abs# 76

Michi Suga- IL

Real-Time Structural Changes during the S1-S2-S3 state transitions of the Kok cycle of Photosystem II Caught by Time-Resolved Crystallography abs# 77

Dimitrios A. Pantazis- IL

Of spins and electrons: deciphering biological water oxidation abs# 78

Alireza Ariafard- IL

Elucidating the Mechanisms of O₂ Species Formation in Photosystem II: Insights from Computational Studies abs# 79

Concurrent Session 6 – Nanobioplasmonics

Chair: Tomoko Inose

10:15AM - 11:45AM..... Hamersley - South

Hiroshi Uji-i- IL

Visualization of intercellular communication upon photo-thermal therapy in 3D tumor model abs# 80

Tomoko Inose- IL

Plasmonic nanowire single live-cell endoscopy toward intracellular material delivery abs# 81

Alison M Funston- IL

Precision Assembly of Nanoparticle Superstructures using DNA abs# 82

(GROUP PHOTO ON POOL DECK BEFORE LUNCH – 12:25PM)
LUNCH – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

POSTER SESSION

1:30PM - 3:30PM.....Golden Ballroom North + Foyer 1 & 2

AFTERNOON TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - PDT combinations and drug delivery

Chair: Kristian Berg

3:30PM - 6:00PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Alf Kristian - IL

Light-enhanced VEGF121/rGel induce immunogenic cell death and increase the antitumor activity of α CTLA4 treatment abs# 83

Girgis Obaid - IL

Targeting and blocking the PD-L1 immune checkpoint in pancreatic cancer using self-penetrating, light-responsive liposomes. abs# 84

Lígia C. Gomes-da-Silva - IL

The Crucial Role of Atropisomerism in Enhancing Amphiphilicity and Cellular Internalization of Photosensitizers abs# 85

Takashi Ohtsuki - IL

Cell-penetrating peptide/photosensitizer conjugates for photo-triggered cytosolic delivery of RNAs and peptides abs# 86

Brian C. Wilson - IL

Photochemical immune stimulation of melanoma abs# 87

Concurrent Session 2 - Biodiversity in photosynthetic light harvesting and regulation

ISPR symposium

Chair: Roberta Croce

3:30PM - 5:50PM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Roberta Croce- IL

Balancing Photon Harvesting Between Photosystems abs# 88

Lijin Tian- IL

Biodiversity of Nonphotochemical Quenching abs# 89

Herbert van Amerongen- IL

Biophysical Insights into Light Harvesting Acclimation and Regulation in Oxygenic Photosynthesis abs# 90

Dennis Nürnberg- IL

Diversity and evolution of far-red light photoacclimation in cyanobacteria abs# 91

Sheona N Innes- OC

Using blue light to control transpiration: improving growth in low VPD abs# 92

Andrei Herdean- OC

Assessing temperature and light interactions on non-photochemical quenching in microalgae abs# 93

Concurrent Session 3 - Melanin pigments: how photochemistry affects their biological role

Chair: Tadeusz Sarna

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Goldsworthy

Shosuke Ito- IL

Photo-modification of Eumelanin and Pheomelanin and Its Biological Implications abs# 94

Antony R Young- IL

Modification of DNA photodamage by melanin in human skin in vivo abs# 95

Mauricio Baptista- IL

Photosensitization of melanin in skin cells and in hair fibers abs# 96

Tadeusz Sarna- IL

Photooxidation of eumelanin affects its efficiency to photogenerate and quench singlet oxygen abs# 97

Concurrent Session 4 - Nanobiophotonics - nanoscience to address biological challenges

Chair: Maria Jose Marin Altaba

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Boardroom

Francesco Baldini- IL

Molecular beacons as optical switching probes for intracellular theranostics and optical biosensing abs# 98

Francisco Galindo- IL

Applications of minimalistic delocalized lipophilic cations: from nanocarriers to mitochondrial markers abs# 99

Antonio Benayas- IL

Luminescence nanoparticles as "our spies inside" for manometry or thermometry at the biomedical arena abs# 100

Maria Jose Marin Altaba- IL

Exploring the potential of fluorescent nanoprobe for the versatile detection and quantification of nitric oxide in live cells abs# 101

Concurrent Session 5 - Melanoma heterogeneity and therapeutic approaches

Chair: Nikolas Haass

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Hamersley - North

Mitchell S Stark- IL

The genomic landscape of melanoma-prone skin abs# 102

Vivian Chua- IL

Dissecting the roles of BAP1 in uveal melanoma abs# 103

Peter Lau- IL

BackTIL the Future: Cell Therapy for Immunotherapy Resistant Metastatic Melanoma abs# 104

Nikolas Haass- IL

Targeting Melanoma Heterogeneity to Improve both Targeted and Immune Therapy abs# 105

Concurrent Session 6 - Photosensitivity diseases and photodiagnosics

Chair: Sally Ibbotson

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Hamersley - South

Piergiacomo Calzavara-Pinton- IL

Immunological photodermatoses and photoaggravated diseases abs# 106

Henry W Lim- IL

What's New in Drug, Genetic and Metabolic Photodermatoses? abs# 107

Sally H Ibbotson- IL

Shedding Light on Photodiagnosics abs# 108

Yolanda Gilaberte- IL

Photoprotection and management of the photosensitivity diseases abs# 109

IUPB General Assembly

Appointment of President and Vice Presidents

6:00PM - 7:00PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Wednesday, 28th August 2025

IUPB FINSEN MEDAL LECTURE

Jean KRUTMANN

Beyond DNA repair: Novel functions of Cockayne syndrome B (CSB) and Xeroderma pigmentosum A (XPA) proteins abs# 110

8:30AM - 9:15AM..... Golden Ballroom - South

KEYNOTE LECTURE

Francesca TOMA

Advancements in Solar Fuel Generation: Exploring the Frontier of Artificial Photosynthesis abs# 111

9:15AM - 9:45AM..... Golden Ballroom - South

MORNING TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - Hyperpigmentation. The role of visible light

Chair: Françoise Bernerd

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

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Michelle Rodrigues- IL

Hyperpigmented disorders, role of sunlight and photoprotection needs *abs# 122*

Henry Lim- IL

Impact of visible light on human skin *abs# 217*

Francoise Bernerd- IL

New insights in visible light-induced pigmentation and means of protection *abs# 124*

Antony R Young- IL

A new sunscreen filter protects against pigmentation, and molecular damage *in vivo* and *in vitro* at the UVA/visible boundary region *abs# 125*

Concurrent Session 2 - Endogenous photosensitizers and the skin redoxome

Chair: Mauricio Baptista

10:15AM - 12:45PM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Rachel Neale- IL

Balancing the harms and benefits of sun exposure *abs# 116*

Charareh Pourzand- IL

Ironing out skin photoaging with multifunctional natural-based products with potent iron chelating and antioxidant properties *abs# 117*

Shiyong Wu- IL

cNOS: A Key Regulator of Redox Homeostasis and DNA-damage Repair in Skin Cells Post-UV Exposure *abs# 118*

Tadeusz Sarna- IL

Oxidative modifications of melanin pigments increase their photosensitizing ability *abs# 119*

Mauricio Baptista- IL

Visible light excites lipofuscin and induces photoaging in skin cells *abs# 120*

Lohanna F Lopes- OC

Photosensitization of FICZ and ICZ in mimetic models of membranes *abs# 121*

Concurrent Session 3 - Photodynamic therapy resistance mechanisms in cancer

NOFFOF symposium

Chair: Pål Kristian Selbo

10:15AM 12:15PM..... Boardroom

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Tayyaba Hasan- IL

Photosensitization as a Tool for addressing Drug Resistance *abs# 126*

Adriana G. Casas- IL

Can cancer cells escape photodynamic therapy? *abs# 127*

Yolanda Gilaberte- IL

Resistance in non-melanoma skin cancer: how to overcome it *abs# 128*

Pål Kristian Selbo- IL

Using PCI to overcome PDT resistance mechanisms in cancer *abs# 129*

Concurrent Session 4 - Photoimmunology: effect of solar radiation on the immune system

MEPSA symposium

Chair: Scott Byrne

10:15AM - 12:35PM..... Hamersley - North

Dmitri Krysko- IL

Advancing Glioma Immunotherapy: Photodynamic Therapy-Induced Immunogenic Cell Death and Dendritic Cell Vaccines *abs# 130*

Kurt Q Lu- IL

Repairing a sunburn: flipping the skin-immune switch *abs# 131*

Rachael A Ireland- IL

More than skin-deep: exploring the immunomodulatory effects of ultraviolet radiation *abs# 132*

Margaret Clark- IL

Seasonal sunlight exposure (daylength and UV) is associated with regulatory T-cell and Th17 levels in adolescent and adult females, a potential risk factor for MS *abs# 133*

Shoaib Anwaar- OC

The role of UV-induced regulatory T cells in the establishment of Cutaneous Squamous Cell Carcinoma *abs# 134*

Concurrent Session 5 - Acclimation of photosynthetic machineries

Chair: Jun Minagawa

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Hamersley - South

Jun Minagawa- IL

State Transition in Green Algae : Structural Dynamics and Evolutionary Perspectives *abs# 136*

Michael Hippler- IL

A dynamic pair: Photosystem I and the cytochrome *b₆f* complex in focus *abs# 137*

Matt Johnson- IL

Rewiring photosynthetic electron transfer using CRISPR-Cas9 gene editing *abs# 138*

Toru Kondo

Photosynthetic light-harvesting regulation utilizing protein dynamics *abs# 139*

LUNCH – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

KEYNOTE LUNCH LECTURE - Henry LIM - Beyond sunscreens: Oral and systemic photoprotection

Beyond sunscreens: Oral and systemic photoprotection *abs# 123*

12:45PM - 1:45PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Join us for a keynote lecture during lunchtime in the Golden Ballroom (South). Please feel free to grab your lunch and bring it with you to enjoy while listening to this important presentation.

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Concurrent Session 1 – Phototherapy

Chair: Franz Trautinger

2:00PM - 3:00PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Monisha Gupta-IL

Phototherapy of inflammatory skin diseases in 2024 *abs# 140*

Giovanni Leone-IL

Phototherapy of vitiligo *abs# 141*

Ni Zeng-OC

Research progress and trends in laser treatment of acne scars:a bibliometric analysis of related research over the period of 2014-2023 *abs# 142*

Concurrent Session 2 - Role of nanoparticles in PDT and beyond

Chair: Gang Zheng

2:00PM - 3:00PM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Juyoung Yoon-IL

Recent Progress on Phototherapy and Fluorescent Imaging Probes *abs# 143*

Wei Deng-IL

New treatment option for rectal cancer: X-ray activated photodynamic therapy *abs# 144*

Concurrent Session 3 - Plant responses to UV-B mediated by the UVR8 photoreceptor

Chair: Ruohe Yin

2:00PM - 3:00PM..... Goldsworthy

Dongping Zhong-IL

Dynamics and mechanism of UVR8 dimer dissociation *abs# 146*

Sourav Datta-IL

Role of BBX proteins in UV-B signaling *abs# 147*

Concurrent Session 4 - Role of UV radiation in the breakdown of plastic waste

Chair: Anthony Andradý

2:00PM - 3:00PM Boardroom

Young Kyoung Song-IL

Photooxidation-Induced Weathering and Fragmentation of Thermoplastics under Simulated Sunlight Exposure *abs# 148*

Saad Khan-IL

Harnessing, protecting from, and evaluating effects of UV radiation: Case studies of cellulose nanocrystals, nanodiamond-laden gels and biodegradable polymers *abs# 149*

Concurrent Session 5 - Ocular photobiology : non-visual interaction of light with eye

Chair: Patrick Rochette

2:00PM - 3:00PM Hamersley - North

Tony Bergen-IL

Flicker and other effects of Temporal Light Modulation (TLM) *abs# 150*

Shosuke Ito-IL

How is the RPE melanin modified during the life-long exposure to sunlight? *abs# 151*

Concurrent Session 6 - Keratinocyte cancer – prediction, prevention, diagnosis – skin photoaging.

Oral Communications Symposium

Chair: James Wells

2:00PM - 3:00PM..... Hamersley - South

Julianne C Nayar-OC

Cyclic AMP-regulatory element-binding protein: A novel early marker that could predict the efficacy of sun protective agents in reducing skin carcinogenesis. *abs# 152*

Celina Pihl-OC

Efficacy of oral nicotinamide monotherapy versus combinational treatments in the prevention of ultraviolet radiation-induced skin cancer *abs# 153*

Maria Parra Reyes-OC

Reversing the carcinogenesis-enhancing effects of tacrolimus following exposure to UVB light *abs# 219*

Xiupin Wu-OC

Mueller matrix-based label-free measurement of structures of skin *abs# 154*

AFTERNOON TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - Phototherapy (Continued)

Chair: Franz Trautinger

3:30PM - 5:00PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Franz Trautinger -IL

Phototherapy of cutaneous T-cell lymphomas *abs# 156*

Rolf-Markus Szeimies-IL

Photodynamic Therapy of Non-Oncologic Skin Conditions *abs# 157*

Sally H Ibbotson-IL

Human exposure to Far-UVC: balancing risk and benefit *abs# 158*

Concurrent Session 2 - Role of nanoparticles in PDT and beyond (Continued)

Chair: Gang Zheng

3:30PM - 4:30PM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Vincent SOL-IL

Natural Nanoparticle-Photosensitizer complexes: From design to photodynamic therapy (PDT) application. *abs# 159*

Gang Zheng-IL

Porphysome Nanotechnology: Beyond Lab, Beyond Light and Beyond Cancer *abs# 160*

Huang Chiao Huang-IL

A new nanoformulation of verteporfin for photodynamic therapy of glioblastoma *abs# 145*

Concurrent Session 3 - Plant responses to UV-B mediated by the UVR8 photoreceptor (Continued)

Chair: Ruohe Yin

3:30PM - 4:30PM..... Goldsworthy

Sridevi Sureshkumar-IL

Plants to humans: Arabidopsis for translational research *abs# 161*

Ruohe YIN-IL

Functional characterization of tomato COP1, COP1h and SPA3 in UVR8-mediated UV-B signaling *abs# 162*

Concurrent Session 4 - Role of UV radiation in the breakdown of plastic waste (Continued)

Chair: Anthony Andradý

3:30PM - 4:30PM..... Boardroom

Liping Zhu-IL

The design of nanomaterials for degradation of plastics and toxic compounds by UV-radiation *abs# 163*

Halim Redhwi-IL

Photodegradation of Plastics and Wood-Plastic Composites under Desert Natural Weathering Conditions *abs# 164*

Concurrent Session 5 - Ocular photobiology : non-visual interaction of light with eye (Continued)

Chair: Patrick Rochette

3:30PM - 4:40PM..... Hamersley - North

Patrick J Rochette-IL

Toxic synergistic toxicity between blue light and atmospheric pollutants for the retina *abs# 165*

Yujie Dr Wu-OC

Melanopic equivalent daylight illuminance regulated by smart shading in office buildings *abs# 166*

Tony Bergen-IL

The right light at the right time in the right place: Optimising lighting to promote well-being *abs# 167*

Annette Hoskin-OC

A new light-adaptive lens improves vision in challenging and varying light situations *abs# 220*

Concurrent Session 6 - Keratinocyte cancer – prediction, prevention, diagnosis – skin photoaging. (Continued)

Oral Communications Symposium

Chair: James Wells

3:30PM - 3:50PM..... Hamersley - South

Ni Zeng-OC

N6-Methyladenosine Modification in UVB-induced Cellular Senescence of Skin Photoaging *abs# 155*

Congress Dinner - 7:00PM - 11:00PM

Frasers at Kings Park

Buses will begin transporting guests from Pan Pacific reception at 7.00pm

You must have pre-purchased dinner tickets.

Thursday, 29th August 2025

MEPSA AWARD Vivienne Reeve Lecture

Prue H HART

Photobiological mechanisms in the development and treatment of multiple sclerosis *abs# 168*

8:30AM - 9:15AM..... Golden Ballroom - South

KEYNOTE LECTURE

Tayyaba HASAN

A perspective on photodynamic activation *abs# 216*

9:15AM - 9:45AM..... Golden Ballroom - South

MORNING TEA – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

Concurrent Session 1 - Novel approaches to photochemical mechanisms in PDT

Chair: Santi Nonell

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Roger Bresolí Obach - IL

Lighting the way: Cluster-triggered emission materials as an upstart for the development of biophotonic applications *abs# 170*

Alexander Greer- IL

Using photochemistry to help solve problems in photomedicine and photobiology: Mechanistic details *abs# 171*

Buhong Li- IL

Enhanced singlet oxygen generation for Hemoporphin-mediated photodynamic therapy *abs# 172*

Santi Nonell- IL

Photochemical strategies to overcome hypoxia in photodynamic therapy *abs# 173*

Concurrent Session 2 - Biomolecular and biohybrid systems for solar energy conversion

Chair: Roberta Croce

10:15AM - 11:45AM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Ardemis Boghossian- IL

Bringing living photovoltaics to life with nanobioengineering *abs# 112*

Joanna Kargul- IL

Solar-driven biocatalysis for unlocking a sustainable future *abs# 113*

Margot Jacquet- IL

Molecular engineering of the abiotic/biotic interface for efficient solar-converting biophotovoltaics *abs# 114*

Concurrent Session 3 - Light dosimetry and delivery in tissue in PDT

Chair: Luis Arnaut

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Goldsworthy

Brian C. Wilson- IL

PhotoDynamic Therapy Dosimetry: Where from? Where to? *abs# 174*

Georges Wagnieres- IL

Optimal positioning of cylindrical light distributors used for interstitial PDT *abs# 175*

Lothar Lilge- IL

Interstitial PDT treatment planning: Managing dosimetry with heterogeneities and uncertainties. *abs# 176*

Luis G Arnaut- IL

Flash Photodynamic Therapy (Flash-PDT) *abs# 177*

Concurrent Session 4 - Photosynthetic pigments: Tetrapyrroles & carotenoids

Chair: Tatsuru Masuda

10:15AM - 12:25PM..... Boardroom

Koichi Kobayashi- IL

Membrane lipids play crucial roles in chlorophyll biosynthesis during chloroplast biogenesis *abs# 178*

Peter J. NIXON- IL

Involvement of a 'super-rogue' photosystem II complex in chlorophyll *f* biosynthesis *abs# 179*

Yusuke Tsukatani- IL

Biosynthetic pathways for chlorophyll pigments branched by chlorophyllide oxidoreductase and their evolution *abs# 180*

Tatsuru Masuda- IL

Alternative localization of HEME OXYGENASE 1 in plant cells regulates cytosolic heme catabolism *abs# 181*

Volha Chukhutsina- OC

The role of the carotenoid β -ring and the N-terminal domain in the OCP photocycle: new insights *abs# 182*

Concurrent Session 5 - Light in the onset, prevention and treatment of myopia

Chair: Gareth Lingham

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Hamersley - North

Loren (Loreto) Rose- IL

Current Treatment Interventions for Myopia Progression in Children *abs# 183*

Raymond P. Najjar- IL

Light-based interventions for myopia prevention and control: from bench to classrooms *abs# 184*

David A Mackey- IL

Biomarkers of sun exposure and eye diseases: Pterygium and Myopia (opposite sides of the coin) *abs# 185*

Yongli Zhou- IL

Investigating the Effects of Short-term, Supra-threshold Red Laser Light Irradiation on Retinal Structure and Function in Pigmented Rabbits *abs# 186*

Concurrent Session 6 - Computational chemistry and photochemistry of biological and nanotechnological systems

Chair: Daniel Roca-Sanjuán

10:15AM - 12:15PM..... Hamersley - South

Daniel Roca-Sanjuán- IL

Multiconfigurational quantum chemistry to study macromolecular systems in photobiology *abs# 187*

Elise Dumont- IL

Multiscale simulations insights into triplet thymine formation and reactivity. *abs# 188*

Antonio Francés-Monerris- IL

Light-induced anticancer therapies: A computational perspective *abs# 189*

Cheol Ho Choi- IL

MRSF-TDDFT: A New Quantum Mechanical Workhorse for Photobiology *abs# 190*

LUNCH – GOLDEN BALLROOM NORTH + FOYERS 1 & 2

KEYNOTE LUNCH LECTURE – Robert RAMSAY

PHOTOCHECK - Photodynamic Therapy with Checkpoint Inhibition for Elimination of Anal SCC *abs# 191*

12:45PM - 1:45PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

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KEYNOTE LECTURE

Maria Gabriela LAGORIO

Integrating plant fluorescence, photosynthesis dynamics and the surveillance of chemical risk in the environment *abs# 192*

2:00PM - 2:30PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

KEYNOTE LECTURE

Anthony ANDRADY

Microplastics and solar UV radiation *abs# 193*

2:30PM - 3:00PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Concurrent Session 1 - Photosynthetic organisms as biofactories

Chair: Yagut Allahverdiyeva-Rinne

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Golden Ballroom - South

Yagut Allahverdiyeva-Rinne

Biocatalytic production of solar chemicals by photosynthetic microbes *abs# 194*

Bruno E Rojas

SynBio strategies in photoautotrophs for improved carbon fixation, growth, and yield *abs# 195*

SARAH D'ADAMO

Engineering solar lipid production in oleaginous microalgae: a focus on the prospects and challenges on the path to optimization and industrialization. *abs# 196*

Iftach Yacoby

Exploring the Marvels of Anoxic Photosynthesis for Revolutionary Agri-Energy Production *abs# 197*

Concurrent Session 2 - Photodiagnosis and photodynamic therapy

Chair: Qian Peng

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Golden Ballroom - Centre

Colin Hopper

Current status and future opportunities in PDT *abs# 198*

Kate Drummond

Fluorescence-guided resection of brain tumours with ALA *abs# 199*

Ravindra Pandey

Photoacoustic imaging and photodynamic therapy efficacy of polyacrylamide and gold nanoparticles containing near infrared photosensitizers *abs# 200*

Qian Peng

Modification of extracorporeal photopheresis with 5-aminolevulinic acid (Gliolan) *abs# 201*

Concurrent Session 3 - Mechanisms of defense against sunlight induced DNA damage

Chair: Carlos F M Menck

3:30PM - 6:00PM..... Goldsworthy

Carlos F M Menck

Sunlight oxidative impact in xeroderma pigmentosum variant mutagenesis and tumors *abs# 202*

Glaucia Martinez

Novel insights about melanoma response after melanogenesis stimulation and phototherapy *abs# 203*

Gerd P Pfeifer

The role of UVA and UVB induced DNA damage and mutations in melanoma *abs# 204*

John J Wyrick

Genome-wide studies of nucleotide excision and photolyase repair mechanisms for UV damage in yeast *abs# 205*

Hannah E. Wilson

Genome-wide impact of cytosine methylation on UV-induced damage formation *abs# 206*

Masaoki Kawasumi

The effect of UV-induced *Cdkn2a/p16* promoter mutations on the binding of ETS transcription factors *abs# 207*

Catharina M Lerche

Effect of dose-delivery and exposed area on thymidine dimer excretion in urine. -A study in healthy volunteers *abs# 208*

Concurrent Session 4 - ROS & nitric oxide in PDT

Chair: Salvatore Sortino

3:30PM - 5:30PM..... Boardroom

Amedea B Seabra

State-of-the-Art and Perspectives for Nanomaterials Combined with Nitric Oxide Donors for Biomedical Applications *abs# 209*

Salvatore Sortino

Molecular and supramolecular constructs for combined PDT and NO-PDT *abs# 210*

Roberto Santana da Silva

Nitric oxide derivative ruthenium compounds as prototypes for Photodynamic Therapy and X-ray Photodynamic Therapy with low radiation doses *abs# 211*

Fabiana Quaglia

Tailoring nanocarriers to empower the therapeutic potential of photosensitizers *abs# 212*

Concurrent Session 5 - Photobiology and Antarctic organisms

Chair: Melinda Waterman

3:30PM - 5:40PM..... Hamersley - North

Melinda Waterman

Ultraviolet photoprotection in Antarctic mosses and liverworts *abs# 215*

Alicia Victoria Perera Castro

Sunheat, water content and temperature as the main drivers of carbon uptake capacity of mosses *abs# 214*

Friday, 30th August 2025

Activities Day

[Captain Cook Cruise: Fremantle Lunch Cruise \(2 hrs 45 mins\)](#)

Date: Friday 30th August

Departing Fremantle: 11:15am

Returning: 2:00pm

Bus Transfers back to Pan Pacific Perth: Approx 2:45pm

Includes scenic Swan River cruise with captain's commentary, buffet lunch, dessert, and two complimentary glasses of house wine, beer, or soft drink.

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POSTERS

Pavithra Ramachandran

Characterization of the possible acclimation strategies and remodeling in photosystems under short-term and long-term hypersaline conditions in *Dunaliella salina*; a halophilic microalgae *abs# 300*

Umit Isci

Functionalized phthalocyanines: synthetic challenges for improved PDT outcomes *abs# 301*

Cesar Bernardo

HUMAN WAVELENGTH DISCRIMINATION THRESHOLD AND SPAN ON THE VISIBLE SPECTRUM. *abs# 302*

Kyujin Kim

Imbalanced Expression of Chlorophyll Biosynthetic Genes Causes Photobleaching in *Arabidopsis* *abs# 303*

Keiichi Hiramoto

Induction of skin cancer by long-term blue light irradiation *abs# 304*

Sally Ibbotson

Persistent phytophotodermatitis masquerading as pyoderma gangrenosum *abs# 305*

Sally H Ibbotson

Photosensitivity Diseases in a Paediatric Population: Lessons Learned from the Scottish Photodiagnostic Service *abs# 306*

Sangwon Cho

Phytochromes inhibit the longitudinal expansion of cotyledon pavement cells *abs# 307*

Mizuki KITAMATSU

Pyrene-modified cyclic peptides for detecting ions in water *abs# 308*

Shota Kawato

Recovery of the absorption band of B800 bacteriochlorophyll *a* in B800-free LH2 under neutral pH conditions *abs# 309*

Rika Tsukame

Simultaneous Detection of Glutathione and Iron Ions in the Frozen Tissues Using Thin-layer Chromatography and Raman Spectroscopy *abs# 310*

Sae Harada

Synthesis of DNA oligomers with Ru complex and regulation of photochemical $^1\text{O}_2$ generation by conformational change *abs# 311*

Shosuke Ito

Unraveling UVA1-induced Photo Modifications of Eumelanin and Pheomelanin: Insights into Pigment Darkening in Human Skin *abs# 312*

Yolanda Gilaberte

ANALYSIS OF THE MODIFICATION OF SKIN AND GUT MICROBIOTA IN PSORIASIS PATIENTS TREATED WITH PHOTOTHERAPY *abs# 313*

Daniel Garama

Identification and characterisation of phyllochlorin sodium, a novel chlorin-derived photosensitiser *abs# 314*

Vincent SOL

Synthesis of new derivatives of purpurine imide for potential phototherapy dynamic applications *abs# 315*

Vincent SOL

Antibacterial activity of photoactivatable CO-releasing molecules (photoCORMs) and corresponding materials based on rhenium(I) complexes and cellulose nanocrystals *abs# 316*

Seb. Marcuccio

Chlorin e6 is not a U.S. FDA Approved Photosensitiser *abs# 317*

Ying Liu

Photoimmunotherapy â how light collaborates with interferon to induce anti-tumor immune responses *abs# 324*

Oral and Poster Abstracts (this selection of abstracts are being presented as both a poster and oral presentation)

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Daisuke Kojima

Differential roles of multiple photoreceptors in regulating background adaptation of zebrafish *abs# 8*

Kuo-Chen Yeh

Circadian Rhythm Regulation by Iron Deficiency and Chloroplast Signaling in *Arabidopsis thaliana* *abs# 46*

Miroslav Kloz

Light activation mechanism of Orange Carotenoid Protein resolved by femtosecond stimulated Raman Spectroscopy *abs# 49*

Sheona N. Innes

Using blue light to control transpiration: improving growth in low VPD *abs# 92*

Lohanna Lopes

Photosensitization of FICZ and ICZ in mimetic models of membranes *abs# 121*

Shoaib Anwaar

The role of UV-induced regulatory T cells in the establishment of Cutaneous Squamous Cell Carcinoma *abs# 134*

Yuan Cai

Research progress and trends in laser treatment of acne scars:a bibliometric analysis of related research over the period of 2014-2023 *abs# 142*

Julianne Nayar

Cyclic AMP-regulatory element-binding protein: A novel early marker that could predict the efficacy of sun protective agents in reducing skin carcinogenesis. *abs# 152*

Celina Pihl

Efficacy of oral nicotinamide monotherapy versus combinational treatments in the prevention of ultraviolet radiation-induced skin cancer *abs# 153*

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Increasing Solar UV Radiation in Dortmund, Germany and Uccle, Belgium â Results of long-term UV-Monitoring *abs# 320*

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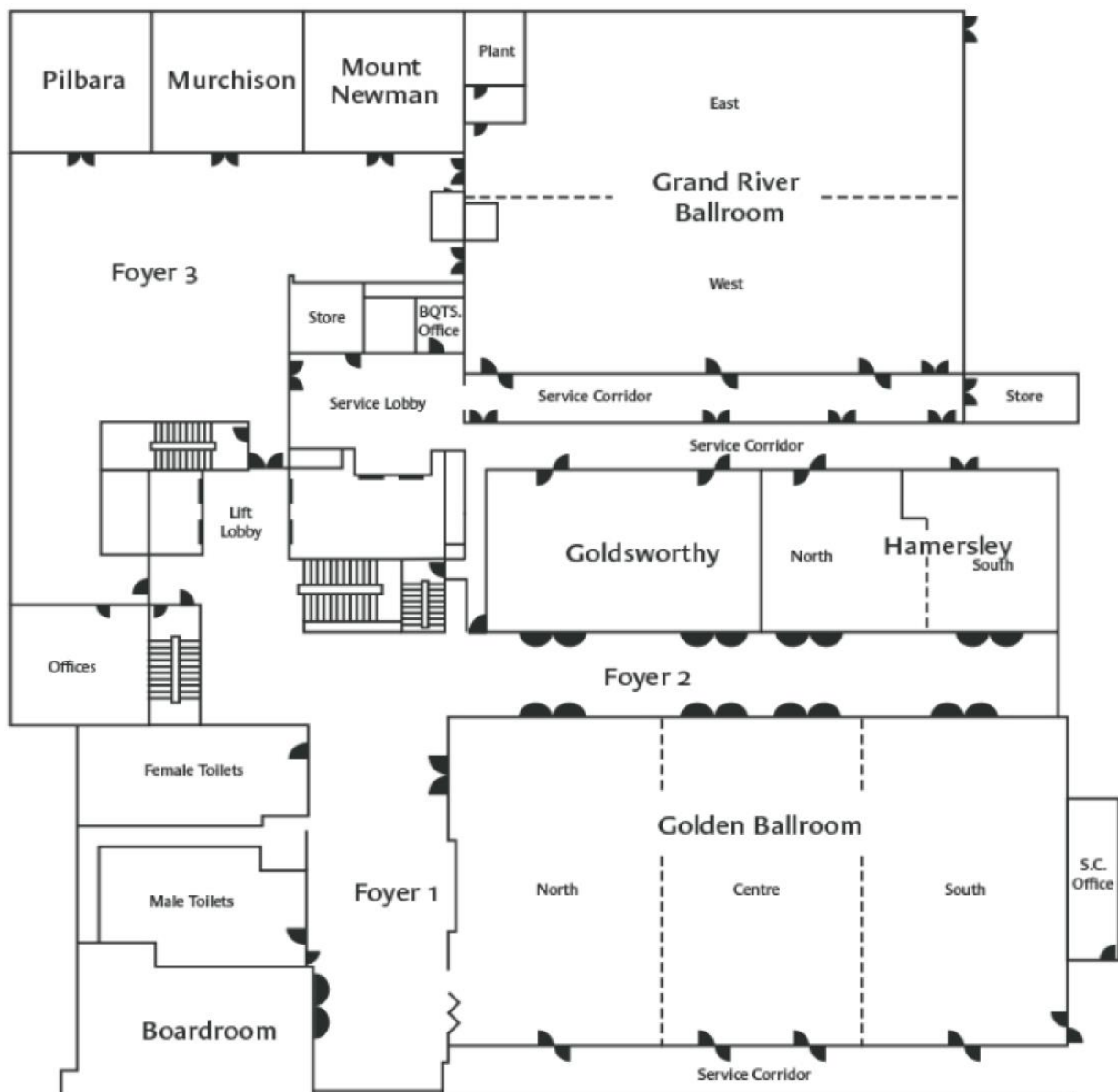
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Plenary: Golden Ballroom South

Breakout Rooms: Golden Ballroom Centre, Golden Ballroom South, Hamersley North and South, Goldsworthy, and Boardroom.

Speaker Prep: Murchison Room

Exhibition Hall/Catering and Posters: Golden Ballroom North and Foyer 1 & 1



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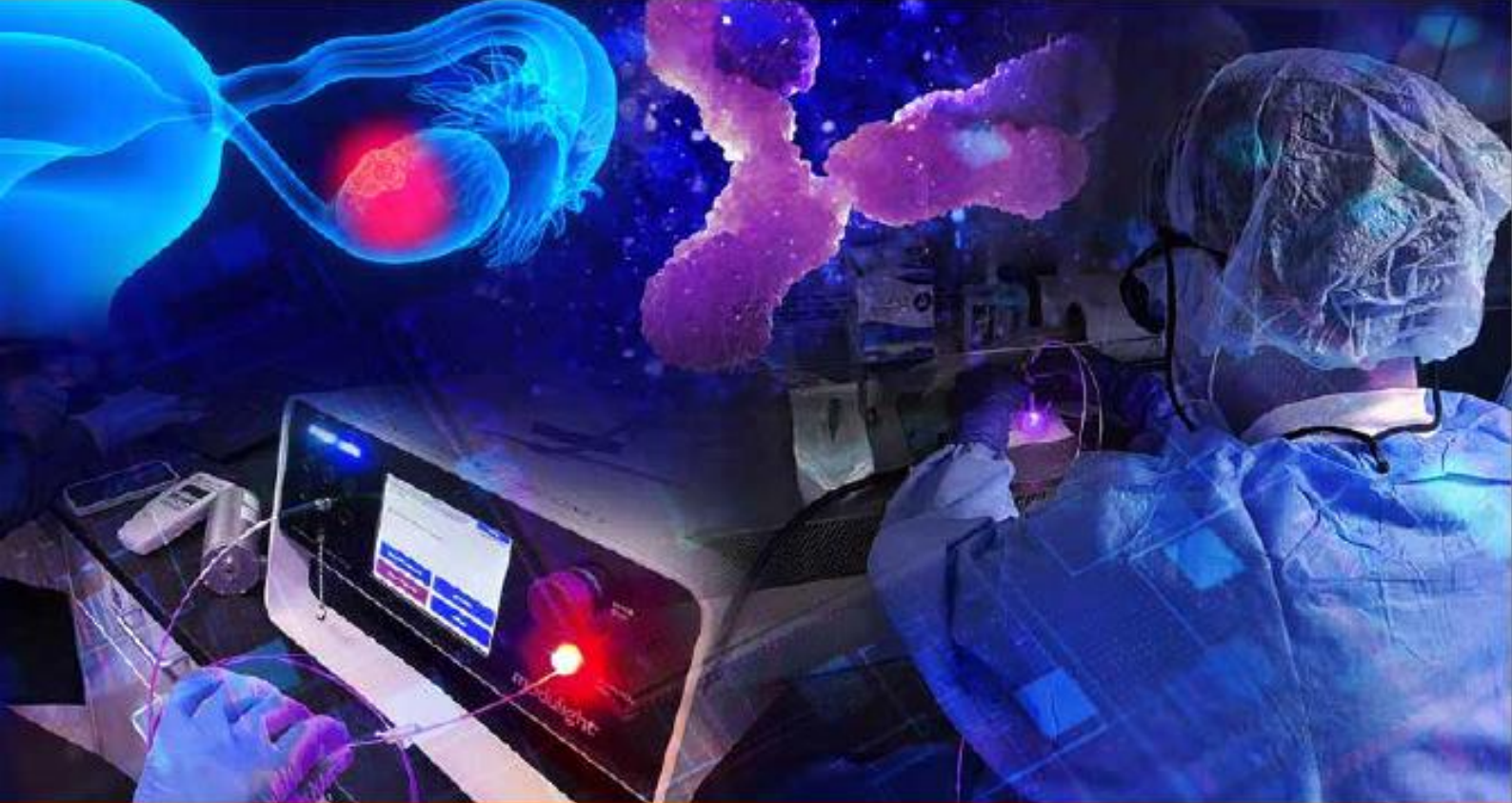
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