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“Mechanics in Morphogenesis”

February 21-23, 2018

Jadwin Hall, Room 407

Workshop Organizers

Andrej Košmrlj, Princeton University
Lisa Manning, Syracuse University
Celeste Nelson, Princeton University
Stas Shvartsman, Princeton University

“Mechanics in Morphogenesis”

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

8:30 Coffee & Light Breakfast

9:15-9:20 Welcome/Introduction

9:20-10:00 Symmetry and Asymmetry controlled by fluid flow
Rebecca Burdine, Princeton University

10:00-10:40 Organ size control by fluid lumen
Takashi Hiragi, European Molecular Biology Laboratory

10:40-11:10 Coffee break

11:10-11:50 Volumetric morphogenesis in the mouse embryo
Sevan Hopyan, Hospital for Sick Children, University of Toronto

11:50-1:30 Lunch at PCTS

12:00-1:00 **MolBio Seminar, Lewis Thomas Lab (LTL), Room 003**
Clustered protocadherins and neuronal self-recognition in vertebrates
Lawrence Shapiro, Columbia University

1:30-2:10 Scaling and positioning of multiple nuclei in muscle cell
Alex Mogilner, NYU Courant Institute

2:10-2:50 Modeling the Mechanics of Segmentation and Polycystic Kidney Disease
James Glazier, Indiana University

2:50-3:20 Coffee break

3:20-4:00 Patterning morphogenesis: lessons from the mammalian epidermis
Danelle Devenport, Princeton University

4:00-4:40 Statics and Dynamics in an Epithelial Cell Layer
Boris Shraiman, University of California, Santa Barbara

4:40-6:30 Poster Session and Welcome Reception

Thursday, February 22, 2018

8:30 AM Coffee & Light Breakfast

9:00-9:40 Tension-based vertex model of epithelial shells: Organoids and embryos
Primož Zihlerl, Institute Jožef Stefan

Thursday, February 22, 2018 (cont.)

9:40-10:20 Cell rearrangement and epithelial tissue mechanics in *Drosophila* development
Karen Kasza, Columbia University

10:20-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-11:40 Cables, fibers, and tissue response to mechanical stress
David Lubensky, University of Michigan

11:40-12:20 Cell shear as a driver of epithelial invagination
Jeremy Green, King's College London

12:20-2:00 Lunch at PCTS, Jadwin Hall, Fourth Floor

2:00-2:40 Biomechanics of early brain morphogenesis in chick embryos
Zi Chen, Dartmouth College

2:40-3:20 Mechanics of the developing brain
Ellen Kuhl, Stanford University

3:20-4:00 Coffee break

4:00-5:00 **Physics Colloquium, Room A-10 Jadwin**
Motifs in morphogenesis
L. Mahadevan, Harvard University

Friday, February 23, 2018

8:30 Coffee & Light Breakfast

9:00-9:40 Entropic constraints in cell lineage tree packings
Jörn Dunkel, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

9:40-10:00 Best poster talk 1

10:00-10:20 Best poster talk 2

10:20-11:00 break

11:00-11:40 Engineering the *in vivo* tissue microenvironment
Kandice Tanner, National Cancer Institute (NIH)

11:40-12:20 Mechanical Tension and Epithelial Mesenchymal Transitions
Eric Wieschaus, Princeton University

12:20-2:00 Conclusion and Lunch at PCTS