

RNA 2019



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Please join us for the **24**TH **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RNA SOCIETY**

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the RNA Society, we have the great pleasure to invite you to attend the 24th Annual Meeting of the RNA Society, which will be held in the historical and charming city of Krakow (Cracow), Poland, from June 11 to June 16, 2019.

This year again, an outstanding headline of presentations and posters selected from submitted abstracts will highlight the most exciting areas of RNA research, and this meeting will aid all enthusiastic RNA scientists from academia and Industry, at all levels of their career, in gathering, synthesising and integrating the most cutting-edge research in the RNA field.

This year, the meeting will feature three Keynote Lectures given by Maria Carmo-Fonseca, Tom Cech, and Phil Sharp, and fourteen plenary or concurrent sessions on topics covering the full spectrum of the RNA biology including: splicing, translation, modification and editing, regulatory RNAs, localisation and transport, synthesis and processing, turnover, catalysis and structure, RNA in disease and therapy. The five days program will also feature selection of specialized scientific workshops, educational and commercial workshops, poster sessions including more than 700 posters, and a podium panel discussion on the future of RNA research and RNA therapy, animated by Tom Cech, Joan Steitz, Gideon Dreyfuss, and few others.

We invite you to join us at the ICE Congress Centre in Krakow where we expect to welcome over 1,000 attendees from around the world at this milestone annual conference. We want to make this meeting very memorable, combining it also with some cultural events (recital of Chopin music by one of the best Polish pianists, performance by high-landers group from Tatra mountains at the Gala Dinner, and more).

We hope that you will take full advantage of this opportunity to network with your RNA colleagues and foster long-lasting collaborations. We look forward to receiving your abstracts and confirmation of your interest in sponsorship and advertising.

See you in Krakow in June 2019.

Sincerely,



Elena®Conti, Max-Planck Institute of Biochemistry, Martinsried, Germany.



Brenda Bass, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, USA



Witold Filipowicz, (Lead Organizer) Friedrich Miescher Institute, Basel, Switzerland



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Gene Yeo,University of California
San Diego, USA



GENERAL INFORMATION, SESSIONS, DATES & TIMES



CONFERENCE DATES AND LOCATION

June 11-16, 2019 Krakow, Poland ICE Congress Centre

PLENARY and CONCURRENT SESSIONS

RNA Modification & Editing
Mechanisms of RNA Splicing
Mechanisms of Translation: From Ribosome
Formation to Polypeptide Release
Regulatory RNAs and RNPs
Synthesis and Processing of RNA
RNA localization & transport
Regulation of mRNA splicing
Interconnected RNA Processes
Translational regulation
RNA in disease & therapy
RNA turnover
Non-coding RNAs: long & short, linear & circular
RNA catalysis, folding & structure
New research trends & technologies

list is subject to change until program is publicized

- POSTER SESSIONS
- PODIUM PANEL DISCUSSION
 "RNA research and RNA therapeutics: past insights and future prospects"
- EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS
- SPONSORED SEMINARS

The RNA 2019 conference will be held in the *ICE Krakow Congress Centre*. Hours are subject to change.

CONFERENCE HOURS AND DATES

Tuesday, June 11	16:00 – 22:00
Wednesday, June 12	09:00 - 22:00
Thursday, June 13	09:00 - 14:00
Friday, June 14	09:00 – 22:00
Saturday, June 15	09:00 – 18:00

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WHY TO SUPPORT THE CONFERENCE?

The RNA Society is a non-profit, international scientific society with more than 1800 members dedicated to fostering research and education in the field of RNA science. The Society's Annual Meeting attracts top researchers from all across the globe, with presentations detailing the very latest discoveries in this field. This is an ideal opportunity for companies to help advance RNA science in a very tangible way, while also having their company more closely associated with top-level research.

- Enjoy networking opportunities with leaders in the international RNA research community.
- Promote your brand in a fast growing marketplace.
- Strengthen your company position to the world RNA research community as a leader in the RNA research.
- Strengthen existing customer relationships and acquire new clients in an exciting and informative atmosphere
- Demonstrate your support to the RNA research community by helping the RNA Society to make an affordable meeting for all scientists



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REGISTRANT DEMOGRAPHICS* **WORK SETTING** Academic Staff 4% Industry Staff 4% Government 2% Academic PI 35% Editors 1% Undergrads 1% **Graduate students** 35% Post doc 18% ■ Male ■ Female **COUNTRY ANALYSIS** S. America <1% Asia 16% N. America 30% Middle East 9% Europe 45% The demographics vary based on meeting location. These numbers are from RNA 2016 in Prague" $\,$

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RNA SOCIETY



2018 EXHIBITORS, SPONSORS and ADVERTISERS

- American Assn for Cancer Research
- Biochemistry
- Biochemistry and Cell Biology
- Brandel
- Cell Research
- Cellecta
- ChemGenes Corporation
- Eclipse Bioinnovations
- Embo Journal
- Horizon
- Journal of Biological Chemistry
- Lexogen
- MDPI Editorial Group
- Molecular Research Center Inc
- New England Biolabs
- Oxford Nanopore
- Qiagen
- Somagenics
- Storm Therapeutics
- Vari-X-Link
- Zymo Research

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Companies are invited to advertise in the RNA 2019 abstract book. The book will be offered in both printed and digital format to all conference participants.

For abstract book ads, send an email to RNA2019@rnasociety.org and you will be referred to our publishing partners at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press. Costs vary depending on ad size and location. For registration inserts, complete and return the applicable SPONSOR/EXHIBITOR APPLICATION on page 13 or download from the conference website. Cost is \$500 per inserted item.

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For additional information email to:

Gianpiero Di Leva RNA 2019 Krakow, Chair Business Development bd@rnasociety.org

SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

A variety of sponsorship opportunities are available to all sponsoring and exhibiting companies of RNA 2019, The Annual Meeting of the RNA Society. A meeting sponsor provides non-exclusive general financial support for the meeting. Session sponsors provide exclusive financial support for one of the two-dozen sessions, workshops, receptions and/or banquet that make up the conference. For a complete list of sponsorship opportunities and benefits, please contact our Chair of Business Development, Gianpiero Di Leva via email at bd@rnasociety.org.

- Welcome Reception (\$5,000)
- Closing Banguet (\$5,000)
- Keynote Lectures (\$5,000)
- Plenary Sessions (\$5,000)
- Concurrent Sessions (\$2,500)
- Workshops (\$1,500)
- Poster Sessions (\$2,500)

BENEFITS

- Sponsor name and logo will be printed on the abstract book Sponsorship page.
- Sponsor will be acknowledged on the conference acknowledgement slides, and mentioned in messages to the conferees.
- Session sponsors will be prominently featured and acknowledged at the beginning of, midway through, and at the end of the sponsored session, as well on electronic screens at the entrances to the session.

HOW TO APPLY

Please fill out the Sponsorship Application Form on page 13 and send it to RNA 2019 as described on the form.

After receiving your application, the Society will send an invoice. Payment is due by check, credit card or bank transfer by the specified date.

For additional information email to:

Gianpiero Di Leva RNA 2019 Krakow, Chair Business Development bd@rnasociety.org

IMPORTANT DATES

December 1, 2018 (estimated)

Registration open

March 10, 2019

Deadline to submit an oral abstract

March 31, 2019

Deadline to submit a poster abstract

April 1, 2019

Deadline to confirm sponsorship for recognition in abstract book

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SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

TRAVEL FELLOWSHIPS – starting at \$1000 (multiple available).

The Society is committed to making our annual meeting affordable for all scientists, and that includes those coming from less affluent countries or laboratories. We have already reserved \$100,000 for travel fellowships to young scientists, but that will meet only 50% of the total need.

Award amounts are open to negotiation but we recommend awards of \$750 (the cost of conference registration), up to \$5000 (complete travel, lodging and conference expenses, plus a ~\$1000 award check).

The sponsor logo will be printed on the abstract book Sponsors page. Please fill out the Application Form on page 13, and send it to RNA2019@rnasociety.org as described on that form.

POSTER AWARDS – starting at \$250 (multiple available).

The Society currently offers a small number of meritbased awards to young scientists, but more such awards are always welcome. Young scientists are invited to submit abstracts detailing their current research, and a committee of scientists selects the winners based on the quality of the research.

Awards categories are open for negotiation. The sponsor may prefer to open awards to all scientists, or to limit awards by scientific subject or geographic location of the applicant.

The sponsor name and logo will be printed on the abstract book Awards page, along with a brief description of the award. Please fill out the Application Form on page 13, and send it to RNA2019@rnasociety.org as described on that form.

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EXHIBIT SPACE

Companies are invited to set up an exhibit at the annual meeting in order to advertise their products and to make direct contact with the conferees.

ACTIVITY: You will be provided one 8-foot table for the display of your products, located in

a high-traffic area amidst coffee breaks, meals and posters. Includes 2 conference badges providing access to the full conference program of sessions, workshops, meals and other events. The badges are NOT valid for participating in the conference program. Submission of an abstract for oral or

poster presentation requires full attendee conference registration.

COST: \$3,000

SCHEDULE: Exhibit table locations, shipping instructions and setup details will be

determined in April, 2019. Exhibitors are not required to be present for all days

of the conference.

HOW TO APPLY: All applicants should complete the APPLICATION FORM on page 13 and

submit it to RNA2019@rnasociety.org.

ENQUIRIES: Enquiries should be directed to RNA2019@rnasociety.org.

NOTES:

 Exhibitors cannot sell their products and services on the premises during the conference.

 All exhibits and decoration must remain within the allotted exhibition space. Taping or anchoring on the floor is prohibited.

The location of exhibit space will be determined by the Society.

 If exhibit space and complementary conference passes are desired, please consider a Silver, Gold or Platinum sponsorship instead.



SPONSORED SEMINARS

Companies are invited to organize a one hour morning seminar (7:45-8:45am) before the start of scheduled sessions, in order to showcase their commitment to RNA biology cutting-edge technologies and to advertise their products/services to a targeted audience in an intimate setting.

ACTIVITY:

The sponsoring company will organize one to three short presentations (representatives from the sponsoring company or invited academics). Sponsor to arrange breakfast for those attending the seminar. Sponsor will receive one conference badge and will have access to the full conference program including sessions, workshops, meals and other events. Sponsor badge is not valid for presenting in the conference program. Submission of an abstract for oral or poster presentation requires full conference registration.

COST:

\$3,000 sponsor fee + additional cost for room, catering and A/V. After receiving your interest, the organizers will contact you to confirm date, location and explain the procedure for completing the booking.

SPECIAL OFFER: combine a sponsored seminar with an exhibit space for total fee of \$5,000 (savings of \$1,000). Limit of 2 total attendee badges included.

SCHEDULE:

Complete details of the seminar, including title, description, presenter names and abstracts must be finalized by April 1, 2019 to be included in the program book.

WHEN:

Wednesday, June 12, 2019. 7:45 - 8:45am Thursday, June 13, 2019. 7:45 - 8:45am Friday, June 14, 2019. 7:45 - 8:45am Saturday, June 15, 2019. 7:45 - 8:45am

HOW TO APPLY:

All applicants should complete the APPLICATION FORM on page 13 and submit it to RNA2019@rnasociety.org.

ENQUIRIES:

Morning seminar enquiries should be directed to <u>RNA2019@rnasociety.org</u> or Gianpiero Di Leva (bd@rnasociety.org).



SPECIAL SPONSORS

	Gold Sponsor \$25,000 (1)	Silver Sponsor \$15,000 (2)	Bronze Sponsor \$10,000 (multiple)
Selection of 1 of the following: - Logo on Bag; - Logo on Pen; - Concurrent Session	√		
Logo on electronic screen at Registration Desk	√		
Special acknowledgements during Opening and Closing Ceremony by the Organisers	√		
Insert flyer or other sponsor item in conference bag	√ (2)	√ (1)	
Sponsored Seminar	√	V	
Logo on Sponsor page of abstract book	√	V	√
Advertisement in abstract book	✓ (Full Page)	✓ (Half page)	√ (Half page)
Complimentary conference badges	4	2	1
Acknowledgement on digital materials during the conference	V	V	√
Exhibit table	V	V	V

All enquiries should be directed to RNA2019@rnasociety.org or Gianpiero Di Leva (bd@rnasociety.org).

SPONSOR/EXHIBITOR APPLICATION FORM



SPONSOR/EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

COMPANY					
Name:					
Address:					
Website:					
CONTACT PE	RSON				
Name:					
Title:					
Telephone:		E-Mail:			
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Gold:		\$25,000		Please submit this form before April 1, 2019 to	
Silver:		\$15,000		receive abstract book acknowledgement.	
Bronze:		\$10,000		If your company is applying for an activity the is no longer available, the administrative teathers.	
SPONSORSHIP	P ACTIVIT	ΓΥ:		and the Chair in Business Development will work with you to identify an alternative option.	
Opening or Clos	sing Gala		\$5,000		
Keynote Lecture	es		\$5,000	 Any unauthorised events or activities, organised by the sponsor, during the 	
Plenary Session	1		\$5,000	conference are prohibited.	
Concurrent Ses	sion		\$2,500	I am authorized to sign documents on behalf of the	
Poster Session			\$2,500	organisation and commit to the sponsorship indicated. I understand that once the sponsorship is	
Workshop			\$1,500	confirmed it is not refundable.	
Exhibit table			\$3,000	Name:	
Sponsored Sem	inar		\$3,000	_	
Seminar/Exhibit	Combo		\$5,000	Signature:Date:	
Bag with sponso	or logo		\$4,000	Payment Info: An invoice will be emailed to the sponsorship applicant upon receipt of the	
Lanyards with s	ponsor log	go 🔲	\$2,000		
Pens with spons			\$2,000	application. Payment will be made in USD.	
Travel Fellowsh	ip		\$		
Poster Award			\$		

