



Chromosome Organization and Cytogenomics 2nd and 3rd July 2010

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One and a half day Session in the Cell Section at the SEB Main Annual Meeting, Clarion Congress Hotel, Prague

We will bring together established and new researchers in the area of chromosome organization and cytogenomics who will discuss the exciting biology which exploits the availability of DNA sequence data and new microscope, cytometry and labelling technologies. Chromosomes, consisting of the DNA packaged into chromatin with the histone proteins, are the critical unit within the nucleus, defining the structural organization which relates to DNA condensation, expression, replication and segregation. They play a key role in maintaining the stability of the genome, in recombination and inheritance, and in genetic diseases, and chromosomal changes are a feature of evolution in many groups of plants and animals. The session will be divided to cover:

- 1) Chromosome evolution and specialized chromosomes
- 2) Heterochromatin and epigenetic chromosome organization at metaphase and interphase
- 3) Structure and evolution of repetitive DNA sequences (including telomeres and centromeres)

Invited Speakers include:

Thomas Cremer, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich
Jennifer Marshall Graves, The Australian National University, Canberra
Paul Fransz, University of Amsterdam
Andrew Leitch, Queen Mary University of London,
Andreas Houben, Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics, Gatersleben
Jiri Macas, Biology Centre ASCR, Ceske Budejovice
Mirislav Plohl, Ruder Boskovic Institute, Zagreb,
Boris Vyskot, Czech Academy of Sciences, Brno,
Raquel Chaves, Institute for Biotechnology and Bioengineering, UTAD, Portugal

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