Motoneurons, Mountains & Mechanisms

12th – 16th June 2022 Banff Centre, Banff AB

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May 21st update

1. Talks are **10 minutes** in length with 5 minutes for discussion and a 15-minute discussion at session end. Please do not go over your 10-minute allotment to allow for questions.

2. Program and abstracts have been updated (attached, see also IMS website).

3. If you have not joined the International Motoneuron Society (IMS), please join at <u>https://motoneuron.org/join-imns/</u>. Membership is free and you will be placed on the email list for announcements about future meetings and other IMS activities.

4. Please find attached a review article by Jacob Blum which will be helpful to provide some background on RNAseq of Motoneurons for Session#5.

5. Talks will be recorded so Zoom attendees from other time zones can watch them. Please email Monica (<u>mag4@ualberta.ca</u>) if you do not want your presentation recorded.

Now for the fun stuff:

1. To check out local hikes near Banff, go to:

https://www.pc.gc.ca/en/pn-np/ab/banff/activ/randonee-hiking/banff

If you like cycling, the Bow Valley Parkway (Highway 1A) is closed for cars until June 25th (bikes and e-bikes only allowed), for details see: <u>https://www.pc.gc.ca/en/pn-np/ab/banff/activ/cyclisme-biking/saisonintermediaire-shoulderseason</u> (lots of bike and e-bike rental places in Banff)

You can access the start of the Bow Valley Parkway from Banff via the Legacy Bike Trail. If you have a car, you can start on the other end of the closed section of the Parkway at Johnston Canyon (take Castle Junction exit and loop back to Johnston Canyon parking lot) for an out and back (17 Km one way) – great family outing (rolling hills only)!







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Previous updates:

Registration for the Banff 2022 meeting is live at this link

https://www.banffcentre.ca/conferences/international-motoneuron-society-meeting which takes you to the Banff Centre webpage.

- After May 15, 2022 rooms secured for the conference will be released.
- Registration closes May 27, 2022.
- If you require information about shuttle service to and from the Calgary airport please visit <u>www.banffairporter.com</u>.
- Find out the entry requirements on the <u>Canadian government website</u> and apply early if you require a visa. Due to the pandemic, we have been advised the processing time may be longer than in pre-pandemic times. You need to download and enter your information on ArriveCan. <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/publichealth/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/arrivecan.html</u>
- There will be a special ALS reception hosted by Project ALS on Tuesday evening see page 7 of program for details.
- In-person posters should be no larger than 4 feet high, 6 feet wide and will be displayed for the entire meeting.
- For virtual poster presenters, we will display your abstracts at the meeting with your email contact information. In person or remote attendees can then contact you directly so that you can present your data (in whatever format you chose) one-on-one. You will need to arrange your own virtual meeting.
- A special tribute to Dr. Marc Binder will occur at the Gala Supper.
- Representatives from Bioelectronica will attend for product demonstrations/info.

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