

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY

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## About the ISCB Student Council

The Student Council is a committee of the International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB), dedicated to facilitating development opportunities for students and young researchers in the field of computational biology and bioinformatics.

## Current Leadership Team

Vijaya Parthiban, Chair
Sarath Chandra Janga, Vice Chair
Mallika Veeramalai, Secretary
Manuel Corpas, Representative to the ISCB Board of Directors
Victor Weigman Jr., Business Relations Committee Chair
Venkata Satagopam, Operations Committee Chair
Sanne Abeln, Marketing Committee Chair
John Cumbers
Nils Gehlenborg
Saraswathi Sundararajan

## Our Representatives at ISMB

Nils Gehlenborg, Sarath Chandra Janga and Victor Weigman Jr. are representing the Student Council at ISMB 2006. See our agenda on the right for opportunities to meet them in person. They can also be reached by email to <code>symposium@iscbsc.org</code> during the conference.

Nils



Victor



## Our Agenda for ISMB 2006

# **Daily Events**

#### **Lunch with the Student Council**

12:30pm - 2:00pm, Hall F (Restaurant)
Tables will be reserved during lunch for Student Council members and anyone else interested. Stop by and say hello!

#### **ISCB Booth**

9:45am - 5:15pm (Wed 1:00pm,Thu 4:00pm), Hall C (Exhibitors) Visit the ISCB booth to find out more about the Student Council and the ISCB.

#### **Announcements on the Student Council Website**

24 hours a day, http://www.iscbsc.org

Check our website regularly for the latest announcements regarding our ISMB agenda. We will have a special page just for ISMB.

## Sunday, August 6th

#### 2nd ISCB Student Council Symposium

8:45am - 5:30pm, Room A (2nd floor)

Philip E. Bourne, Reinhard Schneider and Julio Collado-Vides will present keynotes and give some insight into how to become a successful computational biologist. A poster session and student presentations complement the scientific program. ISCB president Michael Gribskov will deliver the closing remarks.

The following organizations are supporting this event:



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#### **Symposium Dinner**

7:30 pm, Churrascaria Sal e Brasa, Av. Abolicao, 3500, Meireles A great chance to get to know each other before ISMB kicks off. Meet fellow students and researchers to find out what people are doing outside your lab. This evening promises plenty of networking opportunities in a relaxed atmosphere.

## Monday, August 7th

#### **Awards Presentation**

12:35pm - 2:00pm, Room E2

We will present the winners of the "Best Poster Award" (sponsored by BMC Bioinformatics) and the "Best Paper Award" (sponsored by Bioinformatics) for the 2nd ISCB Student Council Symposium during the ISCB Open Business Meeting.

A brief overview of the Student Council's mission and activities will be given and there will be the opportunity to meet our representatives. For an in-depth discussion meet us on Tuesday ⇒

## Tuesday, August 8th

#### **ISCB Student Council Open Meeting**

12:30pm - 1:30pm, Room A (2nd floor)

Join us to learn more about the ISCB Student Council. We will tell you about our mission and how you can contribute to our efforts. This is also your best chance to discuss the future development of the Student Council with us. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting.

## **More Student Council Activities**

## Recent Activities and Ongoing Projects

#### BioMeet 2006

Our Business Relations Committee successfully organized this meeting in April to bring members of both academia and industry together for networking and scientific discovery. Over 80 delegates attended this event in Research Triangle Park, NC, USA: http://www.iscbsc.org/business/BioMeetRTP2006.

## **Quarterly Newsletter**

We send out a quarterly newsletter to keep Student Council members informed about ongoing projects, upcoming activities and developments in the Student Council. Past editions of the newsletter are available on our website: <a href="http://www.iscbsc.org/newsletters">http://www.iscbsc.org/newsletters</a>.

## Student Council Friends Mailing List

We are maintaining a mailing list to announce important events and opportunities for all students and young researchers in the field of computational biology. More on our website: http://www.iscbsc.org.

# Coming Up

### BioSysBio 2007

Preparations are underway for the next BioSysBio conference to be held in Manchester, UK next January. The conference, aimed at students and young researchers working in biotechnology will include sessions on computational systems biology, bioinformatics and synthetic biology. More at <a href="http://www.biosysbio.com">http://www.biosysbio.com</a>.

#### **Regional Student Council Groups**

Our vision is establish regional groups to better serve student communities in particular parts of the world. The guidelines for these groups are about to be approved by the ISCB Board of Directors and a start-up advice package is under development.

#### **Career-Development Resources**

We are currently evaluating several options to create a comprehensive career-development resource on our website. This project will provide our members with the tools to build a successful career in the rapidly evolving field of computational biology.