



NIH Extracellular RNA Communication Consortium  
ERCC Program Closeout Meeting  
May 1-2, 2023



Bethesda North Marriott Conference Center, Main Ballroom, Salons A & B  
5701 Marinelli Road, Rockville MD 20852

**Mon. May 1st**

Note: All times are ET

**Welcome & ERCC Overview**

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| 8:15 a.m. | Badge pickup   |
| 8:30 a.m. | Danilo Tagle, Director, Office of Special Initiatives, National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences, NIH:<br>Opening remarks & ERCC overview |
| 8:45 a.m. | ERCC2 goals & accomplishments - Louise Laurent & Saumya Das (ERCC2)  |

**Session I: Carrier Sorting Technologies & Applications I** Session Chairs: Angela Zivkovic & Meenu Srinivasan

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| 9:05 a.m.         | Hsueh-Chia Chang (ERCC2), College of Engineering, University of Notre Dame:<br>High-throughput purification, fractionation and characterization of extracellular vesicles and nanoparticles for diagnostic and therapeutic applications |
| 9:25 a.m.         | Robert Coffey (ERCC2), Dept. of Cell & Developmental Biology, Vanderbilt University:<br>Extracellular vesicles and nanoparticles: Emerging complexities   |
| 9:45 a.m.         | Louise Laurent (ERCC2), Dept. of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences, UC San Diego:<br>Developing an immunomagnetic separation strategy for mapping extracellular vesicle heterogeneity                                      |
| 10:05 a.m.        | <i>Break &amp; Networking (30 min)</i>  |
| 10:35 a.m.        | Bogdan Mateescu (ERCC2), Brain Research Institute, University of Zurich:<br>PRISM: Purification of exRNA by Immuno-capture and Sorting using Microfluidics  |
| 10:55 a.m.        | Ken Witwer (ERCC2), School of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University:<br>Asymmetric flow field-flow fractionation for separation of exRNA carriers: Blood plasma lipoproteins and extracellular vesicles                                    |
| 11:15 a.m.        | Daniel Chiu (ERCC2), Depts. of Chemistry & Bioengineering, University of Washington:<br>Digital flow cytometry for the analysis of single extracellular vesicles and particles  |
| 11:35 a.m.        | Shannon Stott, Center for Engineering in Medicine & Surgery, Massachusetts General Hospital:<br>Microfluidics for cell-specific EV isolation  |
| 11:55 a.m.        | Justus Ndukaife, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, Vanderbilt University:<br>Next generation optical nanotweezers for unraveling the heterogeneity of extracellular vesicles and particles (EVPs)  |
| 12:05 p.m.        | <i>Lunch, Networking, Posters (unattended) (90 min)</i>   |
| 12:45 - 1:15 p.m. | Ontology Discussion   |

**Session II: ERCC Resource & Technology Showcase** Session Chairs: Jeff Franklin & Olesia Golobova

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| 1:35 p.m. | Aleks Milosavljevic (ERCC2), Dept. of Molecular & Human Genetics, Baylor College of Medicine:<br>Untangling the complexity of EVs and their cargo using the exRNA Atlas  |
| 1:55 p.m. | Joel Rozowsky (ERCC2), Dept. of Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry, Yale University:<br>Integrative analysis of extracellular RNA profiles and associated tools for analyzing exRNA sequencing data   |
| 2:15 p.m. | Sharon Stack, Harper Cancer Research Institute, University of Notre Dame:<br>Application of Asymmetric Nanopore Membrane (ANM) technology to evaluate extracellular vesicle-mediated tumor-host communication  |
| 2:35 p.m. | Roger Alexander (ERCC2), Extracellular RNA Communication Consortium:<br>Overview of ERCC2 technology development   |
| 2:55 p.m. | Justin Chang (ERCC2), Dept. of Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry, Yale University:<br>Visualizing dimensionally-reduced Atlas data: the exRNA Explorer tool  |
| 3:05 p.m. | Jessie Arce (ERCC2), Dept. of Molecular & Human Genetics, Baylor College of Medicine:<br>The NanoFlow Repository: a resource for sharing standards-compliant metadata and data for flow cytometry experiments involving extracellular vesicles and other particles |
| 3:15 p.m. | <i>Break &amp; Networking (30 min)</i>   |

**Plenary Speaker** Introduction: Saumya Das

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| 4:15 p.m. | <b>Plenary Speaker: Eduardo Marbán</b> , Smidt Heart Institute, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center:<br>Novel ncRNA drugs bioinspired by EV contents |
| 4:45 p.m. | Day 1 Summary  |

**Session III: Poster session**

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| 5:00 p.m. | Poster Session, Main Ballroom, Salon C |
| 6:30 p.m. | Day 1 adjourns                         |



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**Tue, May 2nd**

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| <b>Welcome</b>   | <b>NIH: Opening Remarks &amp; ERCC Overview</b>  |
| 8:30 a.m.  | Patricia Labosky, Office of Strategic Coordination – Common Fund<br>Division of Program Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives, Office of the Director, NIH:<br>Opening Remarks   |
| <b>Session IV Carrier Sorting Technologies &amp; Applications II</b> Session Chairs: Bogdan Mateescu & Marsalas Whitaker |  |
| 8:45 a.m.  | Eduardo Reategui (ERCC2), Dept. of Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering, Ohio State University:<br>RNA characterization in single extracellular vesicles and particles from complex biofluids for cancer diagnostics                                    |
| 9:05 a.m.  | David Routenberg (ERCC2), Meso Scale Diagnostics:<br>Identification and isolation of EVs with multi-marker signatures  |
| 9:25 a.m.  | Jeff Franklin (ERCC2), Dept. of Cell & Developmental Biology, Vanderbilt University:<br>Overview of ERCC2 benchmarking studies: Complementary technologies to analyze a colorectal cancer cell secretome   |
| REMOTE 9:45 a.m.   | An Hendrix, Laboratory of Experimental Cancer Research, University of Ghent:<br>A versatile toolbox for a comprehensive view on extracellular vesicles   |
| 10:05 a.m.   | Steven A. Soper, Center of BioModular Multi-scale Systems for Precision Medicine, University of Kansas<br>Mixed-scale fluidic systems for the high efficiency selection of disease-associated EVs and their subsequent analysis for disease management |
| 10:25 a.m.   | <i>Break &amp; Networking 30 min</i>   |
| 10:55 a.m.   | Tony Jun Huang (ERCC2), Pratt School of Engineering, Duke University:<br>Acoustofluidic technologies for the manipulation of cells and extracellular vesicles  |
| 11:15 a.m.   | Ionita Ghiran (ERCC2), Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center:<br>Identification of post-transcriptional modifications in nucleic acid sequences using purpose-designed molecular beacons  |
| 11:35 a.m.   | Gijung Kwak, Center for Nanomedicine, Johns Hopkins University:<br>Extracellular vesicle-associated adeno-associated virus for inhaled gene delivery   |
| REMOTE 11:55 a.m.  | Giovanni Camussi, Dept. of Medical Sciences, University of Turin:<br>Edible plant-derived extracellular vesicles as a carrier for an oral SARS-COV-2 vaccine   |
| 12:15 p.m.   | Priyanka Gokulnath (ERCC2), Cardiovascular Research Center, Massachusetts General Hospital:<br>Extracellular vesicle microRNA cargo drives ventricular arrhythmia in heart failure patients by recapitulating developmental genes                      |
| 12:35 p.m.   | <i>Lunch, Networking, Posters (unattended) (90 min)</i>  |
| <b>Session V: ExRNAs as Biomarkers</b> Session Chairs: Jennifer Jones & Jack Zheng                                       |  |
| 2:05 p.m.  | Tijana Jovanovic-Talman (ERCC2), Dept. of Cancer Biology and Molecular Medicine, Beckman Research Institute, City of Hope:<br>Integrated computational, "omics," and imaging approaches to high resolution identification of tissue-specific EVs       |
| 2:25 p.m.  | Desmond Brown, Neurosurgical Oncology Unit, Surgical Neurology Branch,<br>National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke:<br>Primary cilia: Exploitable glioblastoma signaling hubs   |
| 2:45 p.m.  | Dennis Jeppesen (ERCC2), Dept. of Cell & Developmental Biology, Vanderbilt University:<br>Ubiquitination of extracellular proteins is specific for tetraspanin-enriched small extracellular vesicles   |
| 3:05 p.m.  | Julie Saugstad, School of Medicine, Oregon Health & Science University:<br>miRNAs as biomarkers for and mediators of Alzheimer's Disease   |
| 3:25 p.m.  | <i>Break 10 min</i>  |
| <b>Session VI: Remaining Challenges and Future of the Field</b> Moderators: Matt Roth & Ken Witwer                       |  |
| 3:35 p.m.  | Panel discussion. Panelists: Eduardo Marban, Shannon Stott, Justus Ndukaife & Sharon Stack   |
| 4:30 p.m.  | Christine Happel, Office of Special Initiatives, National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS), NIH:<br>Closing Remarks   |
| 4:45 p.m.  | Meeting adjourns   |
| 6:30 p.m.  | Close-out ERCC dinner – All invited; self-pay  |