**Evolution of Gene Regulatory Networks in Animal Development** Final EVONET Symposium Vienna, 11 – 14 September 2012

Tuesday, September 11, 2012		
16:45	Registration	
18:45 – 19:00	Welcome address by the organizers	
19:00 – 20:00	Keynote lecture: <b>Eric Davidson,</b> The Sea Urchin GRN: Predictive Computation of Regulatory State Changes in Development, and Implications for Evolutionary Process	
20:30	Reception	
Wednesday, September, 12, 2012		
9:00 – 12:30	First Session: Theoretical and Systemic Approaches	
9:00 - 9:40	Nikolaus Rajewsky, tba	
9:40 – 10:20	Leonie Ringrose, tba	
10:20 - 10:40	Break	
10:40 - 11:00	Gasper Tkacik, The Physical Basis of Positional Information	
11:00 - 11:20	<b>Johannes Jäger,</b> <i>Life's Attractors: The Evolutionary and Developmental Dynamics of the Gap Gene System</i>	
11:20 - 12:00	Vincent J. Lynch, Are the Molecular Mechanisms of Innovation the Same as Adaptation?	
12:15 – 13.40	Lunch	
13.40 – 14.20	Alex Stark, An Unbiased in situ Enhancer Screen in Drosophila Embryos	
14:20 – 15:00	Patrick Lemaire, How to Make Morphologically Similar Embryos with Divergent Genome	
15:00 – 15:20	<b>Pinar Önal,</b> Gene Expression of Pluripotency Determinants is Conserved between Mammalian and Planarian Stem Cells	
15:20 - 15:40	Break	
15:40 – 16:00	<b>Oren Shoval,</b> <i>Evolutionary Trade-Offs, Pareto Optimality, and the Geometry of</i> <i>Phenotype Space</i>	
16:00 – 17:20	<b>Pierre Khoueiry,</b> Inter-species Variation in Transcription Factor Occupancy for Essential Developmental Regulators	
17:20 – 17:40	Florian Raible, Stable Transgenesis in the Marine Annelid Platynereis dumerilii Sheds New Light on Photoreceptor Evolution	
17:45 – 19:30	Poster Session, along with cheese and wine	

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Thursday, September 13, 2012		
9:00 – 12:40	Second Session: Antero-posterior Differentiation	
9:00 - 9:40	Michael Akam, Comparison of Segmentation in Centipedes and Insects	
9:40 – 10:20	<b>Vera Hunnekuhl,</b> <i>Insights from the Centipede Strigamia</i> maritime <i>Connect Arthropod</i> <i>Head and Brain Development to Ancient Anterior Patterning Systems</i>	
10:20 - 10:40	<b>Heather Marlow,</b> <i>Conservation of Larval Apical Organs and Apical-blastoporal</i> <i>Patterning</i>	
10:40 - 11:20	Break	
11:20 - 12:00	Claude Desplan, Transition from Stochastic to Deterministic Development	
12:00 - 12:40	<b>Gregor Bucher,</b> RNAi Screen and RNAi-seq Unraveling the Head Patterning Gene Regulatory Network in Tribolium	
12:40 - 18:00	Third Session: Endomesodermal Development	
12:40 – 13:20	<b>Stephen Tapscott,</b> <i>Comparing MyoD and NeuroD2: the genetic and epigenetic of determinants of myogenesis and neurogenesis</i>	
13:20 - 14.20	Lunch	
14:20 - 15:00	Jim Smith, Defining the Vertebrate T-box Gene Regulatory Network	
15:00 – 15:40	Eileen Furlong, Understanding and Predicting cis-regulatory Activity	
15:40 – 16:00	<b>Orsolya Symmons,</b> <i>Accommodating Gene Regulatory Networks in the Genomic</i> <i>Architecture: Insights from the</i> Sonic hedgehog <i>Locus</i>	
16:00 - 16:20	Break	
16:20 – 17:00	<b>Ina Arnone,</b> <i>Conservation and Divergence of a Gene Regulatory Network that Controls</i> <i>Gut Patterning in Deuterostomes</i>	
17:00 – 17:40	<b>Michaela Schwaiger,</b> Identification of Cis-regulatory Modules and NvBrachyury Target Genes in the Sea Anemone Nematostella vectensis	
17:40 – 18:00	<b>Eric Röttinger,</b> A Provisional Cnidarian Gene Regulatory Network for "Endomesoderm" Specification: The Inputs of Wnt/B-catenin Signaling	
18:00 - 19:00	Drinks and open discussion	
20:00	Gala Dinner with invited speakers (fellows meet speakers)	

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Friday, September 14, 2012		
9:00 – 12:40	Fourth Session: <b>Divergence and Conservation</b>	
9:00 – 9:40	<b>Veronica Hinman</b> , Gene Regulatory Network Changes Associated with the Evolution of a Novel Cell Populations in Echinoderms	
9:40 – 10:20	<b>Marie-Anne Felix,</b> <i>Robustness, Evolvability and Evolution of the Intercellular Signaling</i> <i>Network Specifying Vulval Fates in Nematodes</i>	
10:20 - 10:40	Dominic Grün, Evolution of Gene Expression during Nematode Development	
10:40 - 11:00	Break	
11:00 - 11:20	<b>Carmen Andrikou</b> , Evolution of the Gene Networks Orchestrating Myogenesis: The Case of Sea Urchin	
11:20 - 11.40	<b>Grigory Genikhovich</b> , Specification of the Secondary Body Axis by BMP Signaling in Cnidaria and Bilateria: A Case of Convergence	
11:40 - 12:20	<b>Detlev Arendt,</b> The Evolution of Body Regionalization Driven by the Expansion and Duplication of Neural Circuits	
12:20 - 13:20	Panel discussion and concluding remarks	
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch buffet	