

## PLENARY SESSIONS

## ● Thursday, March 31, 8:30 am–12:00 pm

## PLENARY SESSION I

Room: Grand Ballroom  
 Moderator: Frank Laski, University of California,  
 Los Angeles

## Presentations:

- 8:35 am **Insulin signaling and growth control.** Ernst Hafen, University of Zurich, Switzerland.
- 9:05 am **Competition between cells during growth of the developing *Drosophila* wing.** Laura Johnston, Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons, New York, NY
- 9:35 am **Regulation of Notch signaling.** Sarah Bray, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.
- 10:05 am Break
- 10:35 am **Dendrite development and remodeling in *Drosophila*.** Yuh Nung Jan, University of California, San Francisco.
- 11:05 am **The fruit fly as a model system to study hematopoiesis.** Utpal Banerjee, University of California, Los Angeles.
- 11:35 am **Does *Drosophila* have a mind/body problem?** Ralph Greenspan, Neurosciences Institute, San Diego, CA.

## ● Sunday, April 3, 8:30 am–12:30 pm

## PLENARY SESSION II

Room: Grand Ballroom  
 Moderator: Kavita Arora, University of California,  
 Irvine

## Presentations:

- 8:35 am **Polarizing the *Drosophila* oocyte.** Daniel St. Johnston, University of Cambridge, UK.
- 9:05 am **What does it take to make a photoreceptor?** Jessica E. Treisman, New York University Medical Center, NY.
- 9:35 am **Roles for BMP and Activin signaling during *Drosophila* development.** Michael O'Connor, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis
- 10:05 am Break
- 10:30 am **Y chromosome degeneration and the evolution of dosage compensation.** Doris Bachtrog, University of California, San Diego.
- 11:00 am **Gene silencing by small regulatory RNAs.** Richard Carthew, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.
- 11:30 am **Toward a model of RNAi-directed heterochromatin assembly in *Drosophila*.** Sarah C. R. Elgin, Washington University, St. Louis, MO.