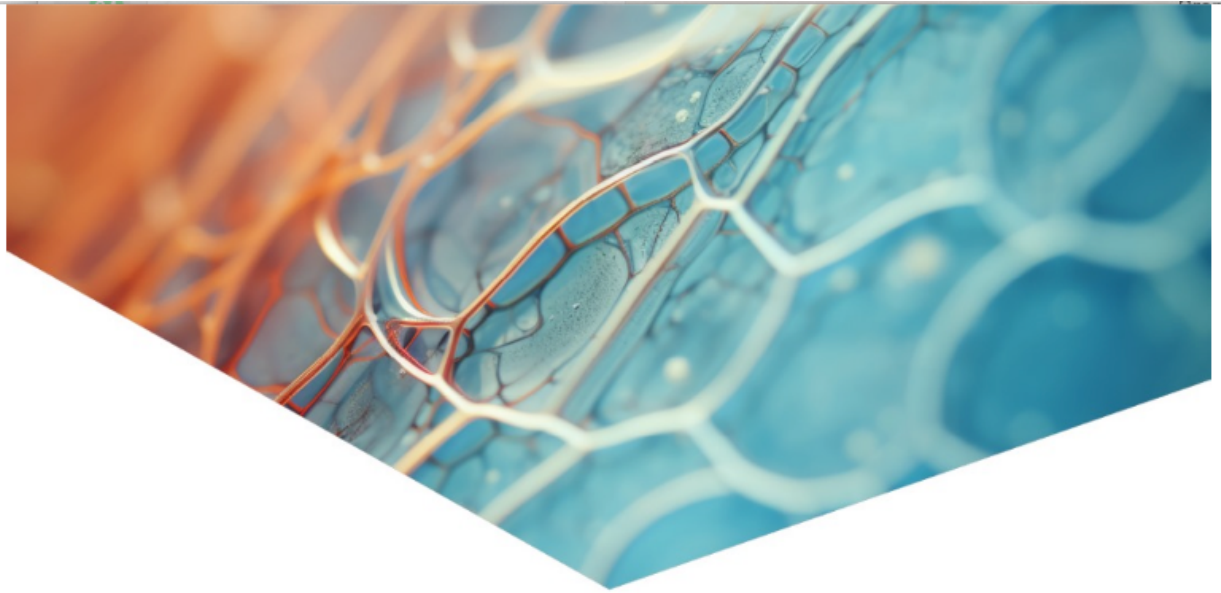
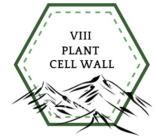


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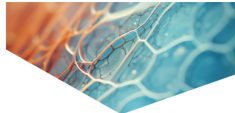
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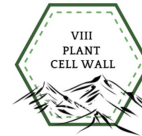


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Mon 17

14:00-20:30 **Registration**

15:30-16:30 **Workshop Analytical Tools**

16:30-17:00 **Coffee Break**

17:00-17:30 **Welcome Opening**

17:30-18:15 **Keynote Lecture 1**
Daniel Cosgrove Growing cell walls - connecting mechanics to structure

18:15-19:00 **Keynote Lecture 2**
Paul Dupree The molecular architecture of plant cell walls

19:00-20:30 **Welcome Reception**

Tue 18

1. Cell Wall Structure and Composition:

Chairs: Breeanna Urbanowicz; Charles Anderson

8:30-8:45 **Charles Anderson**
Pennsylvania State University Cell wall architecture underpins efficient stomatal dynamics in *Arabidopsis thaliana*

8:45-9:00 **Alberto Echevarría-Poza**
University of Cambridge Xylan coating influences glucosyl conformations in cellulose fibrils

9:00-9:15 **Jan (she/they/them) Xue**
University of British Columbia Xylan influences cellulose production at the cell surface of Arabidopsis protoxylem

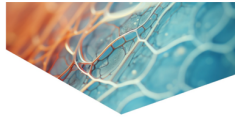
9:15-9:30 **Aleksandra Lizka**
Jagiellonian University Unexplored diversity of xyloglucan structure in gymnosperm species

9:30-9:45 **Lubana Shahin**
University of Georgia A deep dive into pectin O-acetylation reveals surprises

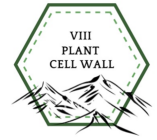
9:45-10:00 **Chetana Tamadaddi**
Pennsylvania State University Ectopic secondary walls formed by NST3 induction exhibit diverse patterns and composition in *Arabidopsis thaliana*

10:00-10:15 **Breeanna Urbanowicz**
University of Georgia Development of a rhamnogalacturonan II (RG-II) glycoform library to study identify the sequence-structure determinants of borate diester formation

10:15-11:00 **Coffee Break/Posters**



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2. Cell Wall Biosynthesis and Metabolism:

Chairs: Berit Ebert; Toshihisa Kotake

11:00-11:15	Fleur Dolman University of Adelaide	Characterisation of developmentally critical cell-wall biosynthesis genes in Arabidopsis
11:15-11:30	Berit Ebert Ruhr University Bochum	Examining the roles of members of the UDP-arabinofuranose transporter family in Arabidopsis
11:30-11:45	Pradeepa Jayawardhane University of Georgia	Determining whether all eight members of the Arabidopsis Glycosyltransferase family 116 (GT 116) have RG-I:GalAT activity.
11:45-12:00	Toshihisa Kotake Saitama University	Functions of atypical endo- β -1,4-mannanases in the synthesis and deposition of glucomannan

12:00-12:30 **The Bruce Stone Award**

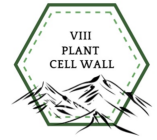
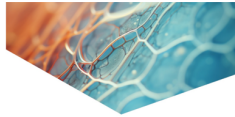
12:30-14:00 **Lunch (Colonial Hall)**

2. Cell Wall Biosynthesis and Metabolism:

Chairs: Debra Mohnen; Susana Saez-Aguayo

14:00-14:15	Debra Mohnen University of Georgia	Enzymatic, anchoring, and biological functions of the GAUT family in synthesis of multi-domain pectins
14:15-14:30	Staffan Persson University of Copenhagen	Implementation of pupylation-based proximity labelling in plant biology reveals regulatory factors in sugar signalling and cellulose biosynthesis
14:30-14:45	Clifford Okoye University of Georgia	Integrating computational modeling and mutagenesis to study the pectic homogalacturonan de novo biosynthetic activity of GAUT13 and GAUT14 and its biological function in Arabidopsis
14:45-15:00	Juan Pablo Parra Andres Bello University	URGT4, a key nucleotide sugar transporter for RG-II pectin in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> roots
15:00-15:15	Susana Saez-Aguayo Andres Bello University	Mucilage Matters: Regulating HG methylation in seed coat epidermal cells
15:15-15:30	Louis Wilson University of Virginia	In cell wall biosynthesis, GT47-family enzymes reign supreme: Uncovering their rapid evolution and myriad undiscovered functions through structural biology, bioinformatics, and <i>in vivo</i> characterisation

15:30-17:00 **Posters Session/Coffee Break/Refreshments (Odd Numbers)**



3. Cell Biology of the Plant Cell Wall:

Chairs: Georgia Drakakaki; Olga Zobotina

17:00-17:15	Tracy Nixon Pennsylvania State University	Lobe-lobe tethering and subunit-subunit communication in cellulose synthase complexes of CesA and CSLD
17:15-17:30	Georgia Drakakaki University of California, Davis	Dissecting cell wall formation during plant cytokinesis
17:30-17:45	Lukas Hoermayer University of Lausanne	Origin of anisotropic growth – Investigation of symmetry breaking during protoplast regeneration
17:45-18:00	Olga Zobotina Iowa State University	The XXT2-XXT5 heterodimer: Structure, mechanism of action and what determines their Golgi localization.

4. Glycoproteins in the Plant Cell Wall:

Chairs: Silvia Coimbra; Jose Estevez

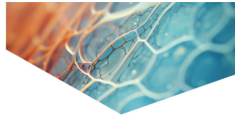
18:00-18:15	Silvia Coimbra University of Porto	The crucial role of eight Hydroxyproline-O-Galactosyltransferases in Arabidopsis plant reproduction
18:15-18:30	Jose M. Estevez Andres Bello University/ Leloir Institute	NAC1 directs CEP1-CEP3 peptidase expression and modulates the glycoproteins Extensins linked root hair growth in Arabidopsis
18:30-18:45	Georg Seifert University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences	Searching for the molecular mechanism of fasciclin-like arabinogalactan protein 4
18:45-19:00	Allan Showalter Ohio University	Knockout of eight hydroxyproline-O-galactosyltransferases cause multiple vegetative and reproductive growth defects

Wed 19

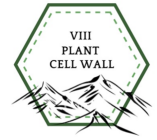
5. Cell Wallomics and Synthetic Biology Approaches:

Chairs: Marcos Buckeridge; Catalin Voiniciuc

8:30-8:45	Marcos Buckeridge University of Sao Paulo	Building a systemic model for cell wall modification during aerenchyma development in roots of sugarcane
8:45-9:00	Igor Cesarino University of Sao Paulo	Systems biology characterization of lignin metabolism in C4 grasses: looking for new players
9:00-9:15	Gabriel Mendez Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf	Heterologous production of xyloglucan in yeast: advancing synthetic biology in plant cell wall polysaccharides



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9:15-9:30	Annika Saß University of Postdam	Uncovering principles of protoxylem wall patterning in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>
9:30-9:45	Catalin Voiniciuc University of Florida	Novel probes for mannan synthesis and directed evolution
9:45-10:30	Coffee Break/Posters	

6. Cell Wall Function and Plant Development:

Chairs: Sebastian Wolf; Henry Temple

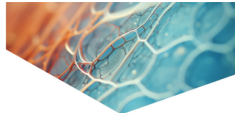
10:30-10:45	Chaowen Xiao Sichuan University	Pectin methylesterification orchestrates phloem architecture to modulate flowering time in <i>Arabidopsis</i>
10:45-11:00	Henry Temple University of Cambridge	Breaking out of isotropy: does pectin methylation control cell growth and cell shape?
11:00-11:15	Eleodoro Rivera P. Catholic University of Chile	Unraveling the interplay between N-nutrition and cell wall metabolism for growth in <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>
11:15-11:30	Quentin Hays Université de Rouen Normandie	Effect of phenylboronic acid on rhamnogalacturonan-II dimerization and auxin signaling during <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> root growth and development
11:30-11:45	Sebastian Wolf University of Tübingen	Cell wall feedback signalling determines cell identity in the shoot apical meristem
11:45-12:00	Ulrike Lehman University of Postdam	Control and consequences of growth arrest during the secondary wall developmental transition
12:00-12:15	Tian Zhang Henan University	The molecular control of stomatal morphogenesis by a maize epimerase

12:15-13:45 **Lunch (Colonial Hall)**

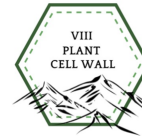
7. Cell Wall Interactions and Stresses:

Chairs: Francisca Blanco; Antonio Molina

13:45-14:00	Laura Bacete Umeå University	Uncovering the intricacies of cell wall integrity in plants: A multidisciplinary approach
14:00-14:15	Antonio Molina Polytechnic University of Madrid	Novel insights into plant mechanisms of glycan perception and immune activation: deciphering the function of Leucine Rich Repeat-Malectin Receptor Kinases



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14:15-14:30	Laura Bartley Washington State University	Altering grass cell wall xylan substitution increases mesophyll CO ₂ conductance in rice and sorghum, but only increases intrinsic water use efficiency for sorghum
14:30-14:45	Henrik Scheller Joint BioEnergy Institute	Unraveling the mysteries of plant cell walls: insights from arbuscular mycorrhizal symbiosis
14:45-15:00	Vyankatesh Zambare The Pennsylvania State University	Cell wall dynamics of <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> root hairs in response to mechanical stress
15:00-15:15	Enmanuel Arkorful Jagiellonian University	Understanding the role of polysaccharide structure in ash dieback disease
15:15-15:30	Daisuke Takahashi Saitama University	Xyloglucan is associated with basal freezing tolerance and growth plasticity
15:30-15:45	Marina Leal Gavarron University of Helsinki	TRICHOME BIREFRINGENCE pectin O-acetyltransferase is required for epidermal cell adhesion

15:45-17:15 Posters Session/Coffee Break/Refreshments (Even Numbers)

8. Mechanical Properties of Plant Cell Walls:

Chairs: Anja Geitmann, Georg Seifert

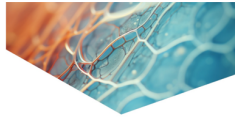
17:15-17:30	Anja Geitmann McGill University	Toughness in primary plant tissues can be achieved through geometrical design features
17:30-17:45	Leila Jaafar Pennsylvania State University	Guard cell-subsidary cell interactions in grass stomatal complexes rely on differential wall composition and biomechanics
17:45-18:00	Emily Oren University of Cambridge	Cell division as a mechanical regulator of <i>Arabidopsis</i> growth
18:00-18:15	Marketa Samalova Masaryk University	Cell-type specific expansin overexpression and proton pump activation questions the acid growth theory in <i>Arabidopsis</i> roots
18:15-18:30	Noemi Svolacchia University of Rome Sapienza	Unveiling the role of cell wall mechanical properties in regulating cell division and differentiation
18:30-18:45	Federico Vinciarelli University of Rome Sapienza	“Groundbreaking” ability of the root: how to cope with soil’s hardness

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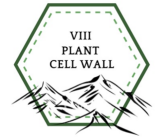
9. Cell Walls as a Resource for Sustainability:

Chairs: Theodora Tryfona, Nicholas Carpita

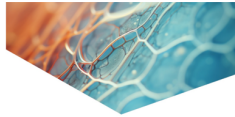
8:30-8:45	Ajaya Biswal University of Georgia	Sugar composition and yield of non-cellulosic polysaccharide during consolidated bioprocessing of switchgrass biomass over a 120 hr fermentation by <i>Clostridium thermocellum</i> DSM1313
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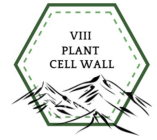
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8:45-9:00	Theodora Tryfona University of Cambridge	Altering the substitution and cross-linking of glucuronoarabinoxylans affects cell wall architecture in <i>Brachypodium distachyon</i>
9:00-9:15	Nicholas Carpita National Renewable Energy Laboratory	The compound middle lamella and biomass recalcitrance in sorghum
9:15-9:30	Marcia Buanafina Pennsylvania State University	Reducing ferulates linkage in maize cell walls by targeted expression of a fungal ferulic acid esterase under a senescence promoter and effects on lignin solubility and tissue saccharification.
9:30-9:45	Darragh Kelleher University of Cambridge	Investigating the recalcitrant nature of sphagnum moss cell walls
9:45-10:00	Nerya Zexer Pennsylvania State University	Single-molecule studies of the inhibition of TrCel7A cellulase by non-cellulosic components of plant cell walls
10:00-10:45	Coffee Break/Posters	
10. The cell wall of Trees and Wood Formation:		
Chairs: Misato Ohtani; Shawn Mansfield		
10:45-11:00	Misato Ohtani The University of Tokyo	Protein modification is key to regulate secondary wall formation for xylem vessel functionality
11:00-11:15	Li Yu University of Cambridge	XAPT and XLPT enzymes modify the glucuronic acid side chains of tissue-specific xylans in Arabidopsis and Eucalyptus
11:15-11:30	Raúl Herrera University of Talca	Novel transcription factors involved in the remodeling of secondary cell wall
11:30-11:45	Nobutaka Mitsuda National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)	A single amino-acid substitution of NST transcription factor could enhance wood accumulation in tree species
11:45-12:00	Chang-Jun Liu Brookhaven National Laboratory	Functional specialization of lignin biosynthetic electron donor cytochrome b5 in green lineages
12:00-12:15	Justin Nichol University of Calgary	The shatter seesaw: how the role of lignin enables two extremes for Arabidopsis pod shattering
12:15-12:45	Bussiness Meeting	
12:45-14:15	Lunch (Students Cowork Hall)	
14:15-20:30	Social Activity & Gala Dinner (Santa Rita Vineyard)	



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Fri 21

11. Cell Walls in Fruit Biology:

Chairs: Rosie Schroeder; Alejandra Moya

9:00-9:15	Rosie Schroeder The New Zealand Institute for Plant and Food Research Ltd	It takes two to tango: Asynchronous softening of outer pericarp and core tissue in kiwifruit
9:15-9:30	Yoshihisa Yoshimi University of Cambridge	Importance of β -galactoglucomannan in tomato fruit development
9:30-9:45	Sara Posé University of Malaga	Cell wall modifications of strawberry roots in response to water deficit
9:45-10:00	Dayan Sanhueza Andres Bello University	From waste to nutritional treasure: Investigating carbohydrate diversity in food industry by-products and papaya mucilage
10:00-10:15	María Paz Covarrubias University of Chile	Searching for super enzymes using endemic Chilean fruit
10:15-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:00	Closing Ceremony	
12:00-14:00	Lunch (Colonial Hall)	
14:00	Farewell	