

*Posters will be on Display for the Entire Week.  
Presenters are Requested to be Present at Their Poster the Last Half-Hour Break of the Evening.*

**POSTER SESSION: EVOLUTION:  
BEFORE AND AFTER LUCA/EVOLUTION OF METABOLISM  
Price Center Ballroom East**

Reyes-Prieto F. Hernández-Morales R. Jácome R. Becerra A. Lazcano A.

[Coenzymes, Viruses and the RNA World](#) [#4023]

Bioinformatic search for homologous sequences involved in ribonucleotidyl-coenzyme biosynthesis has shown that they are absent in RNA viral genomes, indicating that RNA viruses may not be direct holdovers from an ancient RNA/protein world.

Broddrick J. T. Yurkovich J. T. Palsson B. O.

[Metabolic Modeling of the Last Universal Common Ancestor](#) [#4215]

The origin and diversity of life on earth are intimately linked to metabolic processes. Using recent assessments of early metabolic capabilities, we construct a metabolic model of a primordial organism that could be representative of the LUCA.

Palacios-Pérez M. Andrade-Díaz F. José M. V.

[A Proposal of the Ur-Proteome](#) [#4014]

We uncover the plausible Ur-proteome encoded in RNY chains. The Ur-proteome obtained worked as Cofactor Stabilising Binding Sites (CSBS), i.e. the primitive bindome. CSBSs were the first proteins modules in progenotes.

Guimaraes R. C.

[The Logic that Emerges from the Self-Referential Genetic Code](#) [#4060]

The Self-Referential Model for the structure & formation of the genetic code is based on (proto)tRNA Dimer-Directed Protein Synthesis. Peptides that are stable and binders of the (proto)tRNAs evolve into the aminoacyl-tRNA synthetases.

Shannon G. Wei C. Pohorille A.

[Exploring the Evolutionary Accident Hypothesis: Are Extant Protein Folds the Fittest or the Luckiest?](#) [#4181]

Here we aim to test the "Evolutionary Accident Hypothesis" by attempting to prove the evolvability of a synthetic ATP-binding protein with a fold that is not observed in nature.

Campillo-Balderas J. A. Cruz-González-Luna C. Muñoz-Velasco I. Lazcano A. Becerra A.

[Host Phylogeny and Viral Genome Size Suggest that Viruses may be Antique, but not Primitive](#) [#4047]

Viruses are not relicts from an ancient RNA/protein World and their origin is related to the phylogeny of their hosts. They may be antique, but not primitive.

Jácome R. Becerra A. Ponce de León S. Lazcano A.

[Structural Analysis of Monomeric RNA-Dependent Polymerases](#) [#4099]

RNA-dependent polymerases are key enzymes in the viral cycle. They all share a right-hand form with three functional subdomains: palm, fingers and thumb. The palm subdomain might be one of the oldest structural domains in extant cells and viruses.

Jheeta S.

[Hypothesis: ncRNA — Cellular Activity Controller?](#) [#4169]

This is a hypothesis abstract: ncRNA — cellular activity controller?