





The Israel Society for Astrobiology and the Origin of Life (ILASOL)

33rd annual meeting March 3rd, 2020 Porter Building 013B, Tel Aviv University

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SOC: A. Wandel (HUJ), D. Lancet (WIS) – LOC: S. Zucker (TAU)

Session 1: Opening 9:00-10:30 chair Shay Zucker

Welcome address: S. Marco (Head, Porter School of Environment and Earth Sciences)

Keynote: Selective Incorporation of Proteinaceous over nonproteinaceous amino acids in model

prebiotic oligomerization reactions - Moran Frenkel-Pinter (NSF/NASA) (30)

Review: How, where and when will we find the first footprints of extraterrestrial life? – Amri

Wandel (Chairman ILASOL, HUJ) (30)

Chemistry's New Kinetic Dimension and the Origin of Life – Addy Pross (BGU)

Coffee break 10:30-11:00

Session 2: Astrobiology 11:00-13:00 chair Amri Wandel

Teegarden's Star b+c: two habitable Earth-mass planets – Lev Tal-Or (Ariel U), Amri Wandel (HUJ)

Oumoamoa revisited — Noah Brosch (TAU)

Silicon in outer space and its extraterrestrial life perspective – David Avnir (HUJ)

Artificial intelligence and SETI: The Singularity is near! – Joseph Gale, Amri Wandel (HUJ)

How to present "The search for life in the Universe" to the public? – Hagai Netzer (TAU)

Lunch break 13:00-14:00 (light lunch will be provided)

Session 3: Biochemistry and Life 14:00-16:50 chair Doron Lancet

Evolution-CSI: hunting for evidence in the protein universe – Rachel Kolodny (Haifa U)

Lamarckian Origin of Life – Tzachi Pilpel (WIS)

Catalytic Lipid micelles as early protocells: from laboratory evidence to Molecular Dynamics

simulations – Amit Kahana, D. Lancet (WIS)

Nucleopetides in prebiotic replication networks: A study demonstrating predominance in self-

replicating nucleopeptides – Anil Kumar Bandela and Gonen Ashkenazi (BGU)

Coffee break 15:30-15:50

Catalytic buffering for optimal scheduling of self-replication – Rami Pugatch (BGU)

The identity crisis of the mitochondria – from a free-living bacterium to a fundamental

Eukaryote organelle – Dan Mishmar (BGU)

Thermal Condensation of Glycine and Alanine on Metal Ferrite Surface: Primitive Peptide Bond

Formation Scenario – Sohan Jheeta (NoR HGT & LUCA)

Closing remarks – Sohan Jheeta (10)