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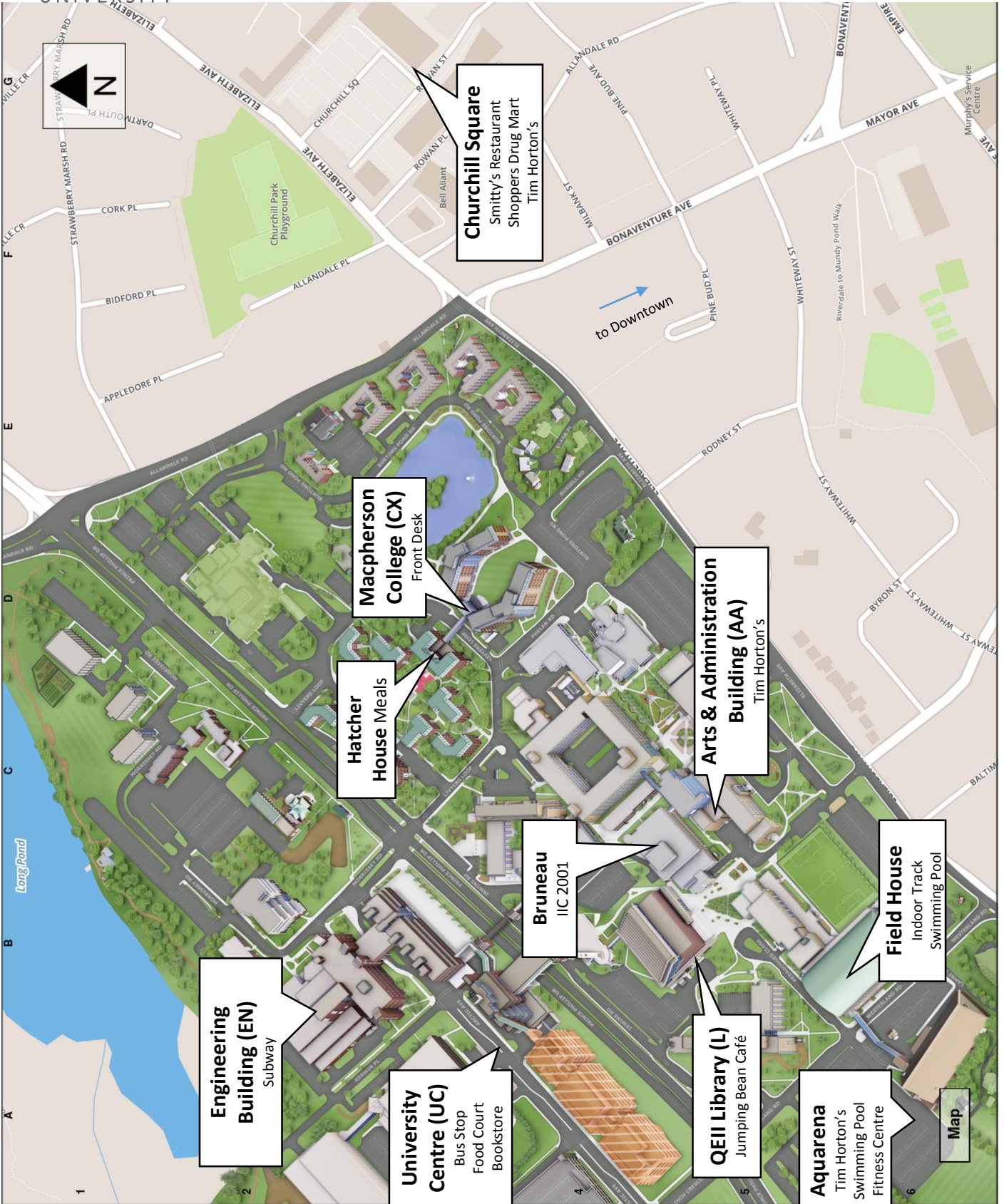
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Monday, July 31, 2017

16:00 - 17:00 Conference Check-in (Bruneau Building Atrium)
(The check-in desk for accommodations is in Macpherson College)

17:00 - 17:15 Welcome

Association in Solution Intro

17:15 - 17:45 **Three components, four phases. What does Gibbs' phase rule state?**
Hakan Wennerström, Lund University, Sweden

17:45 - 18:15 **Cellulose association in solution**
Ulf Olsson, Lund University, Sweden

18:15 - 19:45 **Presentation of posters**

19:00 - 20:30 Dinner

*Dinner Speaker: Shannon Lewis-Simpson, Memorial University
Iron Rings: Meet the Iron Age in Newfoundland and Labrador*

Notes and room locations

- *Technical sessions will be in Room IIC 2001 in the Bruneau Building.*
- *Poster Sessions will be in the Bruneau Building Atrium.*
- *All meals will be in Hatcher House.*
- *Audiotaping, videotaping and photography of presentations are prohibited.*
- *Speakers – Please have your presentation loaded onto the conference computer prior to the session start (preferably the day before).*
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Tuesday, August 1, 2017

07:30 - 08:30 Breakfast

Electrostatics

08:30 - 09:00 **Light from within: Illuminating the complexity of co-assembly from the inside out**
Joris Sprakel, Wageningen University, Netherlands

09:00 - 09:30 **The salt curve revisited - Electrostatic charges govern the viscoelastic properties of micellar solutions**
Peter Fischer, ETH Zurich, Switzerland

09:30 - 10:00 **Polyelectrolyte/Surfactant complexes (PESCs) – versatile self-assembled systems studied with respect to their structural, dynamical and rheological properties**
Michael Gradzielski, TU Berlin, Germany

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee Break

Capsules and Vesicles

10:30 - 11:00 **Nature-inspired multi-compartment and multi-layered capsules**
Srinivasa R. Raghavan, University of Maryland, USA

11:00 - 11:30 **Morphologies in vesicle-vesicle adhesion**
Masayuki Imai, Tohoku University, Japan

11:30 - 12:00 **Solutions with structure for cellular delivery**
Cecilia Leal, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch

13:00 - 15:30 **Discussions**

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break

Driven Colloids

16:00 – 16:30 **Drying aqueous colloidal systems: Molecular interactions, self-assembly and homeostatic behavior**
Kevin Roger, CNRS/Toulouse University, France

16:30 - 17:00 **Self-assembly of particles via controlled evaporation**
Basavaraja Madivala Gurappa, IIT Madras, India

17:00 - 17:30 **Swimmer-Microrheology**
Shigeyuki Komura, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan

Tuesday, August 1, 2017 (continued)

17:30 - 17:45 Break

Emulsions

17:45 - 18:15 **Joining emulsion droplets using colloidal rods**
Paul Clegg, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom

18:15 – 18:45 **Surfactant aggregation in hydrophobic ionic liquid to formulate
microemulsions for the enhancement of the solubility of enzymes and
their catalytic performance**
Xirong Huang, Shandong University, China

19:00 - 20:30 Dinner

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

07:30 - 08:30 Breakfast

Colloidal Assembly

08:30 - 09:00 **Field-directed assembly of responsive colloids**
Peter Schurtenberger, Lund University, Sweden

09:00 - 09:30 **Phase behavior of colloid-polymer mixtures with unary or binary depletants**
Jacinta C. Conrad, University of Houston, USA

09:30 - 10:00 **Inverse design of interactions for assembly**
Thomas M. Truskett, The University of Texas at Austin, USA

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee Break

Transport in Confined Spaces

10:30 - 11:00 **Polymer conformation and dynamics in crowded environments: A combined diffusion NMR and small-angle neutron scattering study**
Anand Yethiraj, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada

11:00 - 11:30 **Diffusion of small ligands in complex confining and reactive landscapes: The geometry of chemoreception**
Francesco Piazza, University of Orléans and Centre de Biophysique Moléculaire (CBM), France

11:30 - 12:00 **Collective morphologies of the assemblies of the intrinsically disordered proteins of the Nuclear Pore Complex**
Anton Zilman, University of Toronto, Canada

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch

13:00 - 15:30 **Discussions**

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break

Particles and Interfaces

16:00 - 16:30 **Adaptive microgels in complexes and at interfaces**
Walter Richtering, RWTH Aachen, Germany

16:30 - 17:00 **Distortion of surfactant lamellar phases with particles and rough interfaces**
Adrian R. Rennie, Uppsala University, Sweden

Wednesday, August 2, 2017 (continued)

17:00 - 17:30 **Multivalent binding and selectivity in cell targeting, molecular recognition and receptor activation**

Jure Dobnikar, Institute of Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China; Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge, UK, China

17:30 - 17:45 Break

Lasers and Algorithms

17:45 - 18:15 **On the stability of metal nanoparticles synthesized by laser ablation in liquids**

Gerardo Palazzo, University of Bari, Italy

18:15 - 18:45 **Non linear physics for early immune recognition**

Paul Francois, McGill University, Canada

Free Evening

Thursday, August 3, 2017

07:30 - 08:30 Breakfast

Protein/Peptide Association

08:30 - 09:00 **Self-association of a highly charged, arginine-rich cell-penetrating peptide**
Mikael Lund, Lund University, Sweden

09:00 - 09:30 **Protein-protein interactions in lipid membranes: A single particle study of Bcl-2 family proteins**
Cécile Fradin, McMaster University, Canada

09:30 - 10:00 **Phase behavior study of human antibody solution using multi-scale modeling**
Limei Xu, Peking University, China

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee Break

Patchy Colloids/Interactions

10:30 - 11:00 **Manifestation of one-patch attractive protein interactions in solution scattering and in solution structures**
Malin Zackrisson Oskolkova, Lund University, Sweden

11:00 - 11:30 **Exploring a new class of effective interactions in crowded environment**
Nicoletta Gnan, Institute of Complex Systems (CNR-ISC), Italy

11:30 - 12:00 **Polymer-salt-solvent effects on colloidal interactions**
Johan Bergenholtz, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

12:00 Boxed lunch distribution

12:45 **Buses depart for whale watching excursion** (Pick up at Macpherson College)

14:00 - 16:00 **Whale watching boat tour** (Returning to Memorial University by 17:00)

18:00 - 19:00 **Poster Session**

19:00 - 20:30 Banquet Dinner

*Dinner speaker: Wayne Ledwell
40 years of working with fishermen releasing large whales from fishing gear in
Newfoundland and Labrador*

Friday, August 4, 2017

07:30 - 08:30 Breakfast

Gels

08:30 - 09:00 **Can softer junctions lead to stiffer gels? Understanding the role of stereochemistry in associative polymer gels**
Surita Bhatia, Stony Brook University, USA

09:00 - 09:30 **Shear-gradient induced transport and non-local stresses: Non-uniform flow of glasses and gels**
Jan K.G. Dhont, Forschungszentrum Juelich and Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf, Germany

09:30 - 10:00 **Self-assembly in patchy proteins: From transient networks to attractive glasses**
Anna Stradner, Lund University, Sweden

10:00 - 10:30 Coffee Break

Nanostructured Materials

10:30 - 11:00 **Engineering multi-responsive complex coacervate core micelles for biomedical and materials science applications**
Ilja Voets, Eindhoven University of Technology, Netherlands

11:00 - 11:30 **Structure and hydration of phytoglycogen nanoparticles: Nature's dendrimer**
John R. Dutcher, University of Guelph, Canada

11:30 - 12:00 **Self-assembly of block copolymers in ionic liquids: Ultrastretchable iono-elastomers with mechano-electrical response**
Norman J. Wagner, University of Delaware, USA

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch and Departure

Poster Presentations

1. **Thermoelectrochemistry for harvesting waste heat**
Jeffrey J. Black, UNSW Australia, Australia
2. **Assembly of colloidal nanocrystals into open networks**
Delia J. Milliron, University of Texas at Austin, USA
3. **In-situ liquid phase imaging of block copolymer vesicle assembly**
Hanglong Wu, Eindhoven University of Technology, Netherlands
4. **Tuning cracks by exploiting the shape of particles and external magnetic field**
Hisayama, IIT Madras, India
5. **Studying solution self-assembled morphology and thermal stability of Polysorbate fractions and their implications in micellar degradation via small angle neutron scattering**
Jannatun Nayem, University of Delaware and NIST, USA
6. **Hydrogelation of cyclic peptide amphiphile, colistin, through formation of hierarchically organized structure**
Kosuke Morimoto, The University of Kitakyushu, Japan
7. **Structures and dynamic viscoelastic properties of micelles of mixtures of surfactin with cationic surfactant in aqueous solution**
Kazuyuki Ito, The University of Kitakyushu, Japan
8. **Study on relation between spatial distribution and release rate of hydrophobic compounds incorporated in polymer micelles with anomalous small angle X-ray scattering**
Shota Sasaki, The University of Kitakyushu, Japan
9. **Sensitive biosensors exploiting the minute changes in the capacitance of protein layers associated to the ligand recognition**
Gerardo Palazzo, University of Bari, Italy
10. **Self-assembly of the peptide A10K – Intermediate state in aggregate formation**
Axel Rüter, Lund University, Sweden
11. **Probing the structure of electrochemically-aggregated collagen**
Kristin M. Poduska, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
12. **Nanodroplets and the equation of state of deeply supercooled water**
Shahrazad Malek, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
13. **Deuterium NMR and rheology of microgel colloids at ambient and high pressure**
Suhad A. Sbeih, Memorial University, Canada
14. **Multisequence algorithm for coarse-grained biomolecular simulations: Exploring the sequence-structure relationship of proteins**
Adekunle Aina, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
15. **Electrorheological responses of soft ionic colloids**
Ealisha Jha, Memorial University, Canada