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## 2023 AUGUST NEWS

### IN MEMORIUM

We are deeply saddened to announce the loss of IUBMB Trainee Initiative team member from Zimbabwe, Tatenda Murigo. IUBMB will be creating a Fellowship in her memory.



@iubmb\_trainee



Trainee Initiative  
By Trainees, For Trainees

**Tatenda Murigo**

It is with deep sadness that we learn of the passing of our African representative from Zimbabwe, Tatenda Murigo. A passionate and bright young scientist has been lost, and the IUBMB family wishes to extend their deepest sympathies to Tatenda's family and loved ones.

The IUBMB Trainee Initiative will mourn her death deeply.



@tatendamurigo

**Tribute** by IUBMB Trainee Members Victoria Patten (FASBMB), Élyse Fischer (Chair, PABMB), and Patrick Penndorf (FEBS), and IUBMB President Alexandra Newton.

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**IUBMB MILLIPORESIGMA  
ENABLE-AFRICA FELLOWSHIPS –  
deadline extended to August 15**

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**SIGMA**

## ENABLE-AFRICA FELLOWSHIPS



Deadline extended to August 15

Calling all PhD graduate students, postdocs, or junior researchers from AFRICA! The IUBMB is offering 5 travel grants of USD \$1,500 each for trainees from any country in Africa to attend the 2023 FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE Conference in Cologne, Germany. **The application deadline has been extended to due August 15. [Apply now.](#)**

## IUBMB WHELAN YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD – deadline Sept 1

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**Deadline September 1**



**ÉLYSE FISCHER**

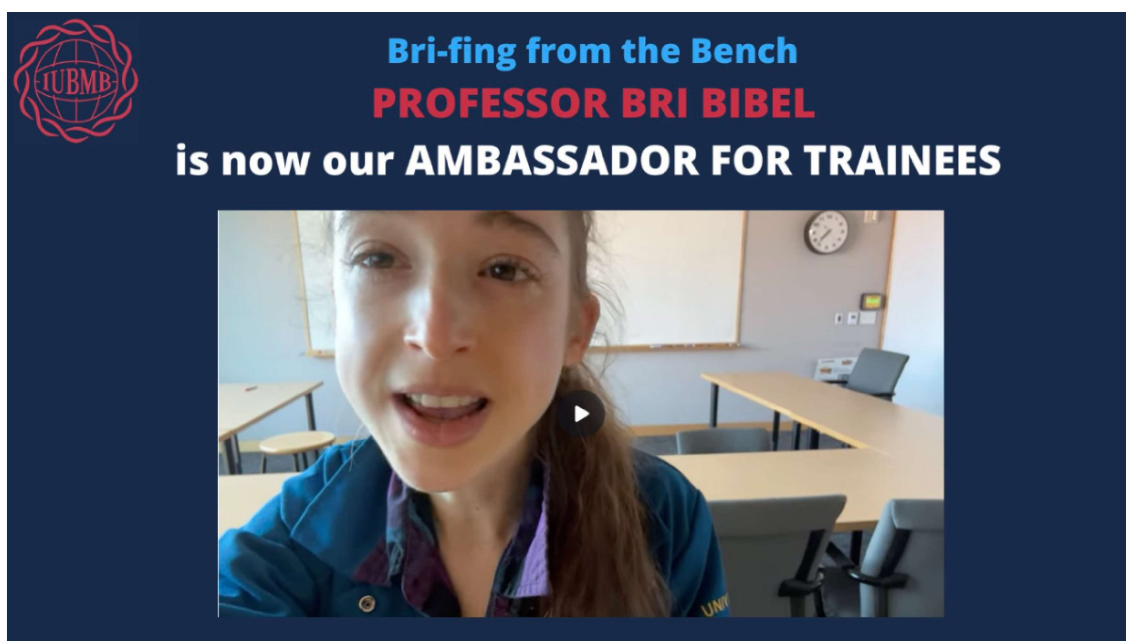
Whelan Young Investigator Awardee  
Young Scientists Forum 2022  
Vimeiro, Portugal

Do you have an outstanding graduate student, postdoctoral fellow, or young investigator within 10 years of receiving their PhD? Nominations for the [IUBMB Whelan Young Investigator Award](#) are **due by September 1**. This award, established in the memory of Bill Whelan, goes to an exceptionally promising junior investigator in the biomolecular sciences. It is awarded triennially at the Young Scientists Program

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## BRI BIBEL APPOINTED AS AMBASSADOR FOR TRAINEES

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Congratulations to Bri Bibel who has joined the faculty at Saint Mary's College in California, where she will be teaching biochemistry. Bri has been our Student, and then Trainee, Ambassador since 2018 (?) and we hope you enjoyed our weekly Bri-fings from the Bench where she covered diverse concepts, key experiments, and basic information in biochemistry. Her [blog](#) is a wealth of information for teachers and trainees.

We are pleased to continue our collaboration with her in her new role as Ambassador for Trainees, where she will serve as a liaison to promote activities for trainees.

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## UPCOMING IUBMB FOCUSED MEETINGS



**SEP 1:** FEMS Meeting Attendance  
Grants deadline  
**SEP 19:** Late Registration deadline  
[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 31:** Deadline Registration  
[Meeting details](#)

## UPCOMING IUBMB CONGRESS

### 2030 IUBMB CONGRESS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

**APPLICATION SUBMISSION EXTENDED:  
DECEMBER 15**

Congresses provide unique occasions for expert review of international advances at the cutting edge of biochemistry and molecular biology, and are held triennially in countries that are members of the Union.

- 2022 - 25th IUBMB Congress, Lisbon, Portugal
- 2024 - 26th IUBMB Congress, Melbourne, Australia
- 2027 - 27th IUBMB Congress, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2030 - soliciting applications

We invite you to apply for the 2030 IUBMB Congress. The call for applications to the [IUBMB Congress in 2030](#) has been extended to **December 15, 2023**.



**IUBMB  
Journals**

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*of Aspects of Molecular Medicine* and learn about their research backgrounds, motivation for taking on the role, and types of papers they would like to see submitted to the journal.

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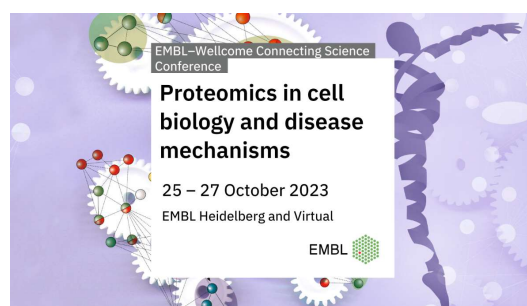
**AUG 1:** Abstract deadline  
**SEP 15:** Early Registration deadline  
**OCT 31:** Late Registration Deadline  
[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 1:** On-site Registration deadline  
**SEP 5:** Virtual Registration deadline  
[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 1 - OCT 15:**  
 Late Registration deadline  
[Meeting details](#)



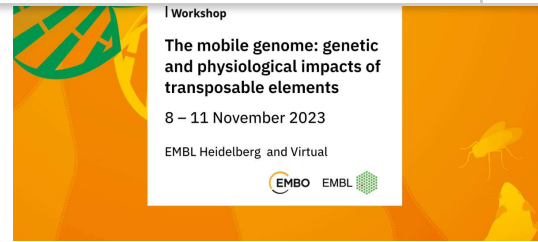
**AUG 8:** Abstract Submission  
**SEP 13:** On-site Registration deadline  
**OCT 18:** Virtual Registration deadline  
[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 9:** On-site Registration deadline

**SEP 13:** Virtual Registration deadline

[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 16:** Abstract Submission

**SEP 27:** On-site Registration deadline

**NOV 1:** Virtual Registration deadline

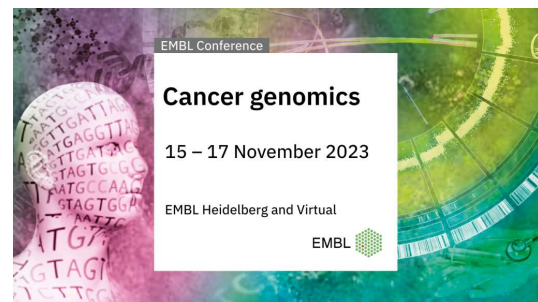
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**AUG 23:** On-site Registration deadline

**SEP 27:** Virtual Registration deadline

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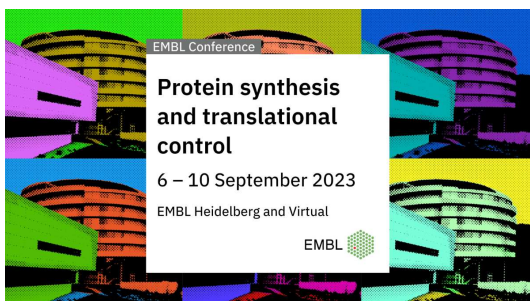


**AUG 23:** Abstract Submission

**OCT 4:** On-site Registration deadline

**NOV 8:** Virtual Registration deadline

[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 29:** Virtual Registration deadline

[Meeting details](#)



**AUG 30:** On-site Registration deadline



**OCT 4:** Virtual Registration deadline

[Meeting details](#)

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## AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Journals** *Congratulations* **EFIS** **6-8 July 2023 • TOURS, FRANCE**

# Guilherme Gil Moreira

Universidade de Lisboa  
Portugal

Winner of the  
**BioFactors Best Poster Award**  
for his poster titled "*Chaperone regulation of tau liquid-liquid phase separation*" at the 22nd FEBS Young Scientists' Forum (YSF 2023) held on 6 - 8 July 2023




## Congratulations

### Maria Ingaramo

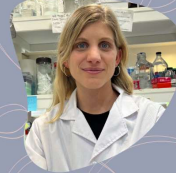


From Instituto de Agrobiotecnología del Litoral (IAL CONICET-UNL), Argentina, has been awarded the **IUBMB Travel Fellowship** to present her research on "FOXO-mediated repression of Dicer1 regulates metabolism, stress resistance, and longevity in *Drosophila*" at the 2023 GRC | Biology of Aging - Evolving Concepts of Organismal Aging




## Congratulations

### Analia Novero

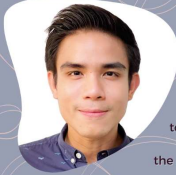


From the Institute of Molecular and Cellular Biology of Rosario (IBR), UNR-CONICET, Argentina, has been awarded the **IUBMB Travel Fellowship** to present her research on "Molecular events involved in the hyperpolarization of the plasma membrane of murine spermatozoa" at The 24th Gordon Research Conference (GRC) on Fertilization and Activation of Development



## Congratulations

### Nutpakkal Ketprasit



From The University of Melbourne, Australia, has been awarded the **IUBMB Travel Fellowship** to present his research on "Hijacking the tRNA charging process: a novel approach to combat malaria" at the 30th FAOBMB and 8th BMB Conference on "Biochemistry and Molecular Biology for the New Normal Era"



## Congratulations

### Francisco Padilla Garfias



From Cell Physiology Institute, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), Mexico, has been awarded the **IUBMB Travel Fellowship** to present his research on "Unravelling the xenome of *Debaryomyces hansenii* during benzo(a)pyrene degradation" at the IUBMB Focused Meeting on Extremophilic Fungi



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# Congratulations


## RACHEL KLEVIT

### IUBMB JUBILEE AWARD LECTURE

September 27 - October 1, 2024  
Cavtat, Croatia

"The (Remaining) Mysteries of Ubiquitin"






*Congratulations*

**VAUGHN COOPER**  
**IUBMB PLENARY LECTURE**

October 4, 2023 at 6:00 pm ART  
Chapadmalal, Buenos Aires Province, Argentina

"Empowering Evolution to Teach Us  
How Microbes Interact with Surfaces, Drugs, and Host"



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**ALEJANDRO ASENSIO LOPEZ**  
*Shares his experience*

From Centro de Biología Molecular Severo Ochoa (CBMSO) - (CSIC-UAM), Spain, was awarded the

**2022 Wood-Whelan Research Fellowship**

to travel to the University of California San Diego, USA, in Dr. Richard L Gallo's lab to complete his project on "GRK2 as a modulator of epidermal-immune-microbiome interactions"






**DAWSON LING**  
*Shares his experience*

From Burnet Institute, Australia, was awarded the

**2022 Travel Fellowship**

who presented his research on "Identifying the mechanism of action of a novel invasion-blocking compound in *Plasmodium falciparum*" at the BiomPar XIX: biology and pathology of the malaria parasite conference in EMBL Heidelberg, Germany

**CHATHURA SURaweera**  
*Shares his experience*

From Monash University, Australia was awarded the

**2022 Travel Fellowship**

who presented his research on "Monkeypox virus C7L is a Bcl-2-fold protein that binds human pro-apoptotic Bcl-2 proteins" at the AsCA2022 meeting in Jeju Island, South Korea




**JORDAN COMPTON**  
*Shares her experience*

From Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, was awarded the

**2023 Travel Fellowship**

who presented her research on "An unusual archaeal phosphofruktokinase sheds light on the evolution of specificity and horizontal transfer of allosteric enzymes" at the 2023 GRC | Molecular Mechanisms in Evolution - Genetic and Phenotypic Evolution at the Organismal, Cellular and Molecular Levels in Easton, MA, USA




**MARIA BELIAEVA**  
*Shares her experience*

From EMBL, Heidelberg-Hamburg, Germany, was awarded the

**2023 Travel Fellowship**

who presented her research on "Novel Metalloprotein-Dependent Sulfurase from the Abyss" at BIOTRANS 2023 in La Rochelle, France




**MAGALI TOUSSAINT**  
*Shares her experience*

From Helmholtz-Zentrum Dresden-Rossendorf e.V. (HZDR), Germany, was awarded the

**2023 Travel Fellowship**

who presented her research on "Radiosynthesis and biological evaluation of [<sup>18</sup>F]JAG-120 as imaging agent for the detection of the mutant isocitrate dehydrogenase 1 in glioma by PET" at the 25th International Symposium on Radiopharmaceutical Chemistry (ISRS) in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA




**RUI OLIVEIRA**  
*Shares his experience*

From the University of Minho, Portugal, was awarded the

**2022 Tang Education Fellowship**

to travel to Munster Technological University, Ireland, and learn from Dr. Jim O' Mahony to enhance his personal development as a biomolecular sciences educator to promote active learning at his home institution

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