



# MCEB 2022

Château d'Oex, Suisse  
June 26-30, 2022

## MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY



# Program



# INFORMATION

## Meeting Point

Directly at the Hotel Roc & Neige on Sunday, May 26th.

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## Location

The conference will be held in the village of **Chateau d'Oex**, The municipality is located in the Vaud part of the Sarine valley between the Saanenland in the canton of Bern (in French: Gessenay) upstream and the Intyamon in the canton of Fribourg downstream, at an altitude of approximately 1,000 m. Château-d'Ex is the largest municipality in the canton of Vaud, with an area of 11,374 ha<sup>5</sup>, of which 2% is residential and infrastructure land, 44.6% is agricultural land, 35.9% is woodland and 16.6% is unproductive land.

The minimum altitude of the municipality is 870 m at the level of the Sarine, the average altitude is 1,489 m and the highest point is at 2,548 m on the summit of Tarent on the Pic Chaussy - Cape au Moine ridge.

The municipality comprises several villages and hamlets. Apart from Château-d'Ex, the main town, the most important are Les Moulins and Les Granges, at the bottom of the valley, as well as L'Étivaz and La Lécherette, on the road to the Col des Mosses.

# Practical INFORMATION



Hotel  
**ROC & NEIGE**  
CHATEAU-D'OEX · SWITZERLAND



## Hôtel Roc et Neige

Route des Monnaires 46, 1660 Château-d'Oex

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## Train :

To get there by train, you have to go through Geneva, then Lausanne, Montreux and finally Chateau d'Oex. It takes 2h30 from Geneva.

To reach the hotel from the station, you have to walk a distance of 800m.

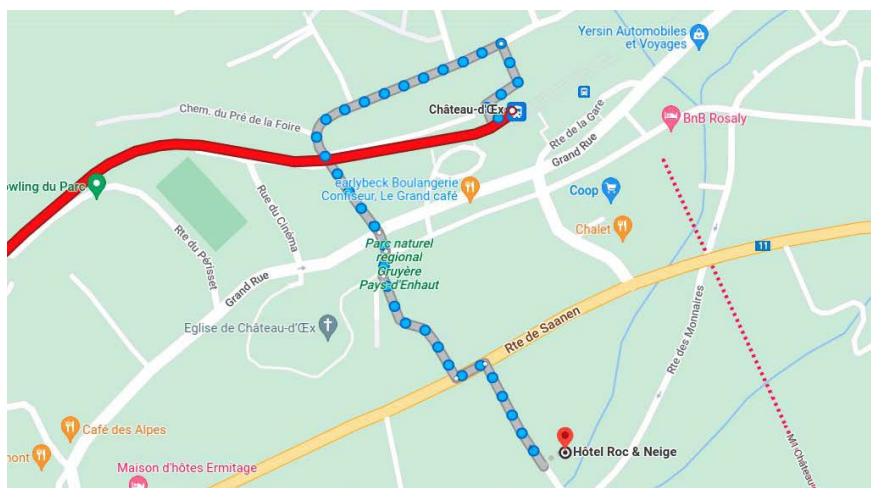
The map below explains the itinerary.

## Tickets and information

Montreux-Oberland Bernois -Buy tickets - 00 41 21 989 81 90

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## Sunday, June 26th

19h00 Welcome drink

20h00 Dinner

## Monday, June 27th

09h00 **Keynote** – **Niko Beerenwinkel**  
*Inferring tumor evolution from single-cell data*

10h00 Coffee break

10h40 **Scholz Guillaume**  
*Fast detection of recombinant sequences in viruses using phylo-k-mers*

11h00 **Latrille Thibault**  
*Empirical evidence for positive selection that is not adaptive evolution*

11h20 Break

11h40 **Mashayekhi Somayeh**  
**Fractional coalescent**

12h00 **Otto Moritz**  
*Recombination, selection and the evolution of tandem gene arrays*

12h30 Lunch  
**Afternoon: social activities and discussions**

17h30 **De Sousa Mota Bárbara**  
*Imputation of ancient genomes*

17h50 **Anchieri Lucas**  
*Benchmarking methods using time-series data to infer selection*

18h10 Break

18h40 **Nesterenko Luca**  
*Phyloformer: Fast and accurate phylogeny estimation with self-attention networks*

19h00 **De Vienne Damien M.**  
*The overlooked effect of ghost lineages for the study of gene flow*

19h30 Dinner

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## Tuesday, June 28th

09h00 **Keynote** – Denise Kühnert

*Archaeogenetics meets phylodynamics: tracking the evolution of pathogens over millennia*

10h00 Coffee break

10h40 **Cornuault Josselin**

*Do genes' coalescence times carry information on demography?*

11h00 **Catanzaro Daniele**

*Balanced Minimum Evolution: Theoretical and Computational Advances*

11h20 Break

11h40 **Bollen Nena**

*Exploiting genomic surveillance to map the spatio-temporal dispersal of SARS-CoV-2 spike mutations in Belgium across 2020*

12h00 **Huson Daniel**

*SplitsTree6 - integrating phylogenetic trees and networks*

12h30 Lunch

Afternoon: social activities and discussions

17h **Keynote** - Carolin Kosiol

*Polymorphism-aware phylogenetics models*

18h Poster session (1 to 12) + aperitif

19h30 Dinner

## Wednesday, June 29th

09h00 **Keynote** – David Bryant

*The Concatenation Question*

10h00 Coffee break

10h40 **Szollosi Gergely**

*Trade-off between reducing mutational accumulation and increasing commitment to differentiation determines tissue organization*



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**11h00 Featherstone Leo**

*Assessing the effects of date and sequence data in phylodynamics*

**11h20:** Break

**11h40 Zhukova Anna**

*Fast and Accurate Resolution of the Birth-Death Exposed-Infectious (BDEI) Model*

**12h00 Bastide Paul**

*A Cauchy process to model trait evolution on a phylogeny*

**12h30** Lunch

**Afternoon: social activities and discussions**

**17h Keynote – Maria Anisimova**

*Phylogenetics with indels*

**18h Poster session (13 to 23) + aperitif**

**19h30** Dinner

## Thursday June 30th

**09h00 Keynote – Cécile Ané**

*Estimating species networks to model reticulate evolution: challenges and identifiability*

**10h00** Coffee break

**10h40 Dalla Riva Giulio Valentino**

*Phylogenetics and ecological networks: old challenges and new opportunities*

**11h00 Urban Lara**

*The ghost of past selection in the critically endangered kākāpō*

**11h20** Break

**11h40 Layan Maylis**

*Impact and mitigation of sampling bias to determine viral spread: evaluating discrete phylogeography through CTMC models and structured coalescent model approximations*

**12h00 Vaughan Timothy** - *Bayesian phylodynamic inference of multi-type population trajectories using genomic data*

**12h30** Lunch

**14h00** Departure

# Keynote speakers

## Keynote speakers



> **Cecile ANE**  
*Professor of Botany and Statistics*  
University of Wisconsin–Madison



> **Maria ANISIMOVA**  
*Head of Applied Computational Genomics and Lecturer, SIB group leader*  
ZHAW School of Life Sciences and Facility Management  
Fachstelle Computational Genomics



> **Niko BEERENWINKEL**  
*Professor Dep. of Biosystems Science and Eng*  
ETH Zürich Computational Biology Group



> **David BRYANT**  
*Professor University of Otago*  
University of Otago, New Zealand



> **Carolin KOSIOL**  
*Lecturer in Bioinformatics*  
University of St Andrews



> **Denise KÜHNERT**  
*Transmission, Infection, Diversification & Evolution Group - Research Group Leader*  
Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History



# Posters

## 1 - Jowkar Gholamhossein

*ARPIP: Ancestral sequence Reconstruction with insertions and deletions under the Poisson Indel Process*

## 2 - Gamblin Jasmine

*Beyond one-gain models for pangenome evolution*

## 3 - Rocu Pauline

*Sampling consistency of diffusion statistics in bayesian phylogeography*

## 4 - Talibart Hugo

*PPalign: Optimal alignment of Potts models representing proteins with direct coupling information*

## 5 - Linard Benjamin

*Improving gene classification into gene families via phylo-k-mers*

## 6 - Romashchenko Nikolai

*Mutual Information-based Feature Selection of Informative Phylo-k-mers*

## 7 - Li Yimin

*Preprocessing Strategies for Bayesian Phylogeographic Analysis Using Large-Scale Genomic Sequence Data*

## 8 - Wirtz Johannes

*Combinatorics of multiple-merger coalescent genealogies*

## 9 - Potter Barney

*Leveraging tools from Nextstrain for bespoke phylogenetic analysis of viral pathogen epidemics*

## 10 - Tuffet Rémi

*Modeling the dynamics of antibiotic resistance genes: towards an ecology of the bacterial pangenome*

## 11 - Zarebski Alexander

*Estimation of reproductive number and prevalence using genomic and time series data*

## 12 - Bastian Mélodie

*Bridging the gap between population genomic and phylogenetic approaches*

## 13 - Moi David

*Convolutional graph networks for Coevolution detection in COVID19*

## 14 - Nahata Kanika

*Bayesian model comparison of molecular clock models - a phylogenetic simulation study*

## 15 - Carpentier Mathilde

*Protein folds as synapomorphies of the tree of life*

## 16 - Boussau Bastien

*Evaluation of methods to detect shifts in directional selection at the genome scale*



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## 17 - Verbiest Max

*Uncovering the Diverse Roles of Short Tandem Repeat Variation in Colorectal Cancer*

## 18 - Genestier Alice

*The influence of genetic dosage on PRDM9-dependent evolutionary dynamics of meiotic recombination*

## 19 - Pourhasanzade Fateme

*An Individual-based model to study the importance of trade-offs in the evolution and diversification of traits in host-phage population dynamics*

## 20 - Hong Samuel

*GPU-accelerated online phylodynamic inference using BEAST*

## 21 - Koubinova Darina

*Intergeneric relationships within Ophioglossaceae untangled with organelle phylogenomics*

## 22 - Paul Zaharias

*The robustness of bootstrap branch supports with respect to taxon sampling*

## 23 - David Swofford

*Likelihood Via Decomposition : A fast, highly parallelizable alternative to Felsenstein pruning for computing likelihoods of phylogenetic trees*







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