ELECTRO-ACTIVITY OF BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS

Introduction

In every living organism or cell, a large number of electric and ionic phenomena occur simultaneously. These are often complex processes, where several elementary chemical reactions can lead to a global response of entire systems, which can then affect their interactions with their environment. The interplay between the different processes is, in essence, multiscale, while their investigation is usually sequentially performed at each scale by different research teams. This EABS workshop aimed at gathering different groups dealing with the electro-activity of biological systems in order to benefit from their methods and results. In turn, it provided a multiscale point of view of the problems associated with the generation, reception and propagation of electric fields, electrons and ions within biological systems.

This international and multidisciplinary workshop, EABS_2015, brought together scientists and students (master and PhD) not only to learn how living systems integrate, take advantage and combine electric and ionic activities to their issues, but also to exchange recent results and to stimulate further interactions.

Each day, four sessions across scales (submicron systems, cells, multicellular systems, animals) were organized with plenary lectures of leading scientists in the different fields, selected talks of young researchers and a poster session.

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Wednesday, Nov. 18th 2015.

9h15-10h00 Registration and welcome coffee

_Session: subcellular systems._

Chairwoman: Emily C. Hollenbeck

10h00-10h40 Invited speaker Pierre Charnet
“Voltage-gated Ca\textsuperscript{2+} channels: structure, permeation and inactivation properties”

10h45-11h25 Invited speaker Tomaso Zambelli
“Force-controlled electrophysiology”

11h30-11h55 Coffee break

_Session: tissues, organs, biofilms._

Chairman: Vic Norris

12h00-12h40 Invited speaker Dominique Chapelle
“Multi-scale modeling of chemo-mechanical coupling in muscle contraction and applications to cardiac modeling”

12h45-14h15 Lunch

Chairwoman: Cécile Delacour

14h20-14h40 Oral conference
• Christian Marlière: "A direct and at nanometer scale study of electrical charge distribution on membranes of alive cells."

14h45-15h25 Invited speaker Derek Lovley
**Session: animals, plants.**

Chairwoman: Cécile Delacour

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**Session: subcellular systems.**

Chairman: Gregory Sutton

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Session: cells and networks.
Chairman: Renaud Cornut

11h15-11h55   Invited speaker            Pascal Darbon
      “Spinal cellular and network properties modulate pain perception”

12h00-12h20   Selected conferences
      • Clément Lafargue: "Electro-Optic Microscopy (EOM) for cell biology"

12h25-13h55   Lunch

Session: tissues, organs, biofilms.
Chairman: Jérôme Delacotte

14h00-14h40   Invited speaker            Alain Berger
      “How could chemical engineering help in deciphering electro-microbial mechanisms?”

Session: animals, plants.

14h45-15h25   Invited speaker            Rüdiger Krahe
      “The active electric sense of weakly electric fish: from electric organ discharge to sensory processing and behaviour.”

15h30-15h50   Selected conferences
      • Thomas Boulier: "A mathematical model for electrolocation in weakly electric field"

15h55-16h25   Coffee break and posters

Chairman: Eric Raspaud

16h30-17h15   Selected conferences
      • Gregory Sutton: "Bumble Bees (Bombus terrestris) use mechanosensory hairs to detect electric fields" (16h30-16h50)
      • Eric Herbert: "Green Thermoelectricity: Observation and analysis of plant thermoelectric response" (16h55-17h15)