

The RdRp Summit

The first international conference dedicated to improving interoperability in the fields of RNA virus discovery and characterization.

RNA virus discovery has seen an explosive couple of years, and there's no signs of slowing down. Yet, there is a rapidly growing schism in how this growing influx of RNA virus data should be identified, analysed, quantified, reported, and shared. The analysis and identification of viral RNA-dependent RNA polymerases (RdRps) is in the centre of this, and the current methodological divergence makes it difficult to evaluate each other's findings and build on each other's work. To advance the field and promote reproducibility and collaboration, we are delighted to invite you to the first "RdRp Summit"—a discussion-centric conference dedicated to establishing an interoperable framework for environmental/uncultivated RNA virology.

Format

The Summit would be a fully hybrid event, split into topic specific sessions, each featuring lightning talks by discussion leaders selected by the organising committee. The rest of the session would be dedicated to a round-table discussion aiming to reach a broad consensus regarding the highlighted topics. Participants are invited to submit (ahead of time) a "info slide"—a single page with relevant or supporting information, which could be projected on the venue screen during discussions.

Venue

The summit will be held on the 22–23 of May, in the days leading to the International Virus Bioinformatics Meeting 2023 (ViBioM) this May, taking place in Valencia, Spain. While we encourage potential registrants to attend physically, the event will include an online video format to accommodate active participation from remote attendees.

Note! The number of in-person participants is limited by the venue's capacity of 130 people.

Location

Departamento de Congresos y Organización de Actividades, ADEIT – FUNDACIÓ UNIVERSITAT-EMPRESA DE VALÈNCIA, Plaça Mare de Déu de la Pau, 3. 46001 València (España) (www.adeituv.es)

Important Dates

09/01/2023	Abstract submission and registration opens
25/03/2023	Abstract submission deadline (lightning talks)
05/04/2023	Notifications for lightning talks
22/05/2023	Kick off Event ("Summit")
01/08/2023	Submission deadline special issue.

Stay tuned and Spread the word!

If you're interested in the event, please sign up to our newsletter by sending us [this email](#). If you know of anyone who might be interested in the summit, feel free to forward them this email!

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