



Banff International Research Station

for Mathematical Innovation and Discovery

PHAC-MITACS Joint Symposium on Modelling Sexually Transmitted and Blood Borne Infections (STBBIs)

August 10-12, 2007

MEALS

*Breakfast: 7:00 – 9:00 am, Lunch: 11:30 am-1:30pm and Dinner 5:30-7:30 pm, Buffet Style, all in Donald Cameron Hall, Saturday & Sunday (*dinner on Sunday excluded in symposium*)

Coffee Breaks: As per daily schedule, 2nd floor lounge, Corbett Hall (*included in symposium*)

*Please remember to scan your meal card at the host/hostess station in the dining room for each meal.

MEETING ROOMS

All lectures will be held in Max Bell 159. Hours: 6 am – 12 midnight. LCD projector, overhead projectors and blackboards are available for presentations. Please note that the meeting space designated for BIRS is the lower level of Max Bell, Rooms 155-159. Please respect that all other space has been contracted to other Banff Centre guests, including any Food and Beverage in those areas.

SCHEDULE

Friday

16:00 Check-in begins (Front Desk – Professional Development Centre - open 24 hours)

Lecture rooms available after 16:00.

19:30 Informal gathering (optional) in 2nd floor lounge, Corbett Hall.

Beverages and small assortment of snacks available in lounge on a cash honour-system.

Saturday

7:00-8:30 Breakfast

8:30-9:00 Tom Wong (PHAC), Opening Remarks and meeting objectives:

Meeting objectives:

- To identify and prioritize public health knowledge gaps in modeling STBBIs
- To develop STBBI collaborative modeling research teams to draft high public health priority proposals to address gaps
- To advice various agencies on the role of mathematical modeling for STBBIs

Jianhong Wu (York U), Faculty of BIRS and MITACS team

The following sessions will be chaired by Jun Wu (PHAC)

9:00-9:30 David Fisman (Ontario Public Health Laboratories Branch), Chlamydia screening modeling study

9:30-10:00 Pauline van den Driessche (U Victoria), Spread of gonorrhoea among the Arianal

10:00-10:30 Tom Wong (PHAC), Canadian surveillance of STIs and hepatitis C

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

The following session will be chaired by Abba Gumel (U Manitoba)

11:00-11:30 Marie-Claude Boily (Imperial College), Modelling male circumcision and its impact on HIV/STI

11:30-12:00 Robert Smith? (U Ottawa), Modelling HPV vaccination

12:00-1:30 Lunch

The afternoon session will be chaired by Tom Wong (PHAC)

1:30-2:45 Group discussions (I), identification of key themes (II) and breakout sessions (III): to identify rapporteur and use powerpoint template to answer distributed questions in order to develop ideas for research projects and networks

2:45-3:00 Coffee break

3:00-4:15 Breakout sessions (continued)

5:30-7:30 Dinner

Sunday

The morning session will be chaired by David Fisman (Ontario Public Health Laboratories Branch)

9:00-10:15 Group discussions: Report from the breakout group discussions

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-11:45 Individual research team breakout meeting to identify a focal point, explore study design, determine next steps and set a follow-up teleconference date

11:45-1:30 Lunch

Checkout by 12 noon.

** participants are welcome to use the BIRS facilities (2nd Floor Lounge, Max Bell Meeting Rooms, Reading Room) until 15:00 on Sunday, although participants are still required to checkout of the guest rooms by 12 noon. There is no coffee break on Sunday afternoon, but self-serve coffee and tea are always available in the 2nd floor lounge, Corbett Hall. **