



Information for Attendees

Dear attendees,

Thank you for participating in our student organised KAAMOS 2020 Symposium. We would like to welcome you to this year's virtual conference hosted through the Zoom platform. This document should guide you through the Symposium dynamics, for further questions, please contact us via email at KaamosSymposium@gmail.com.

Important links

Website and poster: <https://www oulu.fi/uniogs/node/206063>

Conference link: <https://oulu.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Atf-qhqjooGtV71Ku7Bgy5lf3o3xONas13>

Meeting Topic: Kaamos Symposium 2020, 9 - 11 December

Meeting Time: Dec 9, 2020 09:00 AM Helsinki
Every day, 3 occurrence(s)
Dec 9, 2020 09:00 AM
Dec 10, 2020 09:00 AM
Dec 11, 2020 09:00 AM



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Conference dynamics

Registration

Please click on the conference link above and register to the Zoom meeting as a conference attendee as indicated in Figure 1.

Figure 1 is a flowchart illustrating the registration process for the KAAMS Symposium 2020. It starts with a box on the left containing the text 'If you are the meeting host, sign in to start the meeting 640 8394 1201' and a blue 'Sign in to Start' button. Below this, a green arrow points down to a box with the text 'I'm not the meeting host, Join Meeting as an Attendee'. From this box, a green arrow points right to a central box titled 'Meeting Registration'. This box contains social media icons (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube) and details about the symposium: 'Topic: KAAMS Symposium 2020, 9 - 11 December', 'Description: Doctoral students from Ecology and Genetics Unit at University of Oulu organize annually a multidisciplinary conference to discuss current research topics in biology and environmental sciences. The conference includes two days of oral presentations and a workshop on the third day. Everyone is free to join the conference and present their research.', 'You can find the program on our website (https://www.oulu.fi/en/symposium/2020/03)', and 'You are required to register before each session. Please, provide your full name and email address. We will also send you the Abstract book after the Conference.' Below this, there is a 'Time' section with a dropdown menu set to 'Dec 9, 2020 09:00 AM' and a 'Time shows in: Helsinki' link. A green arrow points from the 'Time' section to a final box on the right. This box contains registration fields: 'First Name*', 'Last Name*', 'Email Address*' (with a red border and the note 'This field is required.'), 'Confirm Email Address*', 'State/Province*' (with a dropdown menu), and 'Organization*'. At the bottom of this box is a blue 'Register' button.

You can log in and out of the conference at your convenience. Your microphone and camera will be turned off by the hosts at your entrance to the conference room. Feel free to connect your camera to make the meeting more personal, however we ask you to **keep your microphone turned off** at all times (unless connected by a host).

Presentations

The chairs will broadcast the recorded presentations provided by the presenters to avoid possible technical issues that would affect the scheduling of the talks. The presenters will be live during their presentation slot and will join with their cameras and microphones on for the discussion.

Some presenters have requested to give their talks live. In these cases, we will have the recordings prepared in case of any technical issue.

The presentations are organised in two sessions per day, a morning and an afternoon session, with a coffee break in each one. We will remain online for the coffee break so that we can continue the discussion on the presentations or on any other interesting topics. We recommend you to attend to all the talks in a session (at least between breaks), since there might be slight delays or advancements. This way, you can make sure that you don't miss the beginning of a talk that you are potentially interested in.

There will be one plenary talk in each session, featuring a 50 to 60-minute presentation by an invited speaker, with 10 minutes for discussion. The rest of the talks will be either 15 or 30 minutes, with a 5-minute discussion period.



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Competition: best PhD talk

We want to encourage the participation of scientists in the early stages of their career, so we have organised a competition for the **best PhD presentation**.

The best talk will be chosen through a **Zoom poll** each day of the conference (one vote per person per day). The winners will receive a **gift** sent to their homes or offices. The voting will be done at the end of each day, so don't forget to **stay until the end!**

Questions and answers

The symposium aims to be interactive, therefore questions and discussion are encouraged. You can raise your questions in the two following ways:

- ⇒ Post your questions in the **Chat box**. The chair will read your questions for the presenter once the discussions start. In case there is no time for your question, we encourage you to send it to the speaker, or ask it again at the coffee break if the presenter managed to join.
- ⇒ **Raise your hand** using the Zoom button and wait for the chair to call your name. Once it is your turn, your microphone will be turned on by the chair and you can ask your question to the speaker. We also encourage you to turn on your camera so that the discussion is livelier.

Credits for Students

University of Oulu students:

Bachelor's and master's students can get 2 ECTS credits for attending by:

1. Registering in Weboodi (750629S for Master's and 750629A for Bachelor's students)
2. **Attending the whole symposium**
3. Sending a summary of 5 talks to timo.muotka(at)oulu.fi

Ph.D. students who register in Weboodi (750929J) can get:

- ⇒ 0.5 ECTS credits by attending the **whole symposium** (considered as attendance of scientific seminars according to UniOGS recommendations)
- ⇒ 2 ECTS credits for an oral presentation and attendance of the whole symposium

Students from other universities, please contact us if you would like to receive credits for the conference.



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Workshop on Friday 11th November 2020

Attendance to the workshop “Open Access databases and manipulation of large datasets” is free for everyone. The workshop will also be held via Zoom. This part of the symposium will be highly interactive, so we encourage you to have your cameras and microphones on (unless asked otherwise).

A solid background in R programming is required in order to be able to keep track of the activities and tasks, the organisers will not be able to help those who have never used R before. However, we welcome you to join and listen even if you do not have any R experience, since it is a good moment to get familiarized with the work that can be done.

Please **install the following R packages before joining** for the workshop. We also ask you to **log in at least 5 minutes before** the start of the workshop.

Here are some instructions and a small introduction by **Dr. Luke Eberhart-Phillips**:

The workshop will showcase the rationale for making our longitudinal snowy plover data open and bring you into R for a simple tutorial on how to wrangle the database and swiftly conduct your own analyses and investigations. As an example, we will be conducting a simple analysis of sex-specific ontogeny.

You may find our peer-reviewed open-access article introducing the database [here](#).

You may find the OSF repository of the database [here](#).

And you may find the GitHub repository of the database [here](#) – which we will be utilizing for the purposes of the workshop.

Please come to the workshop with the following packages pre-installed in R (i.e., simply copy-and-paste these three lines into R):

```
install.packages(c("RSQLite", "dplyr", "dbplyr", "knitr", "stringr", "sp", "rgdal",  
"mapview", "RColorBrewer", "webshot", "leaflet", "ggplot2", "kableExtra", "plotly",  
"bamlss", "gridExtra"))
```

You might have compatibility issues with these packages based on your version of R, if so please try to problem solve these package installations before the workshop so that we don't waste valuable time.

We will be conducting the tutorial in RStudio (downloadable for free [here](#)). If you prefer to use other software for utilizing R, no worries, but we can't promise that it will be fully compatible with what we aim to show.

Looking forward to teaching you some new R skills as well as learning some new R skills from you too!
