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2021 Arizona Physiological Society Keynote Speaker William H. Karasov, Ph. D.

University of Wisconsin, Dept. of Forest and Wildlife Ecology



Wildlife Digestion: A View from Molecules to Ecosystems

Digestive physiology links physiology to applications valued by society, such as understanding ecology and ecological toxicology and managing and conserving species. I illustrate this applied and integrative perspective with several case studies. The match between digestive features and diet provides evidence of tradeoffs that preclude doing well on all possible substrates with a single digestive design, and this influences ecological niche partitioning. But some birds, such as wild house sparrow (Passer domesticus) nestlings, are digestively very flexible. Their intestinal maltase activity and mRNA for intestinal maltase glucoamylase specifically and reversibly change when they switch among foods with different starch content. House sparrows, many other

birds and bats absorb water-soluble monomers such as glucose mainly passively via tight junctions between enterocytes (i.e., paracellular absorption). Such species might be good models for studying this process, which is important biomedically for absorption of drugs or low molecular weight natural water-soluble toxins. Determining absorption of environmental contaminants is another important ecological application. Common loon (Gavia immer) chicks absorbed 83% of methyl mercury in fish meals, eliminate the mercury slowly, and consequently are predicted in the wild to bioaccumulate mercury to higher concentrations than in their foods. The quantitative details can be used to set regulatory levels for mercury that will protect wildlife.



2021 Arizona Distinguished Lecture Dr. Steve Wright University of Arizona, Department of Physiology



Maintaining a Positive Outlook: Mechanisms of Organic Cation Transport

The broad selectivity of the renal transport proteins, OCT2 and MATE1, allows them to work in concert to actively secrete many organic cations, including about 40% of prescribed drugs. However, that broad selectivity also makes these processes targets for unwanted drug-drug interactions, some of which result in marked changes in the pharmacokinetics of clearance of co-administered compounds. I will discuss current understanding of mechanisms of interaction of substrates and inhibitors with these transporters.

Dr. Wright received Bachelor's and Master's degrees at the University of California, Davis and a PhD in Marine Biology at the University of California, Irvine. After pursuing a postdoctoral fellowship with Dr. Ernest Wright in the Department of Physiology at the UCLA School of Medicine, he joined the faculty of the Department of Physiology in the College of Medicine at the University of Arizona in 1982 and has been Professor of Physiology since 1992 (and of Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics since 2004). The focus of his research has been on mechanisms of organic electrolyte transport, primarily in the mammalian kidney. The emphasis in recent years has been on the kinetics, energetics and selectivity of organic cation transporters, particularly OCT2 and MATE1.

2021 AZPS ANNUAL MEETING – PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Note: All plenary sessions will take place in the <u>Auditorium (#4)</u>. The poster session will take place in <u>Dr. Arthur G. Dobbelaere Science Hall, Lab 150</u>. Breakfast, lunch, and refreshments will be served in the <u>Auditorium Lobby</u>. Please refrain from bringing food into the Auditorium.

Friday, October 29th, 2021

- 1:00 PMRegistration (Auditorium #4)Poster Setup (AGD Science Hall, Lab 150)
- 1:45 2:00 PM Welcome to the Meeting

2:00 – 3:00 PM Session 1: Tales of Neurophysiology – Part 1 Chairs: Darien Hall, Ph.D., Grand Canyon University Ricardo Gomez, Grand Canyon University

2:00 PM – Tala Curry, College of Medicine-Phoenix, University of Arizona

Fibrillin-1 Mutation Accelerates Blood Brain Barrier Dysfunction and Cerebrovascular Aging, Leaving the Brain More Vulnerable to Traumatic Brain Injury

2:15 PM – Sophia Koziol, AZCOM, Midwestern University

Effects of postnatal maturation on muscarinic acetylcholine receptor distribution in hypoglossal neurons

2:30 PM – Jesse Jauhal, Biomedical Sciences Program, Midwestern University

Maternal dietary deficiencies in one-carbon metabolism during early neurodevelopment results in sex differences in stroke outcome in middle-aged male and female mice offspring

2:45 PM – Luke Endicott, AZCOM, Midwestern University

Age-related changes in the retinoic acid synthesis enzyme, ALDH1A2, in the zebra finch vocal circuit

3:00 – 3:45 PM One Minute Poster Presentations Chairs: Rayna Gonzalez, Ph.D., College of Medicine-Phoenix, U of Arizona Bobby Garvin, Ph.D., College of Medicine-Phoenix, U of Arizona

3:45 – 4:45 PM Session 2: One-Health Physiology Chairs: Layla Al-Nakkash, Ph.D., Midwestern University McCoy Clementson, AZCOM, Midwestern University

3:45 PM – Charles Schaefer, College of Graduate Studies, Midwestern University

Predicting and preventing outbreaks Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, the deadliest tickborne disease in the United States

4:00 PM – Stephany Gonzalez, College of Health Solutions, Arizona State University

Myosin heavy chain mRNA isoform expression is not affected by exercise or "westerntype" diet in mice models

4:15 PM – Robert Folk, College of Graduate Studies, Midwestern University

Decreased aortic smooth muscle contraction in the mouse model of Marfan syndrome: Role of nitric oxide

4:30 PM – Paniz Jasbi, College of Health Solutions, Arizona State University

Microbiome and Metabolome Profiles of High Screen Time in a Cohort of College Students

- 4:45 5:00 PM Break
- 5:00 6:00 PM Arizona Physiological Society Keynote Speaker William H. Karasov, Ph. D. University of Wisconsin Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology Wildlife Digestion: A View from Molecules to Ecosystems Introduction by: Christopher Olson, CGS, Midwestern University
- 6:00 7:30 PM Dinner (Cafeteria)

7:30 – 9:30 PM Poster Session – Beer and Wine Reception

Saturday, October 30th, 2021

8:00 – 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 10:15 AM Session 3: Metabolism, Exercise and Cardiovascular Physiology Chairs: Jose Ek Vitorin, Ph.D., Physiology, University of Arizona Sara Djurich, Physiology, University of Arizona

8:30 AM – Kailin Johnsson, School of Life Sciences, Arizona State University

Reproducibility of a High Fat Diet Induced Weight Gain Over Independent Years

8:45 AM – Linda Wu, Physiological Sciences, University of Arizona Impact of an Exercise Training Intervention on DNA Methylation in Skeletal Muscle

9:00 AM - Dallin Tavoian, Department of Physiology, University of Arizona

High-Resistance Breathing Training Enhances Respiratory Strength and Endurance and Blunts Cardiac Response to Exercise

- 9:15 AM Christian Priday, Biomedical Sciences Program, Midwestern University Marfan syndrome-associated aortic aneurysm: the role of nitric oxide
- 9:30 AM Matthew Klass, College of Medicine-Tucson, University of Arizona Calcium Exchange with Troponin C in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy
- 9:45 AM Alexandra Garvin, College of Medicine-Phoenix, University of Arizona Is Prohibitin a Mediator of Cardiac Fibroblast Activation?
- 10:00 AM Dana Floyd, Basic Medical Sciences, University of Arizona Transient ACE Inhibition Sex-Selectively Impacts Angiotensin II-Induced Fibrogenic Responses
- 10:15 10:30 AM Break

10:30 – 12:00 PM <u>Session 4: Charles Tipton Undergraduate Session</u> Chairs: Mitra Esfandiarei, Ph.D., CGS, Midwestern University Tala Curry, College of Medicine-Phoenix, University of Arizona

10:30 AM – Remembrance to Dr. Charles "Tip" Tipton, Ph.D., University of Arizona By: Dawn Coletta, Ph.D., University of Arizona

- 10:45 AM Chaitanya Sanghadia, College of Medicine-Phoenix, University of Arizona *TBI-Induced and Age-Related Neuroinflammation Intersect at 6-Months Post-Injury*
- 11:00 AM Kristiann Ferreira, Basic Medical Sciences, University of Arizona

Impact of Doxorubicin and Metformin on Cardiac Mitochondrial Electron Transport Chain Proteins

- 11:15 AM Ellaine Villano and Yasmin Leon, Biology, Northern Arizona University Can Astaxanthin Improve Redox Signaling in Older Adults?
- 11:30 AM Megan Anderson, Anatomy and Physiology, Grand Canyon University Neuroprotective Effects of An Over-The-Counter Curcumin Supplement Against Rotenone Induced Toxicity
- 11:45 AM Nafis Eghrari, College of Medicine-Phoenix, University of Arizona Differential expression profiles of S1PR types 1-5 following hypoxia plus glucose deprivation in human cerebrovascular cells

1:00 – 2:15 PM Session 5: Tales of Neurophysiology – Part 2 Chairs: Paulo Pires, Ph.D. University of Arizona Madeline Gauthier, Physiological Sciences, U of Arizona

1:00 PM - Trevor Wendt, Biology, University of Arizona

Unveiling a detrimental role for oxLDL/LOX-1 during occlusive stroke: targeting endothelial health and function

1:15 PM – Sabeeha Reshi, School of Life Sciences, Arizona State University

Therapeutic Potential Of Novel Rexinoids In Prevention And Treatment Of Alzheimer's Disease

1:30 PM – Jade Blackwell, Department of Physiology, University of Arizona

Post-menopausal impairment in brain arteriolar endothelial K+ channel function in a mouse model of Alzheimer's disease

1:45 PM – Kellie Jeong and Asha Kurup, AZCOM, Midwestern University

Investigating muscarinic receptor subtype roles on inspiratory bursting at hypoglossal motoneurons of neonatal mice

2:00 PM – Abdul Algamdy, College of Pharmacy, Midwestern University

Alcohol effects on Dopamine Signaling in the Zebra Finch vocal circuit

- 2:15 2:30 PM Break
- 2:30 3:30 PM Arizona Distinguished Physiologist Lecture Stephen H. Wright, Ph. D. University of Arizona, Department of Physiology Maintaining a Positive Outlook: Mechanisms of Organic Cation Transport Introduction by: Lucy J. Martinez Guerrero, Ph.D., University of Arizona
- 3:30 3:45 PM Break
- 3:45 4:30 PM Business Meeting and Awards