ASV22 Conference Updates Read me!

WELCOME to the **41st Annual Meeting** of the **American Society for Virology**, hosted by the University of Wisconsin virology community, in Frank Lloyd Wright's famous Monona Terrace Convention Center. Here are *important tips* for a successful and enjoyable conference.



<u>Name Badges</u>: You must wear your ASV22 Name Badge to every ASV conference event. The MononaTerrace (MT) is a public facility. Thus, you need your official badge for all sessions, social events, and meals.

<u>COVID Vaccine Status</u>: The ASV Council has mandated that all in-person delegates MUST be fully immunized against SARS-2 coronavirus and show proof of that status before picking up their registration materials. Anyone displaying an ASV22 name badge has met that standard. Face masks are not required, but if wearing one is important to your comfort level, please do so. Free masks are available at the Registration Desk as is information about local pharmacies where you can get tested if required for your travel status. See additional details at: https://asv.org/asv2022/resources/#covid-19.

ASV22 Program App and Wi-Fi: The full ASV22 program (scientific, educational, and social) is available on the ASV 2022 Mobile App. Free high-speed Wi-Fi is accessible at the MT. The domain & password (available at meeting).

Friday Meet & Greet: After registering at the MT, ASV delegates are invited to the UW Memorial Union Terrace for an informal mixer on Friday evening (ASV Bus loop 4, 4:00-8:00 PM). Your ASV22 name badge is required to buy beer at the Union. Look for the virologists (with ASV22 badges) lounging near the lake on the north (back) side of the Terrace.

<u>Saturday Morning Parkrun</u>: Local virologists David and Shelby O'Conner invite ASV participants to join their weekly run on the Howard Temin Lakeshore Path, Saturday at 9 AM. Starting on the westside of Memorial Union, the parkrun is a free, timed 5K run/walk held each Saturday. For more information, go to: <u>https://www.parkrun.us/howardteminlakeshorepath</u>.

<u>Saturday Reception</u>: The ASV22 Opening Reception is a Wisconsin Bucky Tailgate dinner served in Exhibit Hall A (MT lower level) accompanied by beverage service there and on the Grand Terrace (Level 4). The Keynote presentation (5:30 PM, Ballroom ABCD) is followed by evening workshops (7:00-10:00 PM).

<u>Saturday Diversity, Equity Inclusion Reception</u>: Participants are invited to a special get-to-know-you social in the Community Terrace (4:30 PM) as a subset of the Saturday reception. Bring your beer & brat and make new connections.

Sunday Wisconsin Reunion: Wisconsin alumni and friends are invited to an informal gathering on Sunday afternoon (4:30– 5:30 PM) to enjoy tall tales and old acquaintances at the east end of the MT Grand Terrace. You can identify yourself as a Badger with a free UW alum sticker available at the Registration Desk.

<u>Monday Special Event</u>: The Herpetic Legion Persistence Tour will reactivate in Madison at the High Noon Saloon (701 East Washington Ave) on Monday evening. Doors open at 8:30 PM. If you're not working that night, enjoy this fantastic, fun diversion!

ASV22 Meals: ASV delegates will be admitted to lunch on Sunday, Monday, & Tuesday, and dinner on Saturday, Sunday, & Monday and the 41st ASV Banquet on Tuesday evening in Exhibit Hall A. Admission requires your ASV name badge. Saturday lunch is open to satellite registrants only. For some meals in Exhibit A, ASV catering will offer specific serving lines for vegan/vegetarian (green dots) and/or diet sensitivities (black dots) indicated on your name badge. These choices are restricted to those who pre-indicated those preferences. Breakfast at the dorms is included in that housing package.

<u>Cafés in the MT</u>: Additional food is available at the Lake Vista Café on the spectacular MT Rooftop, open 11 AM to 8 PM (3 PM on Monday), weather permitting. On the Grand Terrace, the Grandview Café offers snacks. The hours are variable.

Evening Social Mixers: Folks can gather on the Grand Terrace (Level 4) for conversation over Wisconsin beer, wine, soda, and snacks at day's end (9:30–11:30 PM) Sat.–Mon. ASV22 drink tickets can be used.

ASV22 Banquet & Dance: Dinner will be served in the combined Exhibit Halls, 6:30–8:15 PM Tuesday. Admission is open to all delegates and registered guests with ASV22 name badges. Drink tickets are accepted and wine by the bottle will be available for purchase (should advisors want to reward their students for successful ASV presentations!). Virolympics and Exhibitor prize winners will be announced during dessert. The ASV22 Dance follows the banquet in the Exhibit Halls.

Drink Tickets: Each drink ticket (issued at registration) is good for one glass of wine or draft beer at any ASV22-sponsored bar event. An assortment of beers from local breweries was chosen to highlight the breadth of Wisconsin's microbiological prowess. Beer/wine can also be purchased (cash only). No outside alcohol is allowed into the MT. Bartenders will refuse service to anyone without an ASV22 name badge or those behaving irresponsibly. Soda does not require a drink ticket. For environmental conservation, no bottled water will be served. Refill water stations are found throughout the MT.

<u>ASV is going GREEN</u>: Show off your conservation prowess by bringing a previous ASV conference bag with you. If you do, then stop by ASV communications table to win bragging rights for the oldest ASV bag! After the meeting, save your ASV22 badge lanyards as they can be reused next year at ASV23. They'll be issuing the exact same style. Recycling is good!!

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<u>Tuesday Virolympics - Games & Prizes</u>: Madison's virology grad students will host the 3rd ASV Virolympics on the Grand Terrace from 5 – 6:30 PM (Tues). These fun competitions in carnival-style booths will include virus-related amusements. Participants may win raffle tickets for fabulous prizes, including an Apple iPad and Giant Microbes. <u>Winners must be present at the Banquet to claim their prize</u>. Be sure to review your Field's Virology!



<u>ASV Travel & ASVCares Awards</u>: Those who were informed of receiving an ASV Travel Award or an ASVCares Award may pick up their checks at the MT Registration Desk, starting Sunday morning. You will be required to provide identification and sign for your award. Awards not picked up by Tuesday afternoon will be returned to the ASV Office.

Speaker Information: All speakers in Workshop, State-of-the-Art, Plenary, Satellite Symposia, ASV Business, or Edu/Career events <u>MUST</u> bring their Power Point presentation to the Speaker Ready Room (SRR, Meeting Room LMPQ) *no later than THREE HOURS before their session begins*. SRR volunteers will upload your file, verify proper function of your presentation, and transfer it to the appropriate presentation room. <u>Please avoid</u> the busiest upload times (coffee breaks and meals). Private space in Meeting Room N is available for those wishing to practice their talks. Sign-up in the SRR.

Posters: Set-up for Poster Session #1 is Sunday, 8 AM-1:30 PM in Exhibit Hall B (Level 1). Poster Session #2 setup is Monday, 8 AM-1:30 PM. Poster board space (4x4 ft) will be marked with each Abstract's number as per the Program Book/mobile app. Poster fasteners will be provided. Authors must be present for discussion during their designated time: Session #1 (Sunday, 8:30–10 PM) or Session #2 (Monday, 8:30–10 PM). **IMPORTANT**: Posters **MUST be removed immediately at the end of each session** (10 PM that day). Abandoned (or unremoved) posters will be taken down and stashed temporarily in Exhibit Hall B. After Tuesday lunch, unclaimed posters may be discarded.

<u>ASV22 T-shirts</u>: T-shirts pre-ordered via the ASV registration web site should be picked up at the MT Registration Desk. A few additional T-shirts may be available for purchase (credit cards accepted). Pre-ordered shirts that are not picked up during Saturday and Sunday registration will be sold later on-site (not shipped). These fashion statements will go fast!

<u>Job & Message Boards</u>: Employment opportunities and messages for ASV delegates can be posted on information boards near the MT Ballrooms/Grand Terrace. Please check these boards continuously for new postings.

ASV22 Lounge/Internet: Need to get away or just a quiet place to chat with collaborators? A comfortable lounge (Meeting Rooms K/O) is available with power outlets for device charging. Please limit your plugin time so others may have access.

<u>Mothers</u>: There are private rooms available at Monona Terrace for nursing mothers. Please go to main information desk on level 4 to ask for an available room.

Exhibitors: Vendors and publishers will be exhibiting in the MT Lakeside Commons from Sun.-Tues. New technologies and publications will be on display. Exhibitors will be available to answer your questions. Make it a point to visit every exhibit. An **"Exhibitor Passport**" (in registration materials) can win valuable prizes to be awarded at the Tuesday Banquet.

<u>Madison Airport Buses for Arrival</u>: (Friday and Saturday) Free courtesy ASV buses will loop between the Dane County Regional Airport and MT on Friday from 4 - 8 PM and Saturday from 8 AM – 4 PM. Yellow buses with ASV signs will load outside at the transportation island and depart every ~30-40 min. ASV22 volunteers (black ASV shirts) will be in the waiting area on the way to baggage claim to provide directions. The bus ride to the MT will take ~30 minutes depending on traffic.

<u>ASV Shuttle Buses</u>: From the MT, other courtesy yellow buses will loop continuously between the MT, ASV hotels, and the university dorms from 4 - 8 PM Friday, 7 AM - 11:30 PM on Sat.—Tues, and 7 AM-1:30 PM Wed. The MT pickup/drop site is on north side of W Wilson Street (MT level 5) one block north of the MT. The courtesy routes, and pickup locations are detailed on the ASV22 mobile app, ASV22 website, or the MT Bus Board. Don't wait until the last minute to catch a bus - they will be crowded. If you miss the final bus (11:30 PM), please find a friend to walk to your hotel or take a taxi (see below).

<u>Madison Airport Buses for Return</u>: (Wed) ASV courtesy buses will loop between the MT and Dane County Regional Airport from 7 AM – 1:30 PM on Wed. **RESERVATIONS** for the airport bus are required. Passengers must sign-up for a specific departure time on the Bus Board near the MT Ballrooms <u>by 5 PM on Monday</u>. You should arrive at the airport 2 hours before your flight. The airport ride takes ~30 minutes depending on traffic. For those departing directly from MT, secure storage for personal luggage will be available on Wed. morning at the west end of the Grand Terrace (Level 4).

<u>Madison Parking</u>: ASV22 hotels each have individual parking requirements and costs. For parking at the MT garage/ramp (daily) or nearby downtown areas, please check <u>https://visitdowntownmadison.com/park</u> for costs and maps.

Taxi: Madison has several prompt and courteous cab services: Badger Cab: 608-256-5566; Union Cab: 608-242-2000, Madison Taxi: 608-255-8294. Some ASV hotels may provide transportation upon request. Madison is Uber and Lyft friendly.

<u>More Information</u>: The MT Registration Desk (Level 4) is staffed by University of Wisconsin Union Conference Management personnel, who are experts in everything Madison and Wisconsin. They can answer all questions about conference registration & events. The Registration Desk is also the conference first-aid station and lost-and-found.

ENJOY THE MEETING !!!