

Tunicata 101

a series of three webinars designed to provide essential background and foundational knowledge for our community

All webinars will be held at the following synchronized time:

save the dates!



Japan (JST): 23:00

Berlin (CEST): 16:00

California (PDT): 07:00

**Ascidian
Taxonomy**

Thursday, April 9th

**Ascidian
Embryology &
Neurobiology**

Thursday, May 7th

**Pelagic Tunicate
Morphology**

Thursday, June 4th

Speaker: Dr. Marie Nydam
(Soka University of America)

Speaker: Prof. Takehiro Kusakabe
(Konan University, Japan)

Speaker: Prof. Thomas Stach
(Humboldt-Universität zu
Berlin, Germany)

We will kick off the series with an exploration of the evolutionary relationships and systematic classification of ascidians. Dr. Nydam will discuss how phylogenomic tools and population genetics are reshaping our understanding of tunicate evolution.

About our first Speaker:

Dr. Marie Nydam is a marine evolutionary geneticist who earned her PhD in Evolutionary Biology from Cornell University and conducted postdoctoral research at UC Santa Barbara. She utilizes phylogenomic and population genetic tools to study complex evolutionary questions within ascidians.



Host:

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