

# MIDWEST NEGLECTED INFECTIOUS DISEASES MEETING



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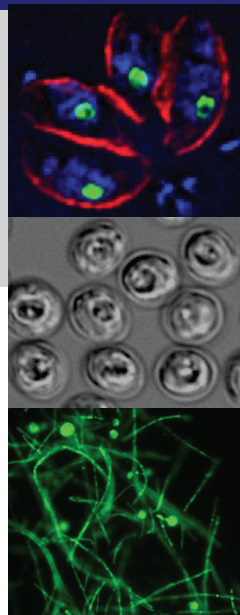
August 11-12, 2023



MNID is the only regional meeting focused on parasitic and fungal infections. This is an excellent opportunity for the Midwest parasitology and mycology community to meet in a relatively small group setting, learn from each other and foster collaborations. **Registration and meals are free.** This is a fantastic platform for trainees to present their research findings, interact and network. A total of 20 talks and 2 poster sessions are planned.

## Topics

Cell and molecular biology of parasites and fungi  
Evolutionary genetics of parasitic and fungal pathogens  
Virulence mechanisms of parasites and fungi  
Host-pathogen interactions  
Immune response to parasitic and fungal infections  
Drug resistance and drug discovery



## Parasitology Keynote Speaker

### Boris Striepen, Ph.D

Mark Whittier and Lila Griswold Allam Professor of Microbiology & Immunology  
University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, PA

## Junior Faculty Fungal Keynote Speaker

### Karen Wozniak, Ph.D

Assistant Professor of Microbiology & Genetics  
Oklahoma State University, OK



**Registration and Abstract submission link:**

<https://forms.gle/NYdeyr3VqtJNMpTdA>

**Abstracts for  
talk  
consideration  
due:  
June 9, 2023**

**For more information about the meeting, go to <https://go.illinois.edu/mnid23>**

## Steering committee

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