International Conference on Biomedical Ontology (ICBO 2011)
Doctoral and Postdoctoral Colloquium
July 27, 2011
Call for Papers

Important Dates:
• April 20, 2011: Deadline for submission of extended abstracts for doctoral and postdoctoral colloquium.
• May 10, 2011: Notification of acceptance of colloquium submissions.
• June 10, 2011: Deadline for submission of camera-ready copy
• July 27, 2011: Doctoral and Postdoctoral Colloquium (4pm-7pm)

Scope of colloquium
The ICBO 2011 conference will be preceded by a three hour doctoral and postdoctoral colloquium. This event is designed to provide an opportunity for current PhD students and postdoctoral researchers to give a short presentation of their research with ample time for feedback and mentorship. It will also allow participants to network with other early career scientists in ontology and biomedicine. Attendance is open to anyone registered for the main ICBO conference; however presenters should be active doctoral students or postdoctoral researchers.

Submission Guidelines
Intending participants should submit a 1-page extended abstract, which may be a description of their current or planned research, an abstract of their PhD proposal, or a description of a related issue such as methodology. The research should either have a significant ontology component already or a plan to utilize ontologies in the future.

Presentation
Accepted submissions will be presented as short talks (timing will depend on the final number of accepted submissions), with additional time for questions and discussion. Accepted submissions will be published in the main conference proceedings.
**Travel Support**
There will be an opportunity for authors of accepted colloquium submissions to receive funding to support attendance at the ICBO conference through generous support from the National Human Genome Research Institute. Support for attending the conference is open to US citizen graduate students. Please contact Barry Smith for more information (phismith@buffalo.edu).

**Contact**
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