

## Goal

To increase Nagoya University's global visibility, to strengthen existing ties, and to promote new collaborations with research institutes across the world.



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Nagoya University: International Science Exchange Lecture:

## Dr. Conor McMeniman

Assistant Professor at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health



## **Decoding Mosquito Sensory Biology**

Mosquitoes are amongst the most dangerous animals on earth. To decode mosquito sensory biology, we have recently engineered optimized genetic toolkits for neuroanatomical studies and functional imaging in the nervous systems of the yellow fever mosquito Aedes aegypti and African malaria mosquito Anopheles gambiae. Progress in our laboratory mapping neural circuitry driving mosquito attraction

to humans and avenues towards exploration of multisensory integration in the mosquito brain will be discussed.



**Date:** May 12<sup>th</sup> 2022, 10 am JST

Research fields: Chemical ecology, genome engineering, neurobiology.

**Research mission**: To develop innovative strategies that lure or repel mosquitoes away from humans to eliminate transmission of vector-borne diseases.



Designated research groups':

- **★** Students (M + PhD)
- **★** PDs + research fellows
- **★** Asst./Assc./Full professors
- **★** B students and external faculty welcome

**Lecture time:** 1 hour

(on Teams)

a. Introduction of speaker by NU host (1-5 min)



c. Presentation of unsolved problems that require input or collaboration

d. Discussion & questions on b. + c.



## **About NU:ISE**

Early career scientists from international institutes are invited to give a lecture on their research. The talk will include both published results and current open questions, with the aim of promoting discussion and potentially starting new collaborations.

Talks will be held in group(s) with matching research interests.

In the name of 'Science Exchange', the hosting group is encouraged to nominate a candidate from their network (from NU) to give a talk at the invitee's institute, either within the same or a different research group.

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