BIOCHEMISTRY BOOT CAMP

Hand Lab, Room 3336 June 6 - 8

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM OF EVENTS (Last Update: 4/23/2018)

All events are scheduled to take place in *Hand Lab Room 3336* (first floor, *not the ground floor*) unless otherwise noted. Please note this room is different from originally planned. For updates and more information, please visit http://fitzkee.chemistry.msstate.edu/bootcamp/.

Wednesday, June 6			
8:00 am	"No-Frills" Breakfast Bagels, doughnuts, coffee, and juice		
9:00 am	Introductory Remarks	Nick Fitzkee	
9:05 am	Session 1: Protein Structure Primary, secondary, tertiary structure; origins of function	TBD	
10:20 am	Break		
10:30 am	Session 2: Protein Properties and Online-Databases ExPASy, Entrez	TBD	
11:50 am	Group Photo		
12:00 pm	Break for Lunch (on your own)		
1:30 pm	Session 3: Introduction to UNIX Filesystem, running programs, X-windows, working with text files	TBD	
2:50 pm	Break		
3:00 pm	Session 4: Model Fitting and GnuPlot Model basics, uncertainties and errors, chi-squared	Nick Fitzkee	
4:30 pm	Discussion and Day 1 Wrap-Up Take Home Lab: GNUPlot for Chemists	Participants	
5:00 pm	Break for Dinner (on your own)		

Thursday, June 7

	Session 5: Working in the Lab: Laboratory Safety, Waste, and Techniques		
9:00 am	Laboratory Safety	Matt Thomas, EHS	
10:30 am	Break		
10:40 am	Chemical Waste Disposal at MSU	Ben Sharpe, EHS	
11:00 am	Demo: Using a Micropipette	Nick Fitzkee	
11:30 am	Break for Lunch (on your own)		
1:00 pm	Session 6: DNA Structure and Properties Basic properties, PCR, predicting melting temperatures	Nick Fitzkee	
2:20 pm	Break		
2:30 pm	Session 7: The PDB and Molecular Visualization Using PyMOL for analysis and figures	Nick Fitzkee	
3:30 pm	Session 8: Keeping a Lab Notebook	TBD	
4:50 pm	Discussion and Day 2 Wrap-Up Take Home Lab: Practice Using PyMOL	Participants	
5:00 pm	Break for Dinner (on your own)		
Friday, June 8			
9:00 am	Session 9: Basic Bioinformatics Homology, sequence alignment, and BLAST	Nick Fitzkee	
10:20 am	Break		
10:30 am	Session 10: Literature Databases and EndNote	TBD	
11:50 am	Survey and Day 3 Wrap-Up	Participants	
12:00 pm	Depart		