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The Canterbury Tales, revisited 2010 ISOP/BSPB Joint Meeting, Canterbury, UK Meeting details and information suitable for travel planning are now available at the conference website,

http://www.uga.edu/protozoa/meetings/isop2010/home.html. Registration and abstract submission will open in February. Early registration closes April 15.

The 60th annual meeting of the International Society of Protistologists will be held jointly with the British Society for Protist Biology from 18-23 July 2010.

In the spirit of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, meeting organizers have developed an informative and contemporary program that assembles

a wide range of participants: students, young investigators, and established scientist from diverse backgrounds. In that effort, ISOP and BSPB are sponsoring one full symposium and several mini-symposia.

ISOP Symposium: Alternative Nutritional Strategies. Chair: Bob Sanders, Temple University.

Bob Sanders, Temple University, *Alternative nutritional strategies in freshwater protists: a short review* Diane Stoecker, University of Maryland, *Acquired phototrophy in ciliates*

Ruben Sommaruga, University of Innsbruck, *A photobiological perspective of mixotrophy in ciliates* Per Juel Hansen, University of Copenhagen, *Role of food uptake and photosynthesis in free-living marine dinoflagellates*

Hae Jin Jeong, Seoul National University, Mixotrophy in the raphidophytes

Mini-symposium: *Dynamics of Genomes and Life Cycles*. Chairs: Laura Katz & Laura Parfrey, Smith College.

Mini-symposium: *Bioinformatics as a Tool to Understanding the Biology & Biochemistry of Parasitic and Free-living Protists*. Chairs: Burt Goldberg, New York University & Tim Paget, Universities of Kent and Greenwich at Medway

Plenary speakers: David Lloyd, University Wales, Cardiff, *TBA* Martin Embley, Newcastle University, *TBA*

Mini-symposium: Species Concepts in Protists, Cryptic Species, Parasites and Non-parasites. Chair: Tom Cavalier-Smith, University of Oxford.

Mini-symposium: *New Insights into Free-living Flagellates*. Chairs: David Bass, Natural History Museum, London & Edvard Glücksman, University of Oxford.

Mini-symposium: *Pushing the Boundaries: Protist Diversity Never Ending*. Chair: Jan Keithly, Wadsworth Center.

Plenary speaker: Ross Waller, University of Melbourne, TBA

Mini-symposium: *From Gause to Gaia: Using Protists to Model Ecological Processes.* Chairs: David Montagnes, University of Liverpool & Steve Wickham, University of Salzburg .

Plenary speaker: Owen Petchey, Sheffield University, Extinctions, warming, and food webs linked using microbial microcosm experiments