



**The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Midwest Neglected Infectious Diseases Meeting**  
**August 27-28<sup>th</sup> 2017**

University of Notre Dame College of Science  
Center for Rare and Neglected Diseases

Registration is Free but required.

To register please contact Corianne Kellems [ckellems@nd.edu](mailto:ckellems@nd.edu)

### **Meeting Overview**

After a hiatus in 2016, MNID is back! The MNID meeting is the only regional meeting in the Midwest that features forefront research focused on the pathogenesis of fungal and parasitic diseases. This meeting fills an important void, as the parasitic and fungal diseases, while crucially important; do not receive sufficient “press” at many major biology meetings. Over the past years the meetings have included 100-130 scientists from seven states; Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Iowa, and Missouri.

For the 2017 meeting, we are also planning a joint session on with the 2107 Midwest Microbial Pathogenesis Meeting, on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

Preliminary Program of speakers listed below.

**Short (10 min) talks and Abstract submission.** Short talks will be selected from submitted abstracts. **Deadline August 5<sup>th</sup> 2017.** Please submit abstracts (maximum length 200 words) by email to Corianne Kellems [ckellems@nd.edu](mailto:ckellems@nd.edu)

**Poster deadline. August 23, 2017**

### **Preliminary Program**

**Dr. Laura Knoll, University of Wisconsin, Madison Wisconsin**  
***Toxoplasma and co-infections.***

**Dr. Min Zhang, Indiana University School of Medicine (Sullivan Lab)**  
***Malaria: latency and translational control.***

**Dr. Vern Carruthers, University of Michigan**  
***Microbial invasion egress and survival***

**Dr. Chad Rappeley, Ohio State University**  
*Fungal pathogenes: Histoplasma capsulatum*

**Dr. Vicki Jeffers, Indiana University School of Medicine (Sullivan Lab)**  
*Toxoplasma: epigenetics and drug resistance.*

**Dr. Michal Olszewski, University of Michigan**  
*Immunology of Cryptococcus*

**Dr. Ke Hu, Indiana University, Bloomington**  
*Toxoplasma cell biology*

**Dr. Steven Templeton, Indiana University School of Medicine**  
*Aspergillosis*

**Dr. Kasturi Haldar, University of Notre Dame**  
*Drug Resistance Plasmodium: Artemisinin*

**Dr. Raj Gaji Indiana University School of Medicine (Arrizabalaga lab)**  
*Toxoplasma lytic cycle, kinases.*

**Dr. Miguel Morales, University of Notre Dame**  
*Development of novel anti-Leishmania chemotherapeutics.*