



THANKS FOR SUBSCRIBING TO THE #ISBR2019 NEWSLETTER!

The recent International Society for Biosafety Research (ISBR) 15th Symposium "Horizons in Biotechnology: Risk Analysis for a Sustainable Future" ran from 1 to 4 April in Tarragona, Spain. In this concluding #ISBR2019 newsletter, we link to a summary of the event, other resources and references to continue your engagement with fellow academics, technology developers, industry, regulatory authorities, non-government organisations and other stakeholders interested in biosafety research.



PROGRAM NEWS

The complete Symposium Program - all four plenary sessions, 15 parallel sessions, 6 workshops, two poster sessions and two Pecha Kucha events, plus receptions, side events and fellow participants – will remain archived on the official website and you can access the [here](#).

The active ISBR members will also have access to the Plenary and Parallel presentations via the [ISBR website](#) shortly!

If you wish to become an ISBR member, please contact us on admin@isbr.info.



SYMPOSIUM SUMMARY

Alliance for Science correspondent Justin Cremer summarized the key themes and topics discussed during ISBR 2019 in this [article](#).

Another summary can be found in the South Asia Biosafety Program April 2019 newsletter. To read further please click [here](#)!

There was also a rich thread of tweets throughout the Symposium! Search the hashtag #ISBR2019.

Please check our [Facebook](#) page for more pictures and if you wish to share you photos of the symposium, you can do so [here](#)!

SYMPOSIUM SURVEY

Please complete the brief post-event survey that was sent by email to all participants. What topics were most valuable? What could have been better? And if you didn't receive that email or need it resent, send an email to admin@isbr.info.

Upon completion of the survey you'll be able to download an official certificate of attendance for the Symposium.

Your feedback is important for shaping #ISBR2021.

PHOTO COMPETITION WINNERS

During the ISBR2019 the winners of the Photo competition were announced!

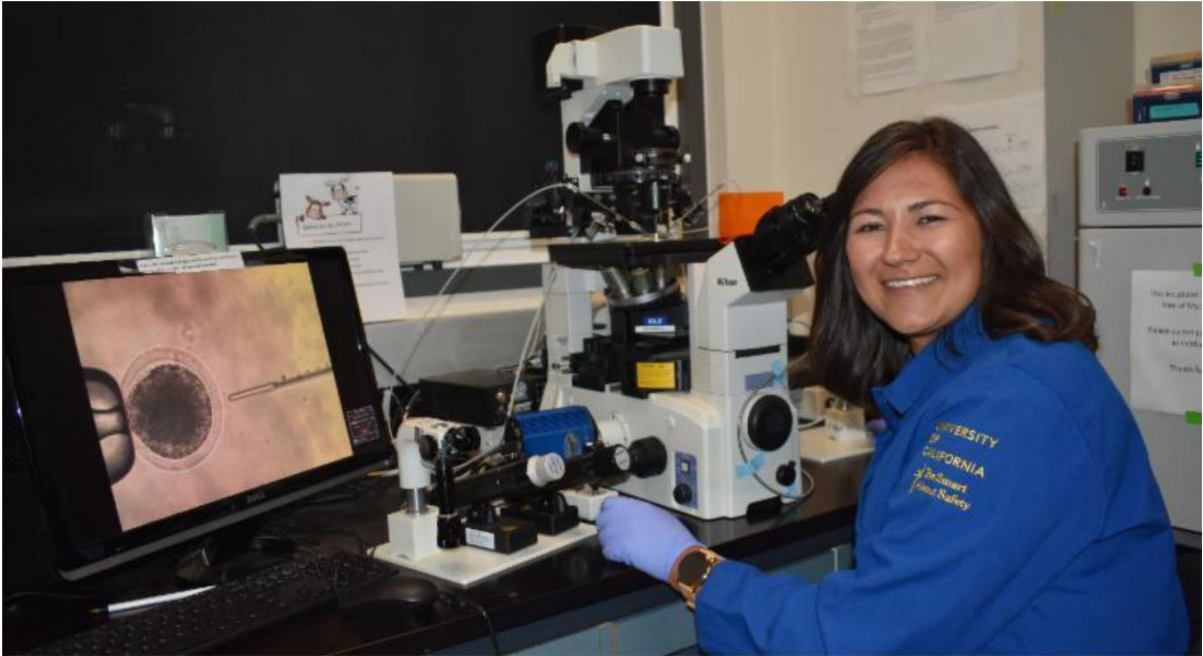
1st place - Bt brinjal farmer Khalilur Rahman from Bangladesh and Bangladeshi youth supporting access to science initiated by Farming Future Bangladesh - Alliance for Science - Arif Hossain @ariffromel



2nd place - Rice_seed - Sarah M Schmidt @healthy_crops



3rd place - Editing - Alison VanEenennaam @BioBeef



POSTER COMPETITION

During the ISBR2019 there were more than 60 posters presented by the attendees!

All the posters were eligible for the poster competition with the Institute for International Crop Improvement at the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center (DDPSC) generously

sponsoring the prizes. 1st prize was a trip to attend DDPSC's Fall Science Symposium in St. Louis, MO, USA from Sept. 26-27, 2019 and two runner-up prizes were one-year subscriptions to Nature Biotechnology + USD \$300.

With so many strong entries it was difficult for the judges to choose the best ones!!

1st Place:

Reassessment of exclusion Zones of GM Cotton in Brazil: the case of Rondônia State - Paulo A. V. Barroso, Vicente de P. C. Godinho, Embrapa territorial, Campinas, Brazil, Embrapa Rondônia, Vilhena Experimental Field, Vilhena, Brazil

Joint 2nd:

Evaluation of Whole Genome Sequencing and an Insertion Site Characterization Method for Molecular Characterization of GM Maize - Rebecca Cade, Hope Hart - Product Safety, Syngenta, 9 Davis Drive, Durham, NC United States

Evolution of the Environmental Risk Assessment of Stack GM Crops in Argentina - Marina Muhl, Agustina Whelan and Facundo Vesprini Biotechnology Directorate, Agro-industry Governmental Secretariat, Argentinian Ministry of Production and Labor, Ciudad Autonoma de Buenos Aires, Argentina





16th ISBR SYMPOSIUM - ISBR2021

The next ISBR symposium will be held in St. Louis USA in September 2021. If you wish to get involved, please email admin@isbr.info.

St. Louis, September 2021



POST-SYMPOSIUM PUBLISHING OPPORTUNITY



As in the past, the International Society for Biosafety Research (ISBR) is hosting a Research Topic on '**Biosafety of Genetically Engineered Organisms**' in the Frontiers journals, *Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology: section Biosafety and Biosecurity* and *Frontiers in Plant Science: section Plant Biotechnology*.

These are high quality, peer-reviewed, open-access journals that offer a broad range of article types to consider for a publication. All speakers, poster presenters, and session organizers at ISBR2019 in Tarragona, Spain in April are invited to publish a paper based on their presentation as part of this 'Research Topic'.

ISBR sees this as an opportunity to capture and share with a broader audience the high-quality content of the symposium that is uniquely relevant to the topic of biosafety research. To learn more about the Research Topic and the Frontiers journals, please visit the [Research Topic website](#) or contact Karen Hokanson, Chair of the ISBR Publications Committee and Research Topic Editor, [here](#).

STAY CONNECTED WITH ISBR ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Keep following @isbr2019 on Twitter and Facebook, where we continue an active discussion of topics raised in the symposium.

