

## What is the Society for Viral Studies?

We aim to encourage scientific discussion, research, and exploration within UF's undergraduate students who are interested in a career in science! We host a variety of meetings, guest lectures, socials, volunteer events, and trips with the common goal of developing the next generation of scientists. There is no major requirement to be involved and we do not charge dues.

Travel | Research | Mentorship | Volunteering | Leadership







Be a UF Student



Attend 3/3 of meetings and 1/3 of events



Benefits:
-Priority sign-up for trips
-Priority for committee
positions









**President - Hailey Ballard** 

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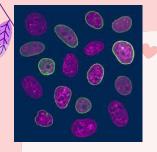




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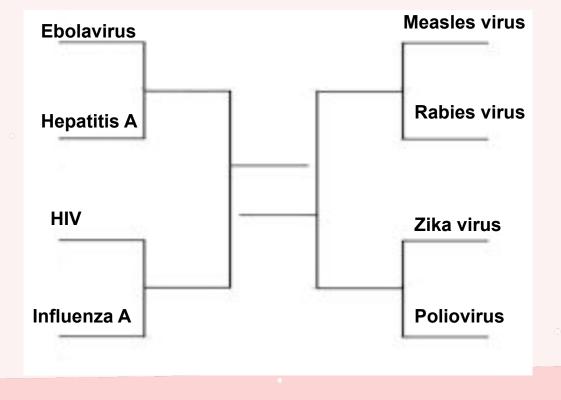
Assistant Professor of Food Virology

Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition



### The Virion: Bachelor-Style!





## Panel Committee Members!



#### Careers in Virology Panel

- Ellen Fleming
  - Jaclyn Siu
    - Antonia LoFranco
- Olivia Zimmer

Please see Brianna after tonight's meeting!

#### Healthcare Career Panel

- Sophie Penafiel
  - Kira Kazi
  - Urvi Patel
- Alexa Del Mazo
- Michele Himadi





### **Upcoming Guest Speakers**

## Melissa Jones, PhD

Researches the relationship between human noroviruses and host bacteria



03.14.2022

## Emily Helm, MD-PhD Candidate

Researches norovirus virulence in mouse models



04.11.2022

### COVID-19 Information Outreach Event

Thanks to everyone who came out to our first planning event!

Stay tuned in the slack channel for our next event.







#### Valentine's Volunteering!

We are sending virtual Valentine's to hospitals!

Scan the QR codes to select a card and write a message









#### Journal Club!

Anti-microbial activity of whole blood and plasma collected from Anna's Hummingbirds (Calypte anna) against three different microbes

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7289396/







### Method Spotlight

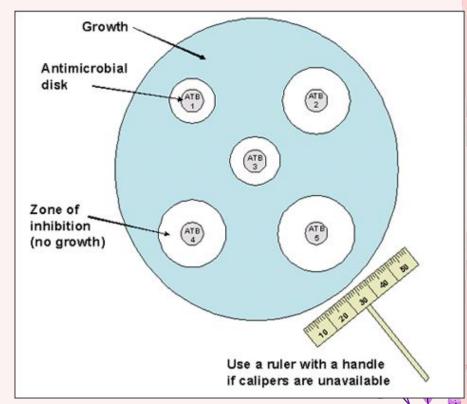
#### Antimicrobial Disk Assay

#### Purpose:

Antimicrobial susceptibility testing can be used for drug discovery, epidemiology and prediction of therapeutic outcome (Balouiri et al., 2016)

#### **Protocol:**

- 1. Agar plates are inoculated.
- 2. Filter paper discs (about 6 mm in diameter), containing the test compound at a desired concentration, are placed on the agar surface.
- 3. Petri dishes are incubated under suitable conditions.
- 4. Generally, antimicrobial agent diffuses into the agar and inhibits germination and growth of the test microorganism.
- 5. Diameters of inhibition growth zones are measured (Balouiri et al., 2016)



## Various Announcements

#### **Study Edge**

Use the code "ufviral" and SVS gets 10% of your monthly payment!

#### **Viral Merch**

Use the QR Code below to order, T-shirts, stickers, and graduation cords

#### Textbook Library

Save money and borrow textbooks, PDFs, and lab supplies from SVS!

#### **Study Bank**

Check out the SVS
Study bank for notes,
quizlets, and other
resources for classes
taken by fellow
members and officers!







## Campus Announcements/Opportunities

- CALS Undergraduate Scholarship Applications are open now, and due 3/21
  - https://cals.ufl.edu/current-students/scholarships/
- CLAS Undergraduate Scholarship Applications open 2/19 and close
   4/4
  - https://clas.ufl.edu/undergraduate/undergrad-scholarships/
- Virology Sticker Sale!
  - Stickers have been ordered! We will be distributing them at our
     next GBM
    - Still time to order!





Spring Healthcare Career Panel Monday, March 28th at 7:30 pm | Reitz Union Room G325

Careers in Virology Panel Date TBA

Spring Banquet Sunday, April 10th



#### **Viral Jeopardy**

Date: Tuesday, March 1st at 7pm

In the Reitz and over Zoom

#### **GatorWell STD/STI Presentation**

Monday, February 28th at 7:30 pm

#### **Mentor/Mentee Social**

Please vote in the google form in the channel!

#### **Fundraiser at Restaurant**

Jeremiah's Ice: Thursday, March 24th!





## SVS GBM Schedule



Join us in person or on Zoom! Meetings start at 7:30pm

















Zoom ID: 228 622 3398





## The Maruniak Legacy

- Balance your PIES
  - Physical, emotional, and intellectual wellbeing with sleep
- Remove "um" from your vocabulary
- Question everything
- When everyone says you can't, keep going
- Don't limit yourself; keep your options open
- Don't be scared to ask for help



Dr. Jim Maruniak

Club Founder



## Final Announcements

#### **Facebook**

Page: UF Society for Viral Studies

@virology.uf

**Group: UF Society for Viral Studies** 

#### Join Slack

Scan QR code

See Hailey for assistance, or use directions in the email



#### Website

virologyuf.weebly.com

#### **Next GBM**

Monday, February 28th

7:30pm

**Reitz G325 or on Zoom** 



#### Instagram

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# Thanks!





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