



Vast potential of algae and cyanobacteria – – from diversity to application



May 27th -30th, 2025
Białystok - Tykocin, NE Poland

PROGRAMME



Tuesday, May 27, 2025 – Faculty of Biology, University of Białystok, Ciołkowskiego 1J Street, Prof. Alina Myrcha Auditorium (No. 2003)

- 9.00-12.30 Registration of the Conference Participants
12.30-15.00 Opening Ceremony with Plenary session, Chairman: **Elżbieta Wilk-Woźniak**
Aleksandra Rozumko, Edmund Baran, Weronika Mierzejewska, Aleksandra Syguła, Monika Supronik, Marta Nartowicz *Not only lectures and laboratories: the research of the Włodzimierz Chętnicki Biological Science Club*
Iwona Jasser, Agnieszka Pasztaleniec *The impact of *Prymnesium parvum* on the river ecosystem - insights from the ecological catastrophe on the Odra River in 2022 and beyond*
Judita Koreivienė *Advantages and bottlenecks in applied phycology: an example of environmental algal biomass*
15.30-16.00 Lunch at the “Pod Herbem” restaurant, Wiejska 49 Street
16.00-18.30 Sightseeing in Białystok
18.30-19.15 Transfer to Tykocin
20.00-23.00 Dinner at the Castle

Wednesday, May 28, 2025 – Castle in Tykocin, Poświętna 1 Street

- 7.30-9.00 Breakfast in the accommodation areas
9.30-11.30 Sightseeing in Tykocin
11.30-12.00 Coffee Break at the Castle
12.00-12.30 Joao Matos da Costa *Narew National Park, lecture*
12.30-14.30 **Session 1. Taxonomy and diversity of eukaryotic algae and cyanobacteria**, Chairman: **Elliot Shubert**
12.30-13.15 Plenary lecture: **Jan Kaštovský, Jan Pokorný, Jeffrey R. Johansen** *Hot stories: diversity, ecology and biogeography of thermal cyanobacteria*
13.15-13.35 **Julia Sulkowska, Joanna Żelazna-Wieczorek** *Diatom diversity in spring ecosystems of the Western Bieszczady Mountains*
13.35-13.55 **Sulastri Arsal, Małgorzata Bąk, Romain Gastineau** *Floristic insights into marine diatoms of the Gulf of Tomini, Indonesia*
13.55-14.15 **Konrad Wołowski, Joanna Lenarczyk, Jolanta Piątek, Bartosz Kulig, Grzegorz Boczkal, Paweł Pałka, Jarosław Koza, Andrzej**



Chlebicki, Wojciech Spisak *Autochthonous algae in post-mining waters*

14.30-15.30 Lunch at the Castle

15.30-17.15 **Session 2. Applied phycology**, Chairman: **Barbara Pawlik-Skowrońska**

15.30-16.15 Plenary lecture: **Triantafyllos Kaloudis, Sevasti-Kiriaki Zervou, Sofia Iliakopoulou, Angelika-Ioanna Gialleli, Anastasia Hiskia** *Unveiling the chemical diversity of cyanobacteria through mass spectrometry-based metabolomics*

16.15-16.35 Marta Cegłowska, Hanna Mazur-Marzec *Baltic cyanobacterium Pseudanabaena galeata a source of anticancer agents*

16.35-16.55 Robert Konkel, Larbi Belyagoubi, Nabila Belyagoubi-Benahmmou, Mokhtari Soulimane, Nassima Amel, Marta Cegłowska, Waldemar Surosz, Anna Toruńska-Sitarz, Ilona Złoch, Hanna Mazur-Marzec *Antioxidant, antimicrobial and cytotoxic activities of the freshwater alga Spirogyra sp. from Algerian Desert*

16.55-17.15 Arūnas Stirkė, Kamilė Jonytaitė, Raimonda Celiešiūtė-Germanienė, Voitech Stankevič *Recent advancements in emerging physical processing technologies for sustainable algae biomass utilisation*

17.30-19.00 **Poster session**

20.00 Bonfire at the Castle

Thursday, May 29, 2025 – Castle in Tykocin

7.30- 9.00 Breakfast in the accommodation areas

9.00-10.50 **Session 3. Ecology of eukaryotic algae and cyanobacteria**, Chairman: **Jan Kaštovský**

9.00- 9.20 Dariusz Dziga *No stress, no life: cyanobacterial response to stress factors; the case of Raphidiopsis raciborskii*

9.20- 9.40 Martyna Budziak, Doris Ilicic, Hans-Peter Grossart, Wojciech Krztoń, Edward Walusiak, Janusz Fyda, Elżbieta Wilk-Woźniak *Phytoplankton under pressure – the role of environmental drivers in parasitism*

9.40-10.00 Beata Messyasz, Natalia Kuczyńska-Kippen *Periphyton patterns in ponds: forest vs. field catchment type influence*

10.00-10.20 Jaroslav Kubin *Ecology of free-living freshwater heterotrophic euglenoids: Are there any (aut-)ecological phenomena among heterotrophic euglenoids?*

10.20-10.40 Joanna Mankiewicz-Boczek, Arnoldo Font Nájera, Magdalena Kluska, Francisco Josué López Hun, Milena Skóra, Michał Seweryn, Rebecca Gorney, Jerome Wai Kit Kok, Shu Harn Te, Mikołaj Kokociński, Jennifer Graham, Karina Yew-Hoong Gin,



Dominik Strapagiel *Toxigenic blooms composed of Microcystis, Aphanizomenon or Planktothrix and related bacteria – potential ecophysiological interaction?*

- 10.40-10.50 Agata Błaszczyk, Maja Majcher, Anita Lewandowska *Airborne cyanotoxins - preliminary studies on inland transport of aerosolized toxins*
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee Break at the Castle
- 11.30-12.30 **Session 4. Varia**, Chairman: **Konrad Wołowski**
- 11.30-11.50 Daniel Parsons, Elliot Shubert *Exploring genome evolution of the green alga, Desmodesmus*
- 11.50-12.10 Jeffrey R. Johansen, Brian M. Jusko, Nicole Pietrasia, Prashant Singh *Revision and expansion of the genus Spirirestis (Tolyphothricaceae, Cyanobacteria)*
- 12.10-12.20 Maciej Karpowicz, Magdalena Grabowska, Andrew Dzialowski *Transfer efficiency of carbon, nutrients, and polyunsaturated fatty acids in planktonic food webs under different environmental conditions*
- 12.20-12.30 Jan Żeruń, Andrzej Bajguz *Around brassinosteroids in microalgae*
- 12.30-13.00 **Session 5. Harmful blooms**, Chairman: **Waldemar Surosz**
- 12.30-12.40 Arnoldo Font Najera, Magdalena Kluska, Francisco Josué López Hun, Milena Skóra, Michał Seweryn, Rebecca Gorney, Jerome Wai Kit Kok, Shu Harn Te, Jennifer Graham, Karina Yew-Hoong Gin, Ahn Chi-Yong, Dominik Strapagiel, Joanna Mankiewicz-Boczek *Cyanobacterial blooms as potential hotspots for antibiotic resistance genes – an intercontinental comparative study*
- 12.40-12.50 Agnieszka Pasztaleniec, Iwona Jasser *The sensitivity of haptophytes and cyanobacteria to the application of hydrogen peroxide in riverine experiment conditions*
- 12.50-13.00 Tümer Orhun Aykut, Robin Michael Crucitti-Thoo, Agnieszka Rudak, Iwona Jasser *Year-on-year observations of invasive cyanobacterial dynamics and water quality assessments based on the environmental parameters in post-glacial temperate lakes in Northeastern Poland*
- 13.30-14.30 Performance of amateur theater at the market square in Tykocin
- 14.30-15.30 Lunch at the Castle
- 15.30-16.30 **Session 6. The practical aspect of phycology**, Chairman: **Judita Koreivienė**
- 15.30-15.50 Iwona Bogusz, Marek Bogusz, Beata Borowska, Łukasz Szleszkowski, Joanna Żelazna-Wieczorek *A critical assessment of the diatom test of rib bone marrow as a supporting procedure in the case of drowning*



- 15.50-16.10 Ewa A. Dembowska *River phytoplankton and its importance in environmental assessment*
- 16.10-16.30 Elżbieta Żebek *Legal protection of inland surface waters. A case study of an ecological disaster in the Oder River*
- 16.30-17.00 Coffee Break at the Castle
- 17.00-18.30 **Poster session**
- 18.30-19.00 Meeting of the Polish Phycological Society
- 20.00 Conference banquet at the Castle

Friday, May 30, 2025

- 7.30-8.30 Breakfast in the accommodation areas
- 8.30 Transport to the railway station in Białystok

Posters:

1. Małgorzata Bać *The planned Lower Odra Valley National Park – what do diatoms "say" about it?*
2. Marta Cegłowska, Judita Koreivienė, Hanna Mazur-Marzec *Biological activity of cyanobacterial biomass collected during blooms in Lithuanian inland waters*
3. Jan Cichoński, Karolina Węglarz, Jakub Guła, Daniel Broda, Grzegorz Chrzanowski
The effect of salicylate treatment and light duration on the growth and biosynthesis of valuable metabolites within green microalga Chlorella sorokiniana
4. Wioleta Ciempiel, Izabela Krzemieńska *Bioremediation potential of extracellular polymers produced by unicellular microalgae in mixotrophic growth conditions*
5. Joanna Czerwik-Marcinkowska, Anna Maria Ociepa, Krzysztof Piśka, Adam Stebel, Anna Wojciechowska *Algae and cyanobacteria adapting to the cave habitats – green puzzles in the environmental jigsaw in the Mroźna Cave (Tatra Mountains, Poland)*
6. Danuta Drzymulska, Magdalena Fiłoc, Mirosława Kupryjanowicz *Changes in the trophic state of Lake Suchar II in Wigry National Park over the past 12 000 years – a subfossil algae proxy*
7. Alicja Faszczewska, Alicja Piotrowska-Niczyporuk, Joanna Karpińska *The effect of high-density polyethylene on oxidative stress and antioxidant response in two green algae Chlorella vulgaris and Scenedesmus quadricauda*



8. Akmaral Issayeva, Nargis K. Atabayeva, Dilshat T. Mirtalipov, Beata Messyasz
Algal diversity in urban water bodies of Uzbekistan as an ecological status indicator
9. Izabela Jesionowska *Can diatoms adapt to human-altered conditions?*
A model of an urban park pond
10. Kamilė Karaliūtė, Jūratė Karosienė *Influence of temperature and pH on the stability of food-grade phycocyanin extracted from wild cyanobacteria Aphanizomenon flos-aquae biomass*
11. Jūratė Karosienė, Simona Spudulytė, Kamilė Karaliūtė *Accumulation potential of phycobiliproteins in bloom-forming cyanobacteria: effects of temperature and light intensity*
12. Jūratė Kasperovičienė, Vilija Kalibartaitė *Mechanical/physical disruption of Microcystis cell wall for biocomponent extraction*
13. Anna Kozak *Diversity changes in the phytoplankton composition in the final part of the Cybina River*
14. Justyna Kowalczyk, Ildiko Domonkos, Chuan Ku, Przemysław Malec *Initial characterization of acetolysis-resistant polymers from algae cell walls with scanning and transmission electron microscopy*
15. Izabela Krzemińska, Marlena Szymańska, Magdalena Kusiak, Wioleta Ciempiel, Magdalena Czemierska, Anna Jarosz-Wilkołazka *Evaluation of the influence of bacterial exopolymers on microalgal cells*
16. Tomasz Lenard, Jukka Horppila, Leena Nurminen, Salla Rajala, Kari Sainio, Satu Estlander *Effects of water colour on phytoplankton diversity and biomass in boreal lakes*
17. Wanessa Lewandowicz, Adam Więcko, Magdalena Grabowska *Seasonal changes of diatom communities in urban springs*
18. Zuzanna Lewandowska, Marta Cegłowska *Anticancer potential of two Baltic filamentous cyanobacteria – Limnraphis sp. CCNP1424 and Spirulina subsalsa CCNP1310*
19. Beata Messyasz, Bogusława Łęska, Radosław Pankiewicz *Ecological shifts in algal communities following Cladophora glomerata biomass removal in an eutrophic freshwater lake*
20. Karolina Mierzyńska, Piotr Zieliński *Submerged macrophytes as microplastics trap in lowland river*



21. Gediminas Petrėnas, Danguolė Montvydienė, Živilė Jurgelėnė, Sergej Šemčuk, Jūratė Karosienė *Effect of graphene oxide (GO) on diatom Nitzschia palea*
22. Gabrielė Šiurkutė, Izabelė Šuikaitė *Impact of salinization on cyanobacterium Sphaerospermopsis aphanizomenoides invasion in freshwater ecosystems*
23. Wojciech Pęczuła, Agnieszka Szczurowska *Phytoplankton communities in six reservoirs of coal mining-subsidence genesis (Polesie Zachodnie, eastern Poland) at different stages of succession*
24. Małgorzata Poniewozik, Jaroslav Kubín, Josef Juráň *Taxonomic significance of the Trachelomonas hispida lorica – study under laboratory and environmental conditions*
25. Katarzyna Puczko, Elżbieta Jekatierynczuk-Rudczyk *Diatoms as bioindicators of water quality in the hyporheic zone of urban springs*
26. Dorota Richter, Mirosława Pietryka¹, Grabowski Tomasz, Pulikowski Krzysztof *The importance of microalgae in wastewater treatment processes using natural substrate*
27. Julia Sulkowska, Joanna Żelazna-Wieczorek *The key role of springs in diatom biodiversity conservation*
28. Assel Tleukeyeva, Akmaral Issayeva *Cultivation of green microalgae on phosphorus-containing wastewater*
29. Marta Ziółek, Małgorzata Poniewozik, Franczak Łukasz, Kończak Magdalena *Summer phytoplankton of shallow freshwater lakes, West Spitsbergen*