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# An Overview of HEMI, and How to Join It

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# What is an Institute?

- ❖ An Institute exists across multiple divisions of the University, and is structured accordingly.
- ❖ An Institute may incorporate multiple Centers.
- ❖ Our version of this:
  - ❖ An Institute provides an intellectual focus.
  - ❖ A Center provides a research focus.
  - ❖ A Department provides an academic focus.



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# What is an Institute II

- ❖ Institutes are organizational constructs that provide an intellectual focus and are designed to enhance
  - (a) collaboration among faculty
  - (b) availability of resources (facilities, staff, postdocs, interns, grants)
  - (c) the impact of available resources on the research and academic efforts of the faculty
  - (d) visibility and impact w.r.t. the outside world



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# Basic HEMI Principles

- ❖ The success of the faculty determines the success of the Institute and of the University.
- ❖ Tenure-track faculty are hired by the Departments, not the Institute.
- ❖ Research activity and quality is enhanced by synergy between the Departments and the Institute: the Institute should enhance faculty activity, productivity and impact.
- ❖ Participation in institutes should be driven by faculty self-interest.
- ❖ We seek to do the best science, and produce great people - success will follow.
- ❖ We view collaboration as the key to transformational science.
- ❖ We recognize that collaboration usually involves creative tension and the accommodation of multiple interests.
- ❖ We develop, study and communicate innovative collaborative approaches to doing basic science.

We do strategically-driven fundamental science.



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# Core Values for HEMI

- ❖ Be at the leading edge of the science of extreme events.
- ❖ Develop technologies that protect people, structures and the planet.
- ❖ Teach people how to think about extreme environments.
- ❖ Build collaborative partnerships to address complex and compelling problems.
- ❖ Enhance the research and academic reputation of Johns Hopkins University.
- ❖ Broaden opportunities for faculty and students.

*Anything we do should enhance at least one of these core values.*



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# HEMI Vision and Mission

## Vision

- ❖ HEMI develops the science and technology that protects people, structures and the planet.

## Mission

- ❖ Provide global intellectual leadership to advance the fundamental science associated with materials and structures under extreme conditions and demonstrating extreme performance.



# So what does extreme mean?

## ❖ **Extreme Conditions**

- ❖ Very high pressures
- ❖ Very high temperatures
- ❖ Cryogenic temperatures
- ❖ Intense radiation environments
- ❖ Very high strain rates
- ❖ High-power laser interactions with matter
- ❖ High energy densities
- ❖ Blast, impact, crash
- ❖ Hypervelocity impact ( $> 5 \text{ km/s}$ )
- ❖ Natural disasters, hurricanes, earthquakes
- ❖ Nuclear events

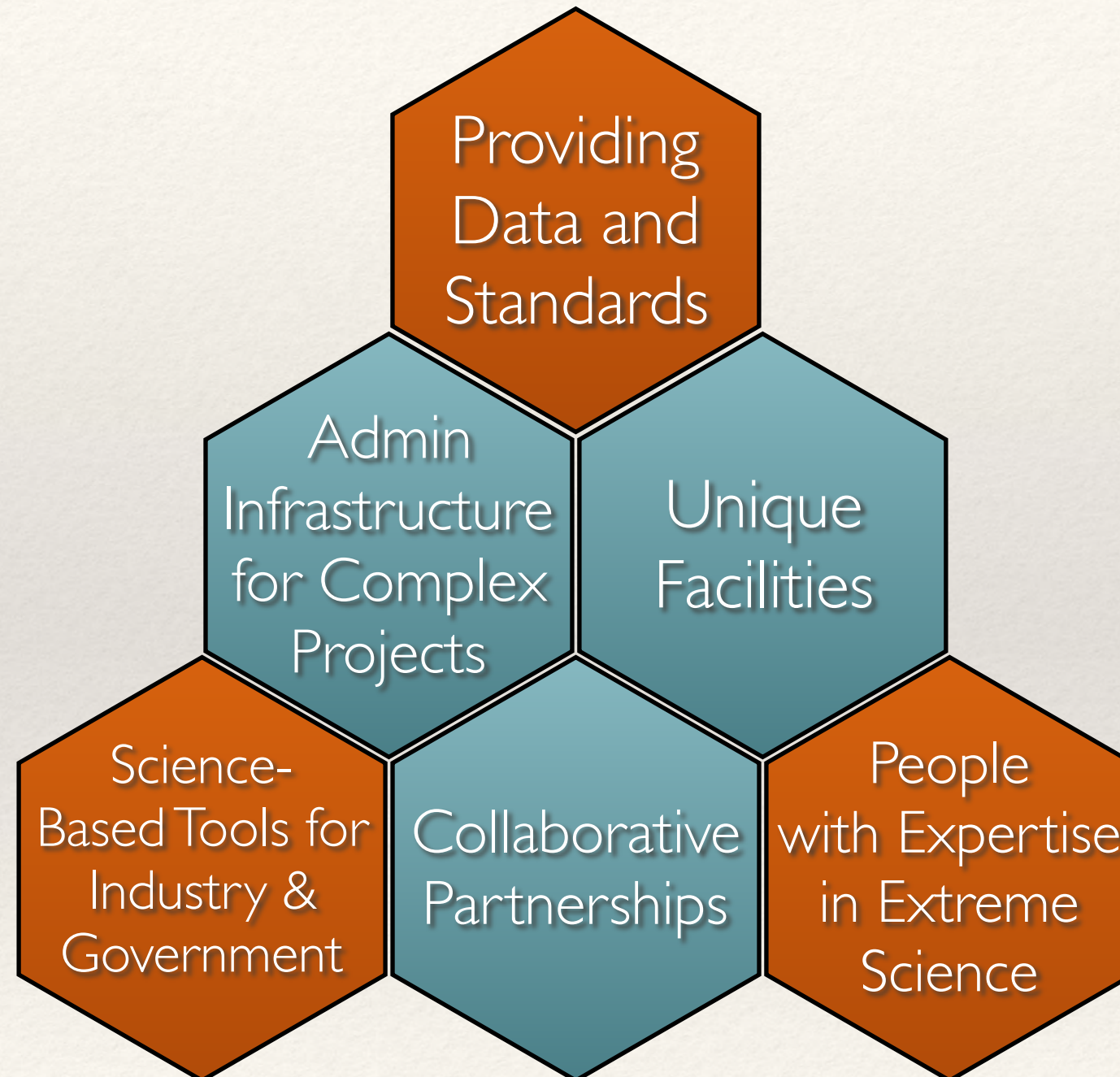
- ❖ Planetary impact and hazard mitigation
- ❖ Extreme electromagnetic fields

## ❖ **Extreme Performance**

- ❖ Revolutionary combinations of properties
- ❖ Extreme toughness with high strength
- ❖ Strongly nonlinear behaviors due to coupled fields
- ❖ Programmable matter, programmable structures
- ❖ Simultaneous mechanism control at multiple scales
- ❖ Mechanism-based design of materials



# Core Competencies and Outputs for HEMI





# How is HEMI organized?

- ❖ **Executive Committee:** makes all major decisions  
(currently Robbins, Weihs, Graham-Brady, Nakano, Ramesh; McGhee)
- ❖ **Appointments Committee:** approves all appointments  
(currently Graham-Brady (Chair), Robbins, Ghosh, Weihs, Ramesh)
- ❖ **Facilities Committee:** builds and manages all HEMI facilities  
(currently Weihs (Chair), Robbins, Hufnagel, El-Awady; McGhee, Shaeffer)
- ❖ **Computing subcommittee:** manages computational resources  
(currently Robbins (Chair), Weihs, El-Awady, Budavari)
- ❖ **Academic Committee:** oversight of academic activities  
(currently Hufnagel, Guest, Kang, Shields, Papanikolaou )
- ❖ **Internal Advisory Group:**  
Chairs of all participating departments. Meet as individuals occasionally.





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# HEMI People at Hopkins

- ❖ Faculty: 24 faculty members, 2 APL Professional Staff, visiting faculty at various times
- ❖ Staff: 3-4 FTE paid on HEMI budget, 4 FTE on sponsored budgets
  - ❖ Senior administrator, research service manager, budget analyst, staff engineer, two admin coordinators; media coordinator, database analyst
- ❖ Two adjunct research scientists, two visiting scholars, multiple government and national lab collaborators



# HEMI Faculty at JHU as of 2016

## Civil Engineering



Lori Graham-Brady  
Professor & Chair



Somnath Ghosh  
Callas Chair in CE



Jamie Guest  
Associate Professor



Michael Shields  
Assistant Professor



Stavros Gaitanaros  
Assistant Professor

## HEMI



Victor Nakano  
Executive Prog Director/  
Associate Res. Scientist

## Mechanical Engineering



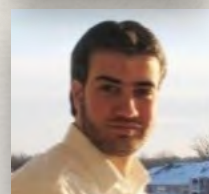
KT Ramesh  
Decker Prof. of  
Science & Eng



Kevin Hemker  
Decker Chair in ME



Vicky Nguyen  
Associate Professor



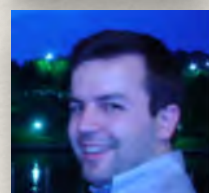
Jaafar El-Awady  
Assistant Professor



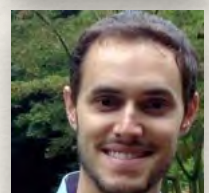
Sung Hoon Kang  
Assistant Professor



Nitin Daphalapurkar  
Asst Research Prof



Stefanos Papanikolaou  
Asst Research Prof



Ryan Hurley  
Asst Research Prof

## Materials Science & Eng



Tim Weihs  
Professor



Todd Hufnagel  
Professor



Michael Falk  
Professor



Evan Ma  
Professor



Margarita  
Herrera-Alonso  
Assistant Professor

## Applied Math & Statistics



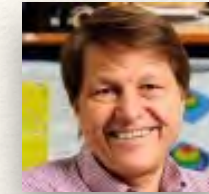
Tamas Budavari  
Assistant Professor

## Electrical and Computer Eng



Mark Foster  
Associate Professor

## Physics & Astronomy



Mark Robbins  
Professor

## Geography & Environ Eng



Erica Schoenberger  
Professor

## Chem & Biomolecular Eng

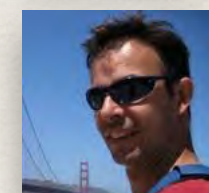


Joelle Frechette  
Associate Professor

## Applied Physics Laboratory



PK Swaminathan  
Research Professor



Olivier Barnouin  
Research Professor



# People Footprint of HEMI

- ❖ 51 faculty across the country
- ❖ 45 collaborating scientists
- ❖ 45 postdocs
- ❖ 74 graduate students
- ❖ 76 undergraduates
- ❖ 9 high school students
- ❖ 4 research scientists
- ❖ 9 visiting scholars
- ❖ 23 undergraduate Interns
  - ❖ Morgan State ESI: 17
  - ❖ MICA Extreme Arts: 2





# Joining HEMI



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# Who can join HEMI?

- ❖ Any Hopkins faculty member (tenure-track or otherwise).
- ❖ Any Hopkins postdoc, with faculty advisor's permission.
- ❖ Any Hopkins graduate student, with faculty advisor's permission.
- ❖ Any member of the APL Professional Staff.



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# How does a faculty member join HEMI?

- ❖ Just let us (start with KT) know you'd like to join HEMI.
- ❖ Provide a CV, and identify technical research interests, e.g., materials, mechanics, physics, chemistry...
- ❖ Provide this together with email and contact information to Bess Bieluczyk, [bess@jhu.edu](mailto:bess@jhu.edu)
- ❖ HEMI Executive Committee approves the addition of the faculty member.



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# Why should you join HEMI?

- ❖ HEMI faculty can take advantage of HEMI's infrastructure (both research and administrative) and staff resources.
- ❖ HEMI faculty can submit proposals through the institute, using institute resources and expertise for both traditional and complex collaborative research programs.
- ❖ Take advantage of seed grants, undergraduate internships, relationships with Morgan State and Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)
- ❖ Priority access to HEMI experimental, computing and data sharing facilities
- ❖ Take advantage of our rapidly developing strategies for scientific and technical collaboration across disciplines and organizations.
- ❖ Make long-term contacts with industry, national labs and funding agencies.
- ❖ Give your groups priority access to workshops, HEMI bootcamp, and short courses.



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# Expectations of HEMI faculty

- ❖ Participate in HEMI faculty meetings (held quarterly)
- ❖ Participate, as and when appropriate, in HEMI activities
- ❖ Serve on a HEMI committee on request
- ❖ Help bring in and / or maintain HEMI facilities and resources for general use
- ❖ If you're funded through HEMI, participate in a HEMI-sponsored conference or workshop



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# What resources do we have in HEMI?

- ❖ Administrative and technical staff
- ❖ Graduate fellowship and travel funds
- ❖ Seed grants
- ❖ Collaborative spaces in Malone Hall
- ❖ Document and Data Sharing Infrastructure (DDSI)
- ❖ Facilities and equipment



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# How do we allocate resources?

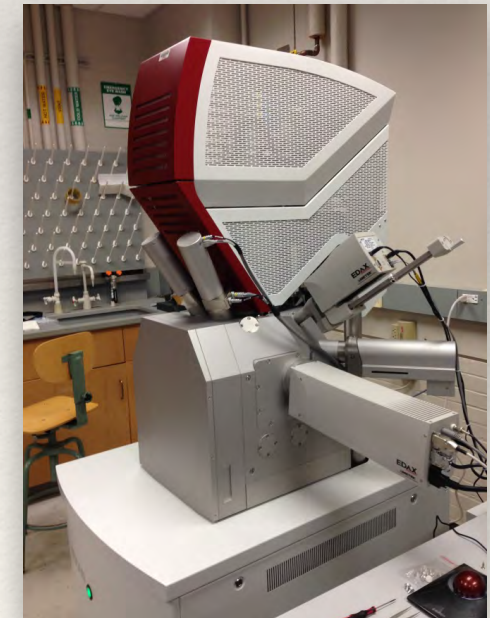
- ❖ Broad consensus building activities among all faculty defines major principles
- ❖ HEMI Executive Committee makes decisions based on these principles
- ❖ Inevitably, we will have to balance some competing interests
- ❖ The Department Chairs and the JHU leadership are consulted as needed



# Facilities associated with HEMI

Note that, as always, individual PIs may choose to share their own facilities. Ask!

- ❖ 3D Characterization Facility
- ❖ In situ nanomechanical testing
- ❖ Ultra-high-speed cameras
- ❖ Kolsky bars with high speed imaging
- ❖ Plate impact facility (300 m/s)
- ❖ High-performance computing
- ❖ Planetary Impact Laboratory at APL (1000 m/s)
- ❖ Additive manufacturing
- ❖ Instrumented drop tower
- ❖ Laser Shock Facility\*
- ❖ Hypervelocity Impact Facility (5-10 km/s)\*





# HEMI Space in Malone Hall

- ❖ Space for 34 graduate students mixed in large open area
- ❖ Space for 12 postdocs in same area
- ❖ Student meeting space contiguous to student offices
- ❖ Laboratory space in basement
- ❖ File and data servers, private network
- ❖ Faculty and visitor offices
- ❖ Administrative offices
- ❖ Boardroom , seminar rooms





# Some HEMI Activities



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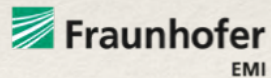
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# Some Current HEMI Technical Activities

- ❖ Protecting People: Materials in Extreme Dynamic Environments (ARL)
- ❖ Urban Protection: Collateral Building Damage Due to Airblast (DTRA)
- ❖ Dynamic failure of rocks and geomaterials (DTRA)
- ❖ Concussions: In-Vivo Measurement of Brain Biomechanics (NIH)
- ❖ Blast Protection: Developing Eye Simulants (Army)
- ❖ Planetary Protection: Fragmentation and Disruption of Asteroids (NASA)
- ❖ Plasticity mechanisms (Air Force)
- ❖ LIFT: American Lightweight Materials Manufacturing Innovation Institute



# Key Partnerships



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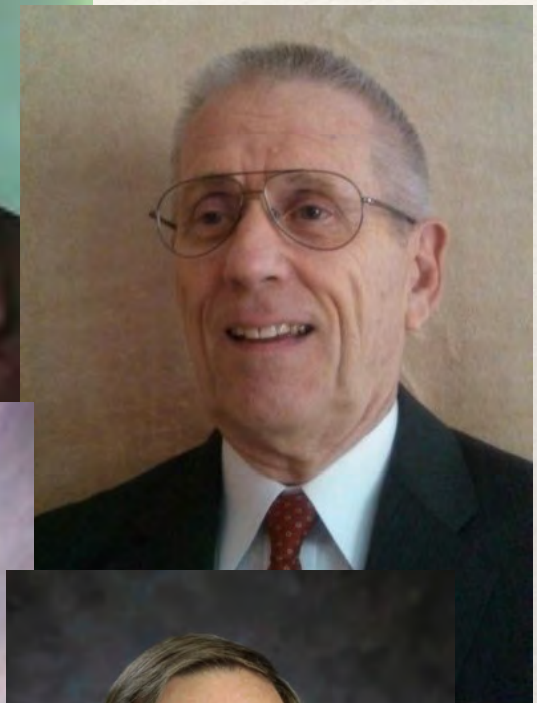
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- ❖ **Materials in Extreme Dynamic Environments Collaborative Research Alliance (MEDE CRA).** A \$90M basic research program with the Army Research Laboratory focused on developing lightweight protective material systems.
- ❖ **Lightweight Innovations for Tomorrow.** A \$148M Presidential initiative as part of the national network of manufacturing innovation. HEMI is a partner in blast and ballistics research.
- ❖ **Solar System Exploration Research Virtual Institute (SSERVI).** A NASA institute focused on fostering collaborations to conduct research on lunar and planetary sciences while advancing human exploration of the solar system.
- ❖ **Defence Science and Technology Laboratory** in the United Kingdom. Interactions on design and behavior of ceramics, metals and polymers.
- ❖ **Institute of Shock Physics**, Imperial College of London. Interactions on impact and blast injury biomechanics, laser shocks.
- ❖ **Ernst Mach Institut**, Freiburg, Germany. Interactions on impact, shock, resilience, failure of ceramics, glass and polymers.
- ❖ **Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.** Development of unique experimental and modeling capabilities.



# Academics: HEMI Short Courses

- ❖ HEMI Short Courses so far:
  - ❖ *Dynamic Behavior of Brittle Materials*: Prof. G. Subhash, U. Florida
  - ❖ *Fundamentals of Equations of State*: Dr. G. Kerley, retired from Sandia
  - ❖ *Dynamic behavior of soft materials*: Prof. Wayne Chen, Purdue
  - ❖ *Penetration dynamics*: Dr. Charlie Anderson, Southwest Research Institute
  - ❖ *Shock Physics and Applications*, Dr. Lalit Chhabildas, Sandia / Air Force Research Laboratory
- ❖ Coming up soon:
  - ❖ *Big Data in Materials* (Prof. Surya Kalidindi, Georgia Tech)
  - ❖ *Constitutive Models for Codes* (Prof. Rebecca Brannon, Utah)





# Extreme Science Internships

- ❖ Foundational program with Morgan State University in Baltimore
- ❖ Work at any of the participating MEDE institutions
- ❖ Total no. of MSU undergraduates who have been awarded internships: 17
- ❖ Three Extreme Science Scholars in 2015



Academic Year	Internal ESI	External ESI
2013-14	11	6
2014-15	12	5





# Extreme Arts Program

- ❖ Program with Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) in Baltimore
- ❖ Involve artists in discussions of extreme events and environments
- ❖ Engage artists in data visualization; interpretation, translation, and effective *communication* of data
- ❖ Bring the scientific community together through *creative* expression based on our work.
- ❖ First shows soon.

## Extreme Arts Interns, Summer 2015



Amanda Metcalf  
*Interdisciplinary Sculpture*



Samantha French  
*Information Visualization*

## Artist-in-Residence, Spring 2016



Jay Gould,  
*Professor of Photography*



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# Other HEMI Academic Activities

- ❖ HEMI Bootcamp for all “new” grad students (19 grad students, 3 postdocs attended in 2015)
- ❖ HEMI Proposals Workshops:
  - ❖ I. Funding agencies and proposal topics
  - ❖ II. Developing and writing scientific proposals
- ❖ HEMI Seminars (external speakers)
- ❖ HEMI Colloquia (JHU speakers)
- ❖ Undergraduate internships



# HEMI Academic Bootcamps, 2015

- ❖ Intro to Shared Facilities, including tours
- ❖ Research Practices I
  - ❖ Library searches, bibliographies and reference tools, LaTeX
- ❖ Research Practices II
  - ❖ Extreme Science Talk
  - ❖ Developing a Research Overview
  - ❖ How To Write a Scientific Paper
- ❖ Panel Discussion: Succeeding in Graduate School
- ❖ Research Tools I
  - ❖ Materials Characterization Tools
  - ❖ Experimental Methods in Mechanics
  - ❖ Center for Leadership Education
- ❖ Research Tools II
  - ❖ Data management and sharing
  - ❖ Computational Tools
  - ❖ High Performance Computing
  - ❖ Python



# Annual Mach Conferences in Annapolis

## ❖ 2014

- ❖ Total Attendees: 176
- ❖ Plenary speakers: 6
- ❖ Presentations: 98
- ❖ Posters: 17

## ❖ 2015

- ❖ Total Attendees: 225
- ❖ Plenary speakers: 5
- ❖ Presentations: 112
- ❖ Posters: 45
- ❖ 7 countries



## ❖ 2016 conference April 6-8.



Join us!

Questions? Talk to KT, Victor, or  
anyone on the Executive Committee.



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