

## *The SGBM Student Reunion*

### *General considerations:*

1. SGBM is multidisciplinary program with a broad range of research areas. **Expect nobody in the audience to have a clue about what you are going to talk!**
2. **Presentations** are expected to be **15 min** with an additional 5 min of discussion.
4. Every talk **beyond 17 min** will be **ended abruptly** by an automatic timer.
3. The student reunion is a great **opportunity to practice** your presentation and discussion skills.

### *How to prepare a successful presentation:*

1. Think about how you felt at last month's student reunion.
2. **Do not repeat** your laboratory **progress report**.
3. **Simplicity is fundamental** - or do you know what 2-(4-amidinophenyl)-1H-indole-6-carboxamide is?
4. **Limit** the number of power point slides (approximately **1 slide / minute**) and **avoid complicated diagrams** with tiny legends.
5. Ask yourself: **Why are you doing that research project? Why should someone care?**
6. A clear **introduction is crucial** if you wish your audience to follow the presentation.
7. Present **only** the **two or three** fundamental **experiments** of your project. Everything else is far beyond the scope of the student reunion.
8. **Discuss** your **results** and the **techniques** used. What are the **problems** and what are the **questions** still to be answered?
9. Virtually all techniques in modern biology are used in SGBM laboratories. If participants get interested in your presentation they may provide **valuable advice** for your project.
10. **Test** the length of your **presentation**.
11. **Be passionate about your science!**