

Event: SMBE Satellite Meeting on Ancient DNA: Beyond Allele Frequencies. Smurfit Institute of Genetics, Trinity College Dublin (TCD), Dublin, Ireland. 29th-31st July 2024

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Financial Summary

We were fortunate to receive €21,186.21 from SMBE, €1,230 from three sponsors (ELDA, Agilent and Failte Ireland), sponsorship in kind from our School for website hosting, lecture hall hire and organisational support (equivalent to a minimum of €1,200 for Trinity College internal lecture hall hire) and we raised €5,990 through registration fees (€130 post PhD, €100 PhD student, €10 online streaming). We predominantly used paypal for registration fees paid via paypal, the meeting absorbed the cost of paypal fees. Additionally there were four attendees who were registered as in person attendees, but due to unforeseen circumstances could only join us online.

For the in-person registration fee attendees received three nights accommodation in Trinity College student halls (single room within a shared flat @ €87 per night), refreshments and snacks throughout the meeting including breakfast pastries, lunch on 30th and 31st and two social events that included food and refreshments (catering costs €6,392.790). For some attendees who brought family we organised additional accommodation on campus and the attendee paid the extra cost.

Due to high demand for Travel Grants we altered our initial proposal and offered 23 Travel grants (€150 small EU, €350 EU, €350 small Non EU, €850 Non EU), 21 were accepted (9 x €150 small EU, 4 x €350 EU, 6 x €350 small Non EU, 2 x €850 Non EU). Awardees could use the grant to claim registration fees and travel expenses, we were able to help our TG awardees more than expected and the final amount awarded was €6,789.

The two plenary speakers who required travel and accommodation assistance applied directly to SMBE for reimbursement.

Due to the benefit in kind received from our School/Department and a cheaper catering than provisionally budgeted we underspent by ~€2,000. If agreeable to SMBE we propose that we use these fees to help pay publication costs for the review that the organisers, and willing

attendees, plan to write and submit to GBE/MBE in the next 12 months. If this is not agreeable we will transfer the remainder asap.

Breakdown of expenditure is below:

Satellite Meeting Expenditure			
	Raised in kind	IN	OUT
SMBE contribution		€21,186.21	
ELDA Sponsorship		€200.00	
Agilent Sponsorship		€400.00	
Failte Ireland Sponsorship		€630.00	
Smurfit Department - Lecture Hall and Website	€1,200.00		
Registration Fees		€5,990.00	
Additional Accommodation		€2,088.84	
Paypal Fees			€241.95
Travel Grants			€6,789.00
Prizes (Poster and Talk)			€400.00
Catering			€6,392.79
Accommodation			€13,776.00
Stationary including attendee notebooks			€755.00
Covid Precaution			€34.47
Misc Expenses			€43.10
Total		€30,495.05	€28,432.31