Hello Everyone,

We are excited to be hosting the Southeastern regional DCB-DVM Society for Integrative & Comparative Biology ([SICB](https://sicb.burkclients.com/)) conference in person on November 6th, 2021 at Zoo Atlanta in Atlanta, GA. We are currently working on finalizing hotel information as well as the social event after the day at the Zoo. We will be sharing a flier on social media to help recruit more participants. Currently we are planning on having both oral presentations and poster presentations. We are likely going to be limiting one 5 minute oral presentation per lab group and are happy to host as many poster presenters as possible. We have made an online conference website for more information - <https://www.schulzscience.com/rsicbregistration>.

To register for the conference please make your way to the conference webpage: <https://www.schulzscience.com/rsicbregistration>. You will receive a confirmation email at 5:00pm EST the day of registration. Currently the schedule is to begin with a plenary talk on the morning of November 6th and follow with student, faculty, and postdoc presentations. Lunch will be accompanied with a free walking tour of Zoo Atlanta. During the day we will have brief breakout sessions to allow attending faculty, post-doctoral scholars, research scientists, lab technicians, and students to learn about getting involved with zoo research as well as advice on moving towards research/conservation type jobs. The afternoon and conference will conclude with a poster session and recap of the meeting to prep for national SICB 2022!

There will be an optional social that participants can attend after the official conference concludes. We are finalizing sponsors but at this time we believe the conference will be free to attend for all participants, presenters, and curious minds. We are also working on finding deals and promotion codes for hotels in the area around Zoo Atlanta. Please reach out to your respective university SICB networks. We are looking forward to you joining us in Atlanta this November.

Please send [akschulz@gatech.edu](mailto:akschulz@gatech.edu) an email if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Thank you,

Conference Organizers

Andrew Schulz, David Hu, Joe Mendelson