



12th RDKit UGM Agenda v1.1

20-22 September 2023

Mainz, Germany

The UGM will be an in-person event with the presentations lived-streamed via zoom. If you have registered for the virtual version of the UGM, you will get an email a day or two before it starts with the zoom link.

Since the discord server worked well over the past two years, we've set one up this year as well: <https://discord.gg/adCjKPzXfS>

The Github repo for this year is here: https://github.com/rdkit/UGM_2023

The most recent version of this document, logistics information, and other practical details can be found in the [github repo](#).

About the “Ask the community” session

This is a new thing we're trying this year.

If you have a question about whether or not you can do something with the RDKit, or what the best way to do something is, this is the time to ask. People with questions will have a couple of minutes (and up to one slide) to ask their question to the community in attendance. The idea is that people with answers or ideas can then reach out to you during one of the breaks or via discord and provide an answer. We'll regularly check in on how things are going in terms of people having their questions answered. Maybe some of these questions will lead to new pieces of RDKit documentation, or blog posts, or something like that too, but the main thing is harness the expertise of all the people sitting in the room to get your questions answered.

We'll give priority to students, including PhD students, here (so, if you're a student and have questions about how to do stuff with the RDKit, please get ready to ask!), but if there aren't enough student questions, we'll open the floor.

Wednesday 20 September

Time (CEST)	
8:00 - 8:30	Check-in / registration
8:30 - 9:30	Greg Landrum Welcome and State of the RDKit
9:30 - 10:00	Susan Leung: Why is it so difficult to replace the old with the new? Learnings from dealing with legacy systems in AstraZeneca and how RDKit can help
10:00 - 10:30	Esben Bjerrum: Faster and more diverse de novo molecular optimization with double-loop reinforcement learning using augmented SMILES
10:30 - 11:30	Coffee and posters
11:30 - 12:00	Dmytro Radchenko: Fragment-based substructure search in Enamine REAL Space
12:00 - 12:30	Paolo Tosco: RDKit Office Hours
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch and posters
13:30 - 14:00	Lightning talks 1
14:00 - 14:30	Tim Vandermeersch: CTSmarts: Compile time SMARTS expressions in C++20
14:30 - 15:00	Jessica Braun: Understanding and quantifying molecular flexibility: Torsion Angular Bin Strings
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee and posters
15:30 - 16:00	Jessica Lanini: PREFER: A New Predictive Modeling Framework for Molecular Discovery
16:00 - 16:30	Aishvarya Tandon & Marcel Baltruschat: eXplainable FingerPrints (X-FP)
16:30 - 17:00	Ask the community
-??	Conference dinner

Thursday 21 September

Time (CEST)	
8:00 - 8:30	Check-in / registration
8:30 - 9:00	Lightning talks 2
9:00 - 9:30	What's new 2
9:30 - 10:00	Francois Berenger: 3D sensitive encoding of pharmacophore features
10:00 - 10:30	Maximilian Beckers: Leveraging historical small molecule data from the Novartis portfolio: From chemical series evolution to predictive modelling
10:30 - 11:30	Coffee and posters
11:30 - 12:00	Noel O'Boyle: SmiZip (2001) - Ancient Relic or Buried Treasure?
12:00 - 12:30	Hannah Baumann: Breaking free from ligand similarity restrictions in binding free energy calculations
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch and posters
13:30 - 14:00	Lightning talks 3
14:00 - 14:30	What's new 3
14:30 - 15:00	Lauren Reid: How to give the user what they want?: Challenges in Markush structure visualisation and exploitation"
15:00 - 15:30	Roger Sayle: t.b.d.
15:30 - 16:00	Wrap up
16:00 - 17:00	Coffee and posters

Lightning Talks

This is currently a partial list and subject to change.

Andrea Volkamer	TeachOpenCADD goes DL
Charles Tapley Hoyt	Improving reproducibility of cheminformatics workflows with `chembl-downloader`
Markus Orsi	Chiral Fingerprints for Virtual Screening
Patrick Penner	Descriptive Grammar Analysis of Molecular File Formats
Richard Gowers	OpenFE: A hands on tutorial for performing free energy calculations
Wouter Heyndrickx	Modelling small molecule anti-mycobacterium tuberculosis activity leveraging large public datasets for virtual screening
Paolo Tosco	A stub a day keeps the docstrings at bay
Torben Gutermuth	SmartChemist - Communication about chemical structures made easy
Rostislav Fedorov	Decomposition of COFs
David Kreutter	Disconnection-Aware Triple Transformer Loop with a Route-Penalty Score for Multistep Retrosynthesis
Rachael Pirie	Filling in the gaps: Extracting implied reactions with RDKit
Rachel Walker	2D Molecular Templates in RDKit
Greg Landrum	lwreg: chemical registration system for computational work
Tom Daff	RDKit on AWS Lambda
Jimmy Kromann	Streamlining Quantum Chemistry for Tautomers, Protomers & Conformers using RDKit
Grégori Gerebtzoff	Putting RDKit in the hands of the users in a corporate environment: leveraging the power of Datagrok
Michel Lim and Vinith Kowrithasan	Tools developed in the Czodrowski Lab

Friday 22 September

Time (CEST)	
9:00 - 9:30	Check-in / registration
9:30 - 16:00	Hackathon!

The hackathon is, as always, spontaneously organized and informal. Additional information will be sent via email to those who said that they planned to attend.