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#### **Message from the Workshop Chairs**

Welcome to the 11<sup>th</sup> IEEE International Workshop on High Performance Computational Biology (HiCOMB). The interdisciplinary field of computational biology and bioinformatics is at the verge of several exciting possibilities owing to a rapid introduction of many disruptive experimental technologies to procure data. The resulting preponderance of data and the inherent complexity of processing have collectively placed an enormous demand on the computational methods that seek to model and analyze biological data — a demand that can be met only through a comprehensive embrace of high performance computing. The goal of this workshop is to provide a forum for discussion of the latest research in the design and development of high performance computing solutions to data- and compute-intensive problems arising from molecular biology and related life sciences.

The technical program was organized by Program Chairs Mark Clement and Quinn Snell from Brigham Young University along with twenty four members of a distinguished program committee. This year we received a total of twenty two submissions. Each paper was thoroughly reviewed by at least three members of the program committee. Based on the reviews, eleven papers were selected for presentation at the workshop and inclusion in the workshop proceedings. These papers cover a wide range of topics including next-generation sequence analysis, phylogenetics, RNA structure prediction and systems biology. The program also includes an invited keynote presentation by Lin Fang, Director of the Bioinformatics Center at BGI.

We are grateful to the program committee members for submitting timely and thorough reviews. We wish to thank all the authors who submitted manuscripts to this workshop, without which this high quality technical program would not have been possible. We plan to continue this workshop in the forthcoming years and look forward to your continuing support in this endeavor.

Mark Clement, Quinn Snell, Srinivas Aluru, and David A. Bader



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