



Newsletter #2

October, 2025



Nottingham WG2, January 19-20, 2026

OPEN SUBMISSIONS FOR WG2 MEETING (in person event)

Venue: University of Nottingham, the School of Chemistry, UK

https://cost-snoopy.eu/news/first-snoopy-wg2-meeting/

Topics will include:

- · Production of bioactive peptides and peptide nanostructures through chemical synthesis, biotechnological methods, extraction, and other emerging approaches.
- Advances in purification strategies for peptides and their supramolecular assemblies.
- Development and application of advanced characterization techniques to study structure, dynamics, and function.
- Establishment of unified standards and best practices for reliable and reproducible characterization across the field.

Abstract Submission via https://forms.gle/WdnnyCqKjVKV2Hun8 All abstracts will be considered for a poster; a selection of exceptional abstracts will be chosen for a short oral presentation by the committee.

SNOOPY in your **Collaborative Work**

By doing this, you increase your visibility and SNOOPY could better support you!

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— UPCOMING — 01/05

Do you want to join the **Newsletter Working Group?** Join WG4!

MONTHLY ONLINE SNOOPY CAFE

https://unipd.zoom.us/j/82720604975#success

The SNOOPY Café is a new informal initiative of our Action, launched in September 2025. Held online every second Friday of the month, it provides a **relaxed space for members to stay in touch** between official meetings, seek collaborations, share announcements, and keep the community dynamic and connected.





The first two editions, in September and October, have already gathered over 40 participants each, confirming the enthusiasm across the network. These sessions served as a platform for members to introduce themselves and discuss collaboration ideas.

In October, we incorporated an engaging session led by Christian Gruber, who introduced funding opportunities for Grant Period 2, sparking great interest.

The **next SNOOPY Café will exceptionally take place on Wednesday, 12 November 2025**, instead of the usual Friday. This session will focus on the **upcoming WG2 meeting in Nottingham**, with updates from the organizers and opportunities for participants to provide feedback and input.

Everyone is warmly invited to join, share news, and enjoy a friendly moment of exchange within the SNOOPY community!

JOIN VIA ZOOM!

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FORTHCOMING PEPTIDE-RELATED CONFERENCES

Chemistry and Biology of Peptides Conference (GRC - Gordon Research Conference) Ventura, California (US), February 1 - 6, 2026.

The 17th German Peptide Symposium

Essen (Germany), March 4-6, 2026.

Themed symposia on Peptides at the TERMIS 2026 Termis 2026 | Termis-EU 2026

Palma de Mallorca (Spain), April 21-24, 2026.

The 19th Naples Workshop on Bioactive Peptides

Napoli (Italy), June 25-27, 2026.

The 16th of the Protein & Peptide Conference

Helsinki (Finland) July 22-24, 2026.

The 38th European Peptide Symposium (EPS2026)

Vienna (Austria), September 6-11, 2026.

More at: https://cost-snoopy.eu/category/events/

SECOND GRANT PERIOD CALLS OPENING SOON

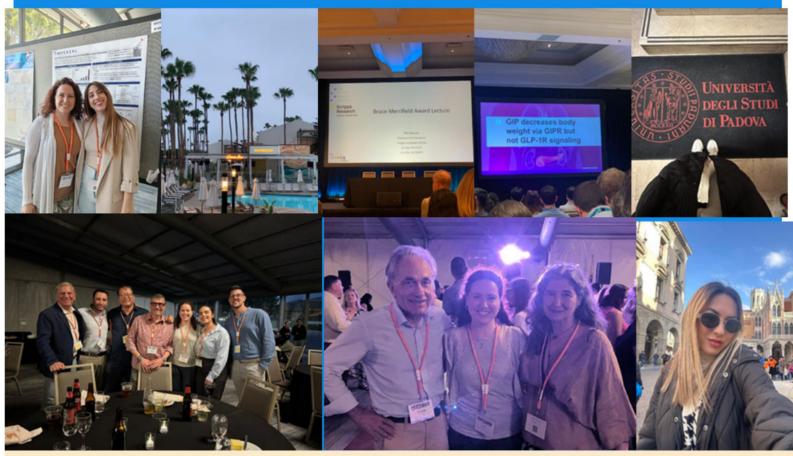
GRANTS

SHORT-TERM SCIENTIFIC MISSIONS GRANT

The first Grant Period (GPI) has ended and we assigned a terrific number of grants. The next calls for Short Term Scientific Missions (STSMs) will open in 2026. STSMS are exchange visits aiming to support individual mobility, strengthen existing networks and foster collaboration between COST Action Participants. STSMs should specifically contribute to the scientific objectives of the COST Action, whilst at the same time allowing the grantees to learn new techniques, gain access to specific data, instruments and/or methods not available in their own institutions/organizations.

SNOOPY selection policy promotes gender balance, geographical inclusiveness, and the participation of new members and Young Researchers and Innovators (under the age of 40). All SNOOPY members are encouraged to apply for STSMs to gain new valuable knowledge, skills, and connections. **STAY TUNED!**

A SELECTION OF PICTURES FROM OUR GPI GRANT AWARDEES



Remember to acknowledge SNOOPY COST Action in your collaborative papers like this:

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JUNE 15-17, 2025



THIRD MC AND FIRST WG1 MEETING,
MOISE PALACE, CRES, CROATIA (HYBRID)



From 15 –17 June 2025, the SNOOPY COST Action held its 3rd Management Committee and Working Group 1 (WG1) meeting on the beautiful island of Cres, Croatia.

We were thrilled to welcome 72 participants onsite and online, reflecting the strong engagement and reach of this growing community. SNOOPY brings together an interdisciplinary network of experts and young researchers in chemistry, biology, biochemistry, materials science, nanotechnology, medicine, and physics.

- The WG I meeting showcased the importance of computational methods for the assessment of peptides and peptide nanostructures, including the development of in silico and machine learning approaches to assist in the prediction and design of bioactive peptides and their assemblies.
- A heartfelt thank you to all the speakers for their high-level talks and outstanding presentation of results. Your contributions inspired deep discussions and laid the groundwork for future breakthroughs.

 Gratitude also goes to our local hosts and every participant who helped make this meeting a collaborative success!

JUNE 19-20, 2025



Dr. Yiannis Sarigiannis represented COST Action 23111 at the joint COST "Science for Policy" and "International Scientific Networking" workshops held in Brussels on 19-20 June 2025. The two-day event gathered researchers and project leaders from across Europe and beyond to exchange experiences on strengthening science-informed policy and fostering international collaboration. Through interactive sessions, policy role-plays, and discussions with experts from the European Commission and COST Association, participants explored practical approaches to stakeholder engagement, science diplomacy, and global networking. Dr. Sarigiannis returns with valuable insights and new connections that will further support the Action's communication, dissemination, and international outreach activities within the SNOOPY community.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

COST WEBINAR FOR KOREA 2025

On September 29th, COST organised a webinar for the Korean research community interested in collaborating with the European partners via COST Actions. We pitched our Action to the Korean partners!



OCTOBER 7-8, 2025



On 7-8 October 2025, our Action Chair Daniela Kalafatovic presented the SNOOPY COST ACTION at the first-ever COST Connect workshop in collaboration with the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) took place in Ispra, Italy. This incredible visit to the JRC Ispra site matched COST Actions and **JRC** researchers working on cancer research, health technologies, biotechnology, disease prevention, and mental health. An intensive day of networking, behind-the-scenes visits to JRC labs, exploring synergies, and discussing common challenges. More Info....