

# Yeast ORFan project

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Investigating gene function in yeast.  
<http://www.yeastorfanproject.com/>

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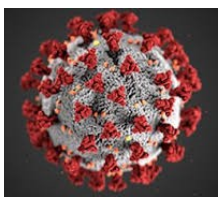
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## 2021 Workshop

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The postponed 2020 workshop will be held in June of 2021 at North Central College in Naperville, IL. Exact dates TBD.

The application is posted on the project website at:

<http://www.yeastorfanproject.com/summer-workshops/>

Those who applied for the 2020 workshop are automatically included for 2021. (I will check in mid-winter to confirm attendance). There are still a few spots left. All travel, meal and housing expenses for the workshop are covered by the grant. If you have not yet attended a workshop, consider attending in June 2021. Also, please let colleagues who may be interested know about the workshop.

## Pre- and post-test links



If you are using network material in your fall classes, please administer the pre- and post-test. The assessment includes the institution name so that you can receive your own course data. The pre- and post-links are posted to the project web page at

<http://www.yeastorfanproject.com/assessment/>

Be sure to use these links for your course assessment, and please be sure to follow up with the post course assessment. The compiled results of assessment are available on the assessment page of the project website.

Reminder-the Juniata College approved IRB for network assessment is available on the shared google drive: YeastORFan Project > YeastORFan Faculty Resources > Assessment  
For questions about assessment, contact Tammy Tobin: [tobinjan@susqu.edu](mailto:tobinjan@susqu.edu)

## CoVID-19 Impact Survey

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeggWAP0wYZPDPdUKzfAe7NjX762xUM8k\\_UfcLcP2XsrZ0DVQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeggWAP0wYZPDPdUKzfAe7NjX762xUM8k_UfcLcP2XsrZ0DVQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1)

This brief survey will help us determine the impact that CoVID-19 has had on the implementation and effectiveness of our network activities and modules, and to capture some of your best practices. The survey should only take most of you 2-5 minutes to complete, and it will help us better understand how the Yeast ORFan Gene Project can more effectively serve faculty as they move into a year that is likely to involve a variety of online and face-to-face strategies. We will disseminate what we learn about both the successes and challenges of ORFan implementation last semester via our webpage.

## ORFan Networking Activities

-**For your students!** A [video walk through](#) of each of the informatics modules are being made by Juniata College student Abby Molnar. We are hoping that these will help your students who are working through the modules remotely and/or outside of class time. The videos will be posted with each module as they are completed. <http://www.yeastorfanproject.com/lab-modules/>

-I have been remiss in keeping the adopted ORFans/GUFs table up to date (<http://www.yeastorfanproject.com/orfans/adopted-orfans/>) The purpose of this table is to facilitate collaborations. If your name is missing, or there is an error or update, please email the correct information to Jill at [keeney@juniata.edu](mailto:keeney@juniata.edu).

-Mary Miller, Jill Keeney and Pam Hansen, with Orna Cohen-Fix, organized a GSA sponsored BREW (Bridging Research and Education Workshop) workshop, to be held Monday July 13th 2020 from 1-3 PM eastern time. Register at <https://genetics-gsa.org/tagc-2020/workshops-2/>

-Jill Keeney presented a poster about the ORFan project at the online TAGC conference in April.

-Tammy Tobin is presenting a poster with the latest assessment data at the online ASM-microbe conference through July 2020.

## The Yeast ORFan Project: Finding a Place for ORFans to GO

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