





### The GeneLab Strategic Plan sets four goals for the GeneLab project:

- Develop an integrated repository and bioinformatics data system for analysis and modeling
- Enable the discovery and validation of molecular networks that are influenced by space conditions through ground-based and flight research using next-generation omics technologies
- Engage the broadest possible community of researchers, industry, and the general public to foster innovation
- Strengthen international partnerships by leveraging existing capabilities and data sharing

# **GeneLab Data Repository On-Line Now**





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## Comparative Transcriptomic Analysis of Adult Medaka Tissues Sampled after Adaptation to a Space Environment

Organisms	Factors	Assay Types	Release Date	Description
Oryzias latipes	Spaceflight	transcription profiling	15-Oct-2015	To understand how humans adapt to space environments, many experiments can be conducted on astronauts while they work aboard the Space Shuttle or the International Space Station (ISS). We also need animal experiments that can apply to human



#### Bacillus subtilis strains at low-pressure: 5 kPa versus 101 kPa growth



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Bacillus subtilis	strain pressure	transcription profiling	14-Mar-2014	Comparing the transcriptional responses of Bacillus subtilis strains WN624 and WN1106 at 5 kPa and 101 kPa. WN1106 is a 5 kPa-evolved strain with increased fitness compared to ancestor-WN624 strain at 5 kPa. This experiment probed the diffe

# **GeneLab Project Updates**



- The GeneLab Data System (genelab.nasa.gov) now houses 80 datasets which are meticulously curated and fully accessible to the public: 47 of these studies are from Spaceflight experiments, and 33 from relevant ground experiments.
- GeneLab is currently averaging more than 1000 file downloads per month, with a data volume of roughly 3 terabytes per month, available worldwide.
- Newsletter updates are currently sent to 4,479 subscribers.
- GeneLab has collaborated with the following recent missions (including CASIS) to obtain either tissue samples or data for subsequent omics analyses: Rodent Research-1, Rodent Research-3, Micro-9, Micro-10, Microbial Tracking-1c, BRIC-19, BRIC-20, and the BRIC-23 Process Verification Test.
- GeneLab released an Innovation Awards Research Announcement (NRA NNH16ZTT001N-GL) in March 2016 which garnered 34 responses.



# **Concept of Operations**





Material sent back to Earth for processing in either investigators' labs or in GeneLab.

#### 2. Implementation

1. Launch

Experiment is

and launched according to requirements.

defined, prepared

Experimental protocol performed in space and tissues harvested.

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#### 4. Sample Processing & Analysis

Extracted DNA, RNA, protein and/or metabolites sent to validated omics center to generate sequence, gene, protein expression or metabolite data.

Iterative research solicitations for data analysis using GeneLab datasets enable new hypotheses and next generation flight research.

#### 9. Next Generation Research

#### 8. Modeling and Validation

Investigator wet lab validation and computational modeling.

#### 5. Data Collection & Curation

Data returned to investigator/GeneLab for analysis and curation.

#### 6. Data Submission

Data uploaded into GeneLab database for public access.

#### 7. Data Sharing

Data shared with larger scientific community. Results feedback to GeneLab and other databases accelerating scientific discovery by leveraging a larger community.

# How to engage with GeneLab



There are two types of collaborative missions:

#### **Data Sharing Missions**

In Data Sharing missions GeneLab provides a platform for investigator data, enabling PIs to easily meet the public posting requirement of the NRA. Prior to launch, GeneLab works with the PI to understand the data volume anticipated and the nature of the data to be shared. Post-flight GeneLab works closely with the PI team to facilitate the data and metadata submission.

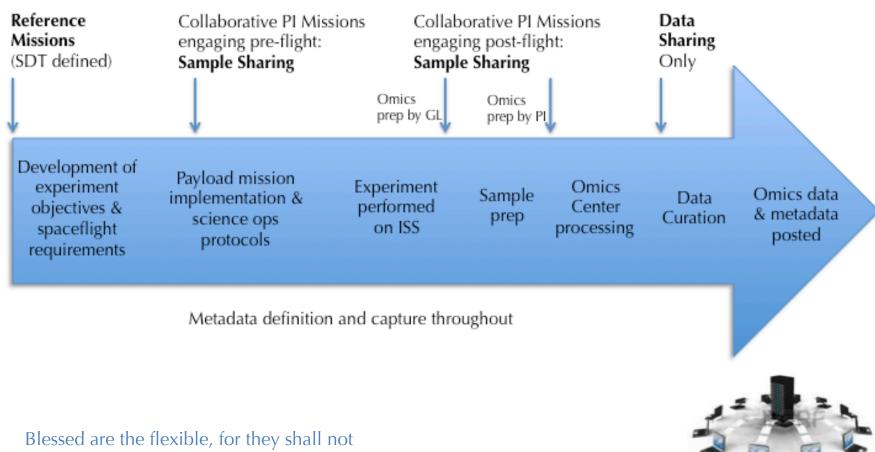
#### **Sample Sharing Missions**

The goal of the Sample Sharing missions is to make the greatest use of all cells/tissues/samples that have experienced microgravity conditions. Prior to launch GeneLab engages with the PI to determine the tissues/samples that can be donated to or augmented by GeneLab for post-flight processing and immediate posting to the data system. GeneLab takes receipt of these samples either immediately post-flight, or post-PI processing depending upon the nature of the samples. GeneLab works closely with the PI team post-flight to facilitate the data and metadata submission.

# When to engage with GeneLab



The GeneLab process toward data is the same for any collaboration. The only difference is the chronological point at which GeneLab engages with the PI/experiment.



Blessed are the flexible, for they shall not be bent out of shape. — Anonymous.

# **GeneLab Model Organism Interest**



