08:03:39 From Gombojav O. Ariunbold to All panelists : hi I would like to make sure that if I am muted.

08:04:45 From Gombojav O. Ariunbold to All panelists : thanks

08:14:52 From Chelsea.smith to All panelists : Chelsea Smith, The Jones Center at Ichauway. To learn more about current microplastics research and methods

08:15:03 From Kelly Leffler to All panelists : Kelly Leffler- undergraduate research assistant, University of Tennessee

08:15:07 From edillard to All panelists : Eva Dillard, Staff Attorney

08:15:18 From Bernie Kuhajda to All panelists : Bernie Kuhajda, TN Aquarium Conservation Institute, I love aquatic critters!

08:15:26 From Suki Janssen to All panelists : Suki Janssen, Athens-Clarke County Solid Waste Department, learn more about what waste gets into our waterways.

08:15:34 From edillard to All panelists : Black Warrior Riverkeeper

08:15:36 From Arial Shogren (she/her) : Hi! I’m Arial Shogren, a post-doc fellow at Michigan State and visiting scholar at the University of Alabama. I have received some NSF funding to do some river microplastics sampling & load quantification related to upcycling. Excited to learn about methods!

08:15:44 From Susannah Sheldon to All panelists : Susannah Sheldon, South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium. I am here because we've been interested in and funding microplastics research for about 8 years and I am interested in elevating this topic in our research portfolio.

08:15:44 From Justin Murdock to All panelists : Justin Murdock, Tennessee Tech University. We have recently begun investigating microplastic in Tennessee streams.

08:15:45 From Cynthia Tant to All panelists : Cindy Tant, Winthrop University (SC), I’ve been personally interested in reducing plastic use for a long time, but have recently started microplastic research in my own lab

08:15:58 From Steve Golladay to All panelists : Steve Golladay from the Jones Center at Ichauway. I am interested in learning about microplastics in freshwater environments and effects on biota.

08:16:07 From Gillian Palino to All panelists : I'm Gillian Palino, a grad student at the University of Tennessee. I've helped on microplastic projects in my undergrad and want to potentially incorporate these types of projects into my grad studies as well.

08:16:17 From Jason Love to All panelists : Jason Love, Associate Director, Highlands Biological Station, Western Carolina University. Have conducted research on MPs and looking for collaborators.

08:16:24 From Madison Monroe : Hi ! I am Madison Monroe. I am a graduate research student at the University of Georgia who is studying the spatial and temporal effects of microplastics in wastewater treatment plants.

08:16:28 From Katy to All panelists : Katy Smith with UGA Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant, I've done a lot of marine debris education, but hope to get more involved in the research side. In this workshop, I'm hoping to learn about the most current science and explore collaborations.

08:16:29 From Austin Scircle : Austin Scircle, PhD Candidate at University of Mississippi. I'm looking for a refresh on current best practices in microplastic analysis, particularly as I transition from freshwater to oyster tissue samples.

08:16:33 From Jesus Gomez-Velez to All panelists : Jesus Gomez-Velez (Vanderbilt University) — Hydrologist with interest in flow and transport processes in the environment

08:16:34 From Barry Sulkin to All panelists : need to standardize sampling and analysis to make results comparable between waters and allow for regulation

08:16:39 From John Steven Schwartz to All panelists : John Schwartz, professor at the University of Tennessee, Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering, and director of the Tennessee Water Resources Research Center. Working with UG student Kelly Leffler on a project of microplastic deposition, with sites in the Great Smoky Mountains.

08:16:56 From Gombojav O. Ariunbold to All panelists : my name is Ari from Mississippi State University my research career is based on polymer and plastics research. I am also a member of the OSA Congress and Cleo conferences and we are interested in organizing session on the issues of plastics etc. Thanks for organizing this workshop it is exciting.

08:17:11 From Corinne Sweeney : Hi I am Corinne Sweeney. I'm a masters student in Dr. Krista Capps' lab at UGA. I am always happy to learn more about microplastics

08:17:29 From Mandy Sartain : Mandy Sartain tuning in from the Mississippi Gulf Coast. I work for Mississippi State University at the Coastal Research and Extension Center as the MS Coastal Cleanup Program Coordinator. In addition to working with the community to spread awareness on marine debris, I am also a full time graduate student focusing on wildlife conservation. I helped lead a Gulf wide microplastic monitoring effort a couple years ago I would like to keep going as a community science program as a part of the coastal cleanup program! Hello everyone :)

08:17:39 From Connor Keisling to All panelists : Hello all, my name is Connor Keisling and I'm a graduate engineering researcher at UGA. I'm currently sampling anthropogenic litter in Athens-Clarke County and interested in new sampling methods.

08:17:41 From Barry Sulkin to All panelists : from Barry Sulkin, environment scientist for Tennessee Riverkeeper

08:17:41 From Sakinat Ahmad to All panelists : I am Sakinat Ahmad, a PhD student at the Department of Geological Sciences at the University of Alabama. My research focus is environmental Geochemisty, basically the impact of human activities on the pollution of coastal sediment. I want to learn about techniques to analyse microplastics in coastal ecosystem.

08:19:08 From Emily Martin to All panelists : Hi, I’m Emily Martin and I am a first-year MS in Ecology student at the University of Georgia. I am looking at incorporating microplastics into my research question and am here to learn as much as I can about them.

08:57:13 From beckinghamba@cofc.edu to All panelists : How does the specific surface area of your new “activated micro plastic” compare? Interesting new application

08:59:25 From Krista Capps (she/her) : <https://rivercenter.uga.edu/>

09:08:23 From Krista Capps (she/her) to Steve Golladay and all panelists : Hi Steve, we have your question and we will make sure to address them in the Q and A.

09:08:56 From Krista Capps (she/her) to Jason Love and all panelists : Hi Jason, we have your question and we will make sure to address them in the Q and A.

09:09:48 From Steve Golladay to All panelists : Thanks. Everything is working fabulously. I appreciate the effort pulling this together.

09:09:53 From Krista Capps (she/her) to Robert Bringolf and all panelists : Hi Robert, we have your question and we will make sure to address them in the Q and A.

09:29:01 From Suki Janssen to All panelists : just an fyi - <https://recyclingpartnership.org/press-release-u-s-plastics-pact-launches-to-ignite-change-toward-circular-economy-for-plastic/>

09:59:30 From Krista Capps (she/her) : <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1a_IGf63ZAy3abXFyWIJymemQUfIm7tSCUH8UnPo44_w/edit?usp=sharing>

10:00:18 From Krista Capps (she/her) : Link to provide your contact information for workshop participants: <https://forms.gle/4j5ThiQ6YEfQSZet7>

10:17:48 From Krista Capps (she/her) : Welcome back from break! Please feel free to visit the schedule here: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1a_IGf63ZAy3abXFyWIJymemQUfIm7tSCUH8UnPo44_w/edit?usp=sharing> and please feel free to provide your contact information to the other workshop participants here: <https://forms.gle/4j5ThiQ6YEfQSZet7>

10:38:24 From Jason Love to All panelists : Experience with laminar flow hoods? This is one recommendation in the literature. Just curious.

10:48:14 From beckinghamba@cofc.edu : Cowger et al. 2020 <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0003702820930292>

10:48:42 From Barry Sulkin to All panelists : what is a Twitter study?

10:53:05 From Anna George : The "Twitter study" is a collaboration that started among microplastics scientists on Twitter. You can find it here: <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0003702820930292>

11:04:56 From Barry Sulkin to All panelists : So with variables like Stormwater and timing of samples how can you really compare rivers?

11:19:59 From Rachel Bartels to All panelists : "Scott, John W" <zhewang@illinois.edu>

11:20:01 From Rae McNeish : John Scott: zhewang@illinois.edu

11:20:10 From Rae McNeish : <https://blog.istc.illinois.edu/category/microplastics/>

11:21:30 From Krista Capps (she/her) : Link to provide your contact information for workshop participants: <https://forms.gle/4j5ThiQ6YEfQSZet7>

11:31:52 From martin knoll to All panelists : Jeremy, did you find more of the higher density MP at depth - like PET? In a shallow, turbulent stream you might not expect this kind of stratification, but in a deeper river you might.

11:54:09 From Rae McNeish : <https://www.adventurescientists.org/blog/exxpedition-great-lakes-2016-the-largest-sampling-of-microplastics-in-history>