

# BIOLOGY OF CAM PLANTS

Desert Botanical Garden | Phoenix, AZ

**April 9 – 13, 2018**

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**This international meeting will convene a diverse group of scientists to share new discoveries on the evolution, ecology, functional biology, genomics and engineering of CAM species and traits.**

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## THE FOLLOWING MAJOR THEMES WILL BE COVERED:

- Evolution and ecological adaptation
- Modeling CAM across functional scales
- Functional genomics
- CAM in agroecosystems
- CAM biology and ecophysiological systems

**SYMPOSIUM FORMAT** The symposium will combine invited talks, student lightning talks, poster sessions, and dedicated discussions and breakout sessions with the aim of integrating basic research on CAM across a wide range of disciplines including functional genomics, biochemistry, ecophysiology, ecology and evolutionary studies. A field excursion to the McDowell Sonoran Preserve ([mcdowellsonoran.org](http://mcdowellsonoran.org)) will be included.

**VENUE** The meeting will take place at the beautiful Desert Botanical Garden ([dbg.org](http://dbg.org)) in Phoenix, AZ with accommodations at nearby hotels. Transportation to the symposium will be provided for selected hotels.

## Crassulacean Acid Metabolism (CAM)

photosynthesis is a principal carbon concentrating mechanism in terrestrial plants and is the primary means by which land plants achieve superior levels of resource-use efficiency. As a result, CAM plants are increasingly recognized as among the world's most important crops for food, forage, fiber, fodder and fuel and as critically important foundational species in tropical sub-humid, semi-arid, and arid ecosystems.



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