



## Analyzing Animal Vocal Sequences A NIMBioS Investigative Workshop

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The goal of this investigative workshop is to bridge the gap between mathematical and biological researchers with an interest in the quantitative analysis of animal vocal sequences. Recent developments in the mathematical analysis of complex animal communication have generated opportunities to understand the functional aspects of animal vocalizations, their role in social organization, and ultimately to explore the origins and evolution of human language. We aim to define the state of the art in this field, explore new horizons for collaboration, and provide new techniques through a synthesis of the mathematical and biological approaches to communication analysis.

Participation in the workshop is by application only. Individuals with a strong interest in the topic are encouraged to apply, and successful applicants will be notified within two weeks of the application deadline. If needed, financial support for travel, meals, and lodging is available for workshop attendees.

## **Application deadline: June 24, 2013**

For more information about the workshop and a link to the online application form, go to <a href="http://www.nimbios.org/workshops/WS\_vocal">http://www.nimbios.org/workshops/WS\_vocal</a>

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