

## **GEM 30**

### **Opening Remarks**

Virtual Summer Workshop on July 25 - 30, 2021

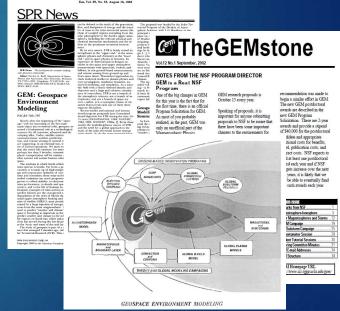


Geospace Environment Modeling

# Vania Jordanova GEM SC Chair (vania@lanl.gov) On behalf of GEM Steering Committee

#### Program highlights and important updates:

- Celebrating GEM 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary
  - collection of photos/videos, archives, new logo design
- Preparation for the Decadal Survey
- GEM commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI)
  - formed a DEI subcommittee & started new initiatives
- Adopted anti-harassment policy for GEM activities
  - please abide by the code of conduct
     https://gem.epss.ucla.edu/mediawiki/index.php/Main\_Page





#### What's New at GEM

Virtual Summer Workshop on July 25 - 30, 2021



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#### New GEM initiatives to build a stronger community:

- Inaugurated a Mentor/Mentee program
  - more than 30 mentors and 23 mentees
- Established the Sam Bingham Community Care Initiative
  - tutorial on team dynamics, mental health awareness, social hour
- Initiated GEMstone "In Memoriam" section
  - Slack Workspace: GEM workshop "support-each-other" channel



Sam Bingham (1988-2020)



Fred Hall (1968-2020)



Stan Sazykin (1972-2021)



**Richard Thorne (1942-2019)** 2



#### Steering Committee (SC) Voting Members



Vania Jordanova (Chair)



Adam Kellerman (Chair-Elect)



Allison Jaynes (At-Large Member)



lan Cohen (At-Large Member)



Lynn Kistler (At-Large Member)



Yihua Zheng (At-Large Member)



Chris Mouikis (Meeting Organizer)



Seth Claudepierre (RAC-IMAG)



Hyunju Connor (RAC-MIC)



Matina Gkioulidou (RAC-MPS)



Alex Glocer (RAC-GSM)



Raluca Ilie (RAC-IMAG)



John Lyon (RAC-GSM)



Chia-Lin Huang (Meeting Organizer)



Shin Ohtani (RAC-MIC)



Steve Petrinec (RAC-SWMI)



Brian Walsh (RAC-SWMI)



Chih-Ping Wang (RAC-MPS)



Agnit Mukhopadhyay (Student Rep)



Mei-Yun Lin (Student Rep)

- We will be looking for 3 new RACs to replace Matina, Seth & Shin!
- Many thanks for the outstanding service to the GEM community!

#### Active GEM Focus Groups (11 with 3 FG ending)

- Merged Modeling & Measurement of Injection Ionospheric Plasma into the Magnetosphere (M³I²) and Its Effects Plasma Sheet, Ring Current, Substorm Dynamics (2016 2021; Shasha Zou, Barbara Giles, and Rick Chappell; RA: Primary MIC, Secondary None)
- ULF wave Modeling, Effects, and Applications (2016 2021; Michael Hartinger, Kazue Takahashi, Alexander Drozdov, Maria Usanova, Brian Kress, and Xueling Shi; RA: Primary GSM, Secondary None)
- Dayside Kinetic Processes in Global Solar Wind-Magnetosphere Interaction (2016 2021; Heli Hietala, Xochitl Blanco-Cano, Gabor Toth, Andrew Dimmock, and Ying Zou; RA: Primary SWMI, Secondary GSM)
- Magnetotail Dipolarization and Its Effects on the Inner Magnetosphere (2017 2023; Christine Gabrielse, Matina Gkioulidou, Slava Merkin,
   Drew Turner, and David Malaspina; RA: Primary MPS, Secondary IMAG)
- □ 3D Ionospheric Electrodynamics and Its Impact on the Magnetosphere-Ionosphere-Thermosphere Coupled System (IEMIT) (2017 2022; Hyunju Connor, Dogacan Ozturk, Gang Lu, and Bin Zhang; RA: Primary MIC, Secondary GSM)
- Magnetic Reconnection in the Age of the Heliophysics System Observatory (2018 2024; Rick Wilder, Shan Wang, Michael Shay, and Anton Artemyev; RA: Primary GSM, Secondary None)
- Interhemispheric Approaches to Understand M-I Coupling (IHMIC) (2018 2023; Hyomin Kim, Robert Lysak, and Tomoko Matsuo; RA: Primary MIC, Secondary IMAG)
- System Understanding of Radiation Belt Particle Dynamics through Multi-spacecraft and Ground-based Observations and Modeling (2019 2024; Hong Zhao, Lauren Blum, Sasha Ukhorskiy, and Xiangrong Fu; RA: Primary IMAG, Secondary None)
- Particle Heating and Thermalization in Collisionless Shocks in the MMS Era (2019 2024; Lynn Wilson III, Li-Jen Chen, Katherine Goodrich, and Ivan Vasko; RA: Primary SWMI, Secondary None)
- The Impact of the Cold Plasma in Magnetospheric Physics (2020 2025; Gian Luca Delzanno, Natalia Buzulukosva, Barbara Giles, Roger Varney, and Joe Borovsky; RA: Primary IMAG, Secondary None)
- Self-Consistent Inner Magnetospheric Modeling (2020 2025; Cristian Ferradas, Chao Yue, Jacob Bortnik, Qianli Ma; RA: Primary IMAG, Secondary MIC)

There will be a call for new Focus Groups in the fall!



#### **NSF GEM Program Director**



Lisa Winter

# Steering Committee Liaison Members (18)

Please see the reports in the GEMstone newsletter on the GEM wiki:

https://gem.epss.ucla.edu/mediawiki/i ndex.php/GEMstone\_Newsletter

- Shasha Zou (Liason to CEDAR)
- Joe Borovsky (Liaison to SHINE)
- Masha Kuznetsova (Liaison to CCMC)
- Jesse Woodroffe (Liaison to NASA)
- Howard Singer (Liaison to NOAA)
- James McCollough (Liaison to AFRL)
- > Josh Rigler (Liaison to USGS)
- Andrew Dimmock (Liaison to Europe)
- Laura Morales (Liaison to Argentina)
- Brian Fraser (Liaison to Australia)
- John Manuel (Liaison to Canada)
- > Chi Wang (Liaison to China)
- Yoshizumi Miyoshi (Liaison to Japan)
- Jaejin Lee (Liaison to Korea)
- Xochitl Blanco-Cano (Liaison to Mexico)
- Lou Lee (Liaison to Taiwan)
- Thomas Elsden (Liaison to MIST/UK)
- Lutz Rastaetter (Liaison for Metrics and Validation Resource Group)



#### **VGEM 2021 Information**

- Total registered participants >500; total number of students >200
- 4 applications for family care grant (max 8; you can still apply!)
- > 140 posters submitted

Many opportunities for communication during/after the workshop:

- √ VGEM 2021 virtual platform: vgem.org
- ✓ Posters and social activities: Gather.Town
- ✓ Discussions via Slack Workspace: gemworkshop.slack.com





## **New GEM Logo Design Contest**

- > 17 logo designs were submitted; SC members selected the top 3 concepts
- Every GEMer will be able to vote from the new designs and the current logo
- You can find the voting Google form on our workshop website (gemworkshop.org)
- > The winning design will be annonced on Friday!







