**OHSU Research Week Poster Session**

The virtual Gathertown space will serve as the Research Week poster hall, where you can meet up with colleagues and find out about the exciting research happening at OHSU.

The virtual space will be open to all attendees for the entire day, **Monday, May 2**, for poster viewing. Presenters will be available at their posters from 3 – 6 p.m.

**Access the Gather space**

For a smooth poster session experience, use Google Chrome or Firefox to access the link below:

https://app.gather.town/invite?token=hVlSQXSZWpKS6ju2wGYJmLinTCJxQwlq

- Enter your name (as it would appear on a name tag) and select your devices (camera and microphone).
  - Identify yourself in your name as P-name (presenters) or A-name (attendees). You are also invited to enter your career level after your name (F-faculty, PD-postdoc, S-student).
  - For example, Leire Abalde would be “A - Leire Abalde - PD"
- You can edit the appearance of your avatar by clicking ‘Edit Character’. These settings can also be edited once you are inside the Gather space (by clicking on your name > Change character).
- Click on “Join the Gathering”.

![Gather Invitation](https://app.gather.town/invite?token=hVlSQXSZWpKS6ju2wGYJmLinTCJxQwlq)

**Locate a poster**

When you first enter the Gather space, you will find yourself in the main hall entrance, or you might also be ported directly into a room. It depends on how many people are trying to enter at one time.

- Use your keyboard arrows (or W-A-S-D) to walk around the space. You will be automatically connected by video and audio when you are in proximity to someone else’s avatar.
• To minimize the number of video and audio interactions, click on your name on the lower bar, then “turn on quiet mode”

• You can find the coordinates of a poster by visiting the Bulletin boards located in each room and the main hall. Press ‘X’ to open the file.

You can also find a poster by locating the presenter (if they are online at that time):

• On the right side of the screen, click the bottom icon to view the list of currently active users. Click on the user you are looking for, and choose an option:
  o Choose ‘Locate on map’ and a black line will direct you to their poster.
  o Choose ‘Follow’ and your avatar will automatically find the presenter and their poster.

If at any point you get stuck (e.g. another user’s avatar is blocking you) or you would like to return to the main hall area, click on your name on the bottom left of the screen, then click “Respawn”.

**Interact with a poster**

Each poster has a perimeter that makes it a private space; you must be standing within the private space to view the poster and see/hear the presenter’s video and audio feed.
When you reach the private area of a poster, click “X” to interact with it.

On the right-hand side of the poster, you will see two icons:
- The top icon allows you to click anywhere on the poster and have a small red circle appear for a few seconds at the location you click; this feature can be used by presenters and audience members to draw attention to a particular panel.
- The bottom icon allows you to zoom in and out of the poster.
- Zooming in and out of a poster only happens on your screen; it will not affect other attendees’ viewing experience.

If a presenter’s avatar is present in the poster private space, but the presenter is not actively online on Gather (e.g., if they are responding to a work email), their camera will be off and it will indicate that the person is “away from tab”. You can try ringing them or drop them a message through the chat function.

If a poster you are interested in looking at is busy at a particular moment, just like you would do in an in-person poster session consider visiting it again later.
Further assistance

There will be volunteers at the help desks in the main hall to further assist you if needed. Simply approach their avatar to start a conversation with them.

Helpful tutorials:
How to use Gather as an attendee

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_eAEgZ6LT3k