



## First Circular

# 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Thermochronology

Dear colleagues,

We are delighted to invite you to the **20<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Thermochronology (THERMO 2027)**, to be held in **Banff, Alberta, Canada, from September 12-17, 2027**. As we celebrate the 50th year of the thermochronology conference series, we are excited to welcome the international thermochronology community to Canada for the first time. Located in **Banff National Park in the Canadian Rocky Mountains**, Banff offers an exceptional setting for scientific exchange, collaboration, and reconnecting with colleagues from around the world. Please save the date and join us for a week of science, discussion, and discovery in one of Canada's most spectacular landscapes. The conference website is now live: <https://www.thermo2027.org> Please check regularly for updates.

### Important Dates

#### 2026

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| September  | <i>First circular</i>                     |
| December 1 | Deadline for submitting award nominations |

#### 2027

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| January      | <i>Second circular</i>                                                                    |
| January 15   | Early Registration and Abstract submission open                                           |
| May 3        | Early Registration and Abstract submission closes                                         |
| July         | <i>Third circular</i>                                                                     |
| August 6     | Regular Registration and Accommodation at Banff Center Hotel with discounted rates closes |
| September 9  | Pre-Conference Fieldtrip begins                                                           |
| September 12 | Conference begins                                                                         |

The **International Standing Committee on Thermochronology (ISCT)** is currently soliciting nominations for the **Dodson, Laslett, and Naeser Awards**. Please note that **nominations must be submitted directly to the ISCT Awards Committee (Max Zattin)**. Details on nomination procedures and deadlines are available through the [ISCT](#) and [Thermo2027](#) websites.

Participants who require an **invitation letter for visa purposes** will be able to pre-register soon on the registration website to ensure sufficient time for visa processing.

We have **secured 140 guest rooms at preferential conference rates at the Banff Centre**. We strongly encourage attendees to stay at the hotel on campus and reserve their accommodation through the conference booking process once it becomes available. Room availability at the Banff Centre is limited, and early booking is recommended to ensure access to the negotiated rates. Secured rates apply for the duration of the conference and 3 nights before and after.

A **three-day pre-conference field trip** will take place from **September 9-11, 2027**. The excursion will take you along an East–West transect visiting world-class Dinosaur sites in the Alberta Prairies and observing the changing landscapes, structures and lithologies as you cross the entire fold-thrust belt from the foothills through the Canadian Rocky Mountains. Details will be posted on the website soon.



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We are actively seeking sponsors to help support THERMO 2027 and enable a successful and inclusive conference experience. Organizations and individuals interested in sponsorship opportunities are invited to contact the organizing team. We would be delighted to discuss ways to support the event.

Please share this circular with colleagues, students, postdoctoral researchers, and anyone else who may be interested in attending THERMO 2027. Those who are not currently receiving conference communications can request to be **added to the mailing list** by sending a note to [thermo2027@gmail.com](mailto:thermo2027@gmail.com).

We look forward to welcoming you to Banff in September 2027 for an exciting week of science, discussion, and community building in one of Canada's most spectacular mountain settings.

Sincerely,

Local Organizing Committee THERMO 2027

*Eva Enkelmann, University of Calgary (co-convenor)*  
*David Schneider, University of Ottawa (co-convenor)*  
*Isabelle Coutand, Dalhousie University*  
*Luke Beranek, Memorial University of Newfoundland*  
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