Program

Biochemical and Molecular Engineering XVII Emerging Frontiers

June 26 – 30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Conference Chairs:

François Baneyx University of Washington

Costas D. Maranas The Pennsylvania State University

> Beth Junker Merck & Company





Engineering Conferences International 32 Broadway, Suite 314 - New York, NY 10004, USA Phone: 1 - 212 - 514 - 6760, Fax: 1 - 212 - 514 - 6030 www.engconfintl.org – info@engconfintl.org

Conference Location (All Sessions and Meals)

Bell Harbor International Conference Center 2211 Alaskan Way, Pier 66 Seattle, WA 98121 Phone: 206.441.6666

Conference Hotels

Seattle Waterfront Marriott 2100 Alaskan Way Seattle, Washington 98121 Phone: 1-206-443-5000

Renaissance Seattle Hotel 515 Madison Street Seattle, Washington 98104 Phone: 1-206-583-0300 Engineering Conferences International (ECI) is a not-for-profit global engineering conferences program, originally established in 1962, that provides opportunities for the exploration of problems and issues of concern to engineers and scientists from many disciplines.

ECI BOARD MEMBERS

Barry C. Buckland, President Peter Gray Michael King Raymond McCabe David Robinson Jules Routbort William Sachs Eugene Schaefer P. Somasundaran Deborah Wiley

Chair of ECI Conferences Committee: William Sachs

ECI Technical Liaison for this conference: Beth Junker

ECI Executive Director: Barbara K. Hickernell

ECI Associate Director: Kevin M. Korpics

©Engineering Conferences International

Welcome from the Chairs

June 2011

Participants, Colleagues, and Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to Seattle, WA for Biochemical and Molecular Engineering XVII. This premier international conference – the seventeenth in the series – brings together established researchers and young investigators from academia and the private sector to discuss the present and chart the future of biochemical engineering. With well over 200 participants and 120 posters, we took great care to ensure that the meeting covers a broad range of topics. As has been the tradition over the past few decades, our goals were to provide: (1) excellence in programming; (2) substantive and selective participation by industry and academia, including a significant number of graduate students; and (3) opportunities to interact in both formal and informal settings.

Many of you will have noticed that the name of the conference was changed to reflect the growing contribution of molecular thinking to the field. With *Emerging Frontiers* as this year's theme, we aim at taking an even broader stock of the trends, technologies, and thought processes that will shape the biochemical engineering of tomorrow. Thus, in addition to forward-looking core sessions (e.g., Technologies for Accelerating Cell Culture Development, Rethinking Process Scale-Up, and Engineering Effective Vaccines), BME XVII features a series of burgeoning topics such as the bio-nano interface, design of biomolecular structures and biological networks, and novel approaches for bioremediation. It is our hope that this blend of traditional and emerging areas will challenge the audience to think of new ways to address problems, cross-pollinate best practices and ideas, and promote in-depth discussions with colleagues from across the US and around the globe.

BME XVII will also continue the celebration of the past, present and future of Biochemical Engineering started by Biochemical Engineering XVI. We will be honoring Michael Shuler for his many contributions to the field by dedicating the *Biomolecular Networks* session to him. We will celebrate the selection of Jens Nielsen as the winner of the prestigious *Amgen Award*. Finally, we will recognize excellence in the next generation by presenting the second *Biochemical Engineering Journal Young Investigator Award* to Kristala Prather-Jones.

We would like to express our deep appreciation to the session chairs whose diligent efforts have enabled the outstanding breadth and quality of talks and posters. We also thank the dedicated ECI staff for facilitating the meeting's organization. Most importantly, we thank the sponsors listed on the following pages: without their generous support, BME XVII would not have been possible. We are also delighted to have as a special guest to the conference Fred Heineken (retired NSF Program Director) who has played a unique role in the community by fostering support for the research of many academics in the Biochemical Engineering community in the US.

Finally, we would like to thank all the speakers, poster authors, and attendees for providing the superb scientific content and interactions that make this meeting so invaluable and productive. We hope you will enjoy the conference and participate to the fullest extent. Thanks for joining us!

François Baneyx, University of Washington Costas Maranas, The Pennsylvania State University Beth Junker, Merck & Company

2011 Amgen Biochemical Engineering Award Winner Professor Jens Nielsen Chalmers University of Technology

Jens Nielsen has been making significant contributions to the field of Biochemical Engineering since he started working in the field 25 years ago. Jens has been involved in almost every aspect in research and development in Biochemical Engineering. He represents the best of biochemical engineering as his approaches have combined development of experimental tools, analytical technologies, quantitative frameworks, and systems engineering methodologies.

Three aspects of his professional career distinguish Jens:



- He has made significant contributions and he has advanced basic and applied research in four of the most complex and the most important microorganisms: Saccharomyces cerevisiae, Aspergillus niger, Penicillium chrysogenum, and lactic acid bacteria. Jens has been the leader in the biochemical engineering of these organisms. In his work using these organisms, he developed and employed innovative experimental, modeling, and computational methodologies, and he demonstrated how these methods can be used in metabolic engineering and bioprocess development for the production of biochemical, pharmaceuticals, and nutraceuticals.
- 2. He has made contributions in almost every aspect of bioprocess technology: from upstream to downstream process development, from genetics to physiology and bioreactor performance, from process monitoring to transcriptomics and metabolomics. Actually, he is one of the handful of people in the field of biochemical engineering who made significant contributions in so many different areas of the field.
- 3. He has pioneered the integration of systems engineering methods and approaches for the study of complex biological systems. What characterizes his approaches and contributions is the rigorous application of quantitative experimental methods from transcriptomics, to metabolomics and flux analysis. And his major impact comes from the development of novel mathematical and computational methods, to fruitfully and productively analyze the information from these methods.

Jens started his research career with the development of advanced analytical systems for on-line monitoring of microbial fermentations and the use of hereby obtained data for detailed mathematical modeling of growth and product formation of different cell factories. These activities naturally evolved into studying metabolic pathways in greater details, and his group therefore started to incorporate tools from molecular biology in order to analyze microbial cells in greater details and to be able to perform directed genetic modifications with the objective to improve the properties of industrially important microorganisms. With the development of genomics and functional genomics, he looked into exploiting how tools from this research field can be used in industrial biotechnology, and this established him as a leader in the emerging field of systems biology.

Today his group is one of the largest academic research groups in the field of systems biology of industrial microorganisms. His research activities focus on mapping of molecular interactions in microbial cells through the combination of molecular biology, detailed physiological studies and mathematical modeling. This work is driven by the objective to improve the properties of cell factories used for the biotechnological production of fuels, fine chemicals, food ingredients, nutraceuticals, and pharmaceuticals through metabolic engineering.

Winner of the 2011 Biochemical Engineering Journal Young Investigator Award: Kristala L. Jones Prather

The Editors of the *Biochemical Engineering Journal*, in cooperation with the ECI Biochemical Engineering Conferences Steering Committee, are very pleased to announce the selection of Kristala L. Jones Prather as the recipient of the second Biochemical Engineering Journal Young Investigator Award. This biennial award recognizes outstanding excellence in research and practice contributed to the field of biochemical engineering by a young community member.

Kristala L. Jones Prather is an Associate Professor in the Department of Chemical Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge, Massachusetts).

Professor Prather received an S.B. in Chemical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and PhD in Chemical Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. She then spent several years as a Senior Research Biochemical Engineer and Research Fellow with Merck Research Labs (Merck & Co., Inc.). In 2004, she returned to her



Alma Mater, MIT, accepting a faculty position within the Department of Chemical Engineering.

Professor Prather's contributions have been recognized in a number of ways, including the MIT School of Engineering Junior Bose Award for Excellence in Teaching (2010), the National Science Foundation CAREER Award (2010), the Technology Review "TR35" Young Innovator Award (2007), the Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award (2005), and the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation New Faculty Award (2004).

In addition to giving numerous invited lectures and serving on organizing committees for several international meetings, Professor Prather has also been called upon to present testimony on applications of synthetic biology before the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical issues (July 2010, Washington, DC, with Professor George Church of Harvard and Dr. J. Craig Venter of the Venter Institute) and to speak at the National Academy of Science *Kavli Frontiers of Science Symposium* (2010).

Building on her experiences within academia and industry, Professor Prather's current research merges Metabolic Engineering with Synthetic Biology to establish "retro-biosynthesis," a new paradigm aimed at establishing principles and practices for biological pathway design in a manner analogous to the organic chemist's use of retrosynthesis principles.

About the Biochemical Engineering Journal

The *Biochemical Engineering Journal* aims to promote progress in the crucial chemical engineering aspects of the development of biological processes associated with everything from raw materials presentation to product recovery relevant to industries as diverse as medical/healthcare, food, and environmental protection. The Journal is well established in areas such as environmental bioengineering, immobilized enzymes and microorganisms, and bioreactor modeling and optimization. The Journal continues to develop its profile to encompass the areas of protein engineering and recombinant protein production, systems biology, metabolic engineering, and cell and tissue engineering. The Impact Factor for the Biochemical Engineering Journal is 2.193*. For more information or for a list of top cited articles, please visit www.elsevier.com/locate/bej.

* Bournal Citation Reports 2010, published by Thomson Reuters.

Conference Sponsors

U. S. National Science Foundation

Adolf Kühner AG

Amgen

Bayer

Biotechnology and Bioengineering (Wiley-Blackwell)

Biomarin

Dupont

Danisco

DSM Biologics

Emergent Biosolutions

Genentech

Genomatica, Inc.

GlaxoSmithKline

GE Healthcare Life Sciences

Merck & Co., Inc.

Pall Life Sciences

PBS Biotech

Sartorius Stedim Biotech

Thermo Fisher Scientific

UCB Celltech

Washington Biotechnology & Biomedical Association (WBBA)

Location Notes

Maritime Event Center with museum exhibits

Outside of Bay Auditorium

International Promenade

Sunday

Registration/Check-in Dinner ("Stations") Technical Session Social Hour and Posters

Monday

Continental BreakfastInternational PromenadeTechnical SessionsBay AuditoriumMorning Coffee BreakInternational PromenadeLunchInternational PromenadeAfternoon Coffee Break and PostersInternational PromenadeDinnerOn your own (local restaurant information at ECI desk)

Bay Auditorium

<u>Tuesday</u>

Continental BreakfastInternational PromenadeTechnical SessionsBay AuditoriumMorning Coffee BreakInternational PromenadeLunchOn your own (local restaurant information at ECI desk along
with directions to Pike Place Market)Afternoon Coffee Break and PostersInternational PromenadeDinnerInternational PromenadeDessert, Social Hour and PostersInternational Promenade

Wednesday

Continental Breakfast Technical Sessions Morning Coffee Break Lunch Afternoon Coffee Break Reception Banguet International Promenade Bay Auditorium International Promenade Boxed – with option to eat on roof or by water International Promenade North Prefunction Lobby – Finalist Posters on view Harbor Dining Room

NOTES

- Audiotaping, videotaping and photography of presentations are prohibited.
- Speakers Please have your presentation loaded onto the conference computer prior to the session start (preferably the day before).
- Speakers Please leave at least 5 minutes for questions and discussion.
- Please do not smoke at any conference functions.
- Turn your cellular telephones to vibrate or off during technical sessions.
- Be sure to make any corrections to your name/contact information on the Master Participant List or confirm (by your initials) that the listing is correct. A corrected copy will be sent to all participants after the conference.

BELL HARBOR

FLOOR PLAN



BELL HARBOR

INTERNATIONA

CONFERENCE CENTER

Pier 66, 2211 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA 98121-1604 USA

Telephone 206.441.6666 · Toll-Free 1.888.772.4422 · Facsimile 206.441.6665

www.bellharbor.org \cdot e-mail info@bellharbor.org





Sunday, June 26, 2011

14:00 – 18:00	Registration/Conference Check-in
17:00 – 18:30	"Stations" dinner
18:30 – 19:00	Conference Welcome François Baneyx, Conference chair and David Robinson, ECI
	Introduction of Academic Keynote François Baneyx
19:00 – 20:00	Academic Keynote – David Baker, University of Washington Design of Folding, Binding and Catalysis
20:00 – 21:00	Introduction to BEJ Young Investigator Award Bill Miller, Northwestern University
	BEJ Young Investigator Award Winner Talk A Platform Pathway for the Production of Value-Added Chiral Hydroxyacids Kristala Prather-Jones, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
	Award Presentation Angela Welch, Elsevier
21:00 – 22:30	Poster Session / Social Hour Poster Chairs: Kumar Dhanasekharan, Genzyme Corporation Vaseem Palejwala, Sanofi-Aventis Pharmaceuticals Jennifer Reed, University of Wisconsin-Madison Joel Sirois, University of Sherbrooke

<u>Monday, June 27, 2011</u>

07:00 - 08:00	Breakfast
08:00	Biomolecular Engineering of Biofuels and Commodity Chemicals Session Chairs: Brian Pfleger, University of Wisconsin Jack Newman, Amyris
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
08:10 – 08:35	Computational Methods for Re-Designing Metabolic and Regulatory Networks Jennifer Reed, University of Wisconsin-Madison
08:35 – 09:00	Engineering Microorganisms for Production of Advanced Biofuels Jay Keasling, University of California Berkeley
09:00 – 09:25	Microbial Fatty Acid Metabolism as a Platform for Fuel and Chemical Production Stephen Del Cardayre, LS9
09:25 – 09:50	Sustainable Production of Biolsoprene [™] Monomer Maggie Cervin, Genencor, Division of Danisco US Inc.
09:50 – 10:00	Session Discussion and Questions
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break / Informal Poster Viewing
10:30	Novel Strategies for Biologics Production Session Chairs: Mariajose Castellanos, Univ. of Maryland, Baltimore County Guenter Jagschies, GE Healthcare Life Science Technologies
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
10:40 – 11:05	A Platform Technology for Cost-Effective Production of Highly Functionalized Biobeads Bernd Rehm, PolyBatics Ltd. and Massey University
11:05 – 11:30	Membrane Protein Expression and Characterization: Can We Build a Better Yeast Host through Understanding Protein-Protein Interactions? Anne Robinson, University of Delaware
11:30 – 11:50	The Implementation Strategy for Complete Single Use Processing for Biologics Production: Paradigm Shift for Process Development and Manufacturing David Pollard, Merck
11:55 – 12:20	High-Throughput Development Strategies to Ensure Knowledge Accumulation for Process Design and Control Debby O'Connor, Genentech
12:20 – 12:30	Session Discussion and Questions
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch

Monday, June 27, 2011 (continued)

13:30	Bioremediation Approaches for the 21st Century Session Chairs: Wilfred Chen, University of Delaware Craig Sandefur, Regenesis
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
13:40 – 14:05	Reductive Dehalogenation of TCE: Linking Bioremediation Performance with Molecular Markers Marc Deshusses, Duke University
14:05 – 14:30	Free Enzyme Bioremediants for the Triazine Herbicides Colin Scott, CSIRO Ecosystem Sciences
14:30 – 14:55	Engineering Enzymes, Bacteria and Plants for the Bioremediation of Explosives Neil Bruce, University of York
14:55 – 15:20	Molecular Probing of the Microbial World: Knowledge for Fundamental Environmental Characterization to Managing for Beneficial Use Bill Mahaffey, Luca Technologies
15:20 – 15:30	Session Discussion and Questions
15:30 – 17:00	Poster Session / Coffee Break Presenters of odd numbered posters are asked to stay by their posters
17:00	The Bio-Nano Interface Session Chairs: Sang Yup Lee, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology Pierre Rouviere, Dupont
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
17:10 – 17:35	Bionanoscience for Innovative Global Healthcare Research and Technology (BIGHEART) Luke P. Lee, University of California Berkeley
17:35 – 18:00	Interrogation of Biological Signaling via Biofabricated Devices William Bentley, University of Maryland
18:00 – 18:25	Scaling up Bio-Nanotechnology for Materials Applications Pierre Rouviere, DuPont
18:25 – 18:50	Separating Magnetically Labeled and Unlabeled Biological Cells within Microfluidic Channels using Magnetic Nanowires Jeffrey Chalmers, Ohio State University
18:50 – 19:00	Session Discussion and Questions
19:00 – 22:00	Dinner on your own

Tuesday, June 28, 2011

07:00 - 08:00	Breakfast
08:00	<u>Design of Biomolecular Structures</u> Session Chairs: Scott Banta, Columbia University Daniela Grabs, Arzeda
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
08:10 – 08:35	Steps Towards Artificial Genomes: De Novo Designed Proteins that Function <i>in vivo</i> and Sustain Cell Growth Michael Hecht, Princeton University
08:35 - 09:00	Towards Modular Binding of Peptides Andreas Plückthun, University of Zurich
09:00 - 09:25	Engineered Peptide Binding Chaperones for Membrane Protein Crystallization Jennifer Maynard, University of Texas
09:25 – 09:50	Engineering Enzymes for Improved Activity and Selectivity for the Synthesis of Pharmaceutical Intermediates Katarina Midelfort, Pfizer Worldwide Research and Development
09:50 – 10:00	Session Discussion and Questions
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break / Informal Poster Viewing
10:30	<u>Biomolecular Networks</u> (In honor of Professor Mike Shuler) Session Chairs: George Georgiou, University of Texas Anthony Burgard, Genomatica
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
10:40 – 11:05	Signaling Network Regulation of Apoptotic Cell Death Doug Lauffenberger, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
11:05 – 11:30	Integrative Genome-Scale Metabolic Analysis of Pathogens for Drug Targeting and Discovery Sang-Yup Lee, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology
11:30 – 11:55	Design, Evolution, and Reconstruction of High Flux Microbial Synthesis Networks of Fuels and Chemicals James Liao, University of California Los Angeles
11:55 – 12:20	Can We Construct a Living Cell? Mike Shuler, Cornell University
12:20 – 12:30	Session Discussion and Questions
12:30 – 17:00	Lunch on your own
	Coordinated afternoon activities Free time / Informal Poster Viewing

Tuesday, June 28, 2011 (continued)

17:00	<u>Biomolecular Solutions for Health</u> Session Chairs: Jennifer Maynard, University of Texas Tom van Blarcom, Pfizer
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
17:10 – 17:35	Engineering Single-Cell Bioanalytic Processes to Resolve Human Immune Responses Chris Love, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
17:35 – 18:00	Novel Technologies for the Detection and Cellular Degradation of Misfolded Proteins Laura Segatori, Rice University
18:00 – 18:25	Trispecific IgG/Fn3-based Antibodies that Strongly Downregulate and Inhibit EGFR Dane Wittrup, Massachusetts Institute of Technology/Adimab
18:25 – 18:50	Application of Human Genetics to Drug Development and Improved Clinical Outcomes David Cox, Pfizer
18:50 – 19:00	Session Discussion and Questions
	Introduction of Industrial Keynote Beth Junker, Merck and Co., Inc. and Conference Co-Chair
19:00 – 20:00	Industrial Keynote – Doug Cameron, Alberti Advisors LLC Biochemical Engineering and the Re-emerging Bio-based Chemical Industry
20:00 – 21:00	Dinner
21:00 – 22:30	Poster Session with Dessert and Social Hour Presenters of even numbered posters are asked to stay by their posters

Wednesday, June 29, 2011

07:00 - 08:00	Breakfast
08:00	<u>Cell Differentiation Engineering</u> Session Chairs: Julie Audet, University of Toronto Jane Lebkowski, Geron
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
08:10 – 08:35	Engineered Heart Tissue Enables Efficient Interrogation of Differentiation and Integration Potential of Pluripotent Stem Cells in Cardiac Environment Milica Radisic, University of Toronto
08:35 – 09:00	Microscale Manipulation of Cells and Their Environment for Controlling Stem Cell Fate Joel Voldman, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
09:00 – 09:25	Engineering 3D Pluripotent Stem Cell Microenvironments for Directed Differentiation and Morphogenesis Todd McDevitt, Georgia Institute of Technology
09:25 – 09:50	Enabling Scalable Manufacturing Processes for Human Embryonic Stem Cell Derived Cell Therapies Erik Whiteley, Geron Corp.
09:50 – 10:00	Session Discussion and Questions
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break / Informal Poster Viewing
10:30	<u>Engineering Effective Vaccines</u> Session Chairs: Laura Palomares, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México Niranjan Sardesai, Inovio
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
10:40 – 11:05	Plant-made Vaccines and Biopharmaceuticals: A Novel Low Cost Platform Technology Henry Daniell, University of Central Florida
11:05 – 11:30	Engineering influenza vaccines to overcome antigenic change Philip R. Dormitzer, Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics
11:30 – 11:55	Biochemical and Molecular Engineering of Virus-Like Particle Vaccines Anton Middleberg, University of Queensland
11:55 – 12:20	Engineering Consensus DNA Vaccines for Increased Breadth and Magnitude of Immune Responses Niranjan Sardesai, Innovio
12:20 – 12:30	Session Discussion and Questions
12:30 – 13:30	Box lunch / Informal Poster Viewing

Wednesday, June 29, 2011 (continued)

13:30	Rethinking Process Scale-Up Session Chairs: Jim Swartz, Stanford University Jason Carstens, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
13:40 – 14:05	Using Small Scale Studies to Optimize Process Operational Parameters for the Purposes of Scaling the Process to Manufacturing Scale in a Cost and Time- Efficient Manner Tim Lee, Sanofi-Pasteur
14:05 – 14:30	A Cell Free Scalable Biochemical Protein Synthesis Platform Henry Heinsohn, Sutro Biopharma
14:30 – 14:55	Developing a Renewable Oil Manufacturing Process from Microalgae Peter Licari, Solazyme
14:55 – 15:05	Session Discussion and Questions
15:05 – 15:35	Coffee Break (sponsored by DSM) / Informal Poster Viewing
15:35	<u>Technologies for Accelerating Cell Culture Development</u> Session Chairs: Ryan Gill, University of Colorado Chetan Goudar, Bayer
	Introduction to Session and Speakers
15:35 – 16:00	The International Community's Effort to Sequence the CHO Genome Kelvin H. Lee, University of Delaware
16:00 – 16:25	CHO Systems Biotechnology Approaches for Rational Biopharmaceutical Process Development Jochen Schaub, Boehringer Ingelheim
16:25 – 16:50	Using Zinc-Finger Nucleases (ZFNs) for Cell Engineering in Chinese Hamster Ovary (CHO) Cells Henry George, Sigma-Aldrich Corporation
16:50 – 17:15	Enabling Technologies for Isolation of High Production Cell-Lines with Desired Product Quality Attributes Mirna Mujacic, Amgen
17:15 – 17:25	Session Discussion and Questions
17:25	Introduction to Amgen Award Lecture James Thomas, Amgen
17:30 – 18:30	Amgen Award Lecture Metabolic Engineering, Synthetic Biology, Systems Biology,What is the Role of Biochemical Engineering? Jens Nielsen, Chalmers University of Technology

Wednesday, June 29, 2011 (continued)

18:30 – 19:30	Break to prepare for Banquet
19:30 – 20:30	Reception
	Finalist posters on view in Harbor Lobby
20:30 – 21:30	Banquet
21:30 – 21:50	Amgen Award Winner roast
21:50 – 22:00	Conference Closing Remarks Costas Maranas, Conference Chair and David Robinson, ECI

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Poster List

1. SIMPLER IS BETTER: HIGH-EFFICIENCY BIOFUELS PRODUCTION BY IN VITRO SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY APPROACHES

Y-H Percival Zhang, Virginia Tech

- 2. CELLULASE ENGINEERING FROM INDIVIDUAL PARTS TO THEIR COMPLEXES CELLULOSOME TO RECOMBINANT CELLULOLYTIC BACILLUS SUBTILIS Y-H Percival Zhang, Virginia Tech
- 3. **DIRECTED EVOLUTION VIA TRACKABLE MULTIPLEX RECOMBINEERING** Ryan T. Gill, University of Colorado at Boulder
- 4. OVER-EXPRESSION OF KEY GENES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ROBUST SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE STRAINS FOR CELLULOSIC ETHANOL PRODUCTION Pedro Pena, University of Minnesota
- 5. SENSORS FOR SINGLE CELL ISOLATION OF METABOLITE PRODUCING BACTERIA Stephan Binder, Biotechnology, IBG-1, Research Centre Jülich
- PRODUCTION OF SUCCINIC ACID USING ACETIC ACID AS CARBON SOURCE BY ESCHERICHIA COLI NZN111
 Zhimin Li, East China University of Science and Technology
- 7. INCREASING LONG CHAIN FATTY ACID PRODUCTION BY ENGINEERING FATTY ACID SYNTHESIS (FAS) FROM ESCHERICHIA COLI Eunyoung Jeon, Sogang University
- 8. **IDENTIFICATION AND UTILIZATION OF 2,3-BUTANEDIOL RELATED GENES FOR PRODUCTION OF 2,3-BUTANEDIOL IN KLESIELLA PNEUMONIA AND KLESIELLA OXYTOCA** Soojin Lee, Sogang University
- 9. **2,3-BDO PRODUCTION FROM KLEBSIELLA PNEUMONIAE, KLEBSIELLA OXYTOCA AND ENTEROBACTER ASBURIAE BY ALTERING PH CONDITIONS** Mingshou Lu, Sogang University
- DEVELOPMENT OF RECOMBINANT ESCHERICHIA COLI STRAINS FOR IMPROVING OF FATTY

 ACID SYNTHESIS (FAS)

 Sunhee Lee, Sogang University
- 11. GENETIC IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF NOVEL CELLULASES AND CELLULOLYTIC COMPLEXES FROM ANAEROBIC FUNGI Michelle A. O'Malley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Biochemical and Molecular Engineering XVII Emerging Frontiers

Emerging Fromlers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Poster List

12. METABOLIC ENGINEERING OF BACTERIA FOR SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION OF FATTY ACID DERIVED PRODUCTS

Brian Pfleger, University of Wisconsin Madison

- 13. TRANSCRIPTIONAL MICROBIAL ALLOYS: ENABLING E. COLI TO RECOGNIZE LACTOBACILLUS PLANTARUM PROMOTERS FOR DEVELOPING COMPLEX MICROBIAL PHENOTYPES Stefan M. Gaida, University of Delaware
- 14. **FERMENTATION OF SUGAR MIXTURES FOUND IN LIGNOCELLULOSIC HYDROLYSATE** Tian Xia, University of Georgia
- 15. **IMPROVED SODIUM ION TOLERANCE OF ESCHERICHIA COLI** Xianghao Wu, University of Georgia
- 16. SYSTEMS METABOLIC ENGINEERING OF ESCHERICHIA COLI FOR THE EFFICIENT PRODUCTION OF PUTRESCINE: A FOUR CARBON LINEAR CHAIN DIAMINE Xiao-Xia Xia, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 17. **PRODUCTION OF LARGE SPIDER DRAGLINE SILK PROTEINS IN METABOLICALLY ENGINEERED ESCHERICHIA COLI TO SPIN INTO A NATIVE QUALITY SILK FIBER** Xiao-Xia Xia, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 18. SENSORS FOR SINGLE CELL ISOLATION OF METABOLITE PRODUCING BACTERIA Stephan Binder, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, IBG-1: Biotechnology
- 19. APPLICATIONS OF ENZYMATIC POLYMERIZATION IN PAPER AND WOOD INDUSTRY Diego Moldes, University of Vigo
- 20. **TUNING GLYCOLYSIS FOR HETEROLOGOUS PRODUCTION** Kevin Solomon, SynBERC, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 21. **METABOLIC CONTROL AND BIOFUEL OUTCOMES IN CHLAMYDOMONAS REINHARDTII** Mariajose Castellanos, University of Maryland
- 22. **IMPROVEMENT OF YEAST BUTANOL TOLERANCE** Payam Ghiasi, Chalmers University of Technology

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

- 23. EVALUATION OF THE ROLE OF NITROGEN UTILIZATION EFFICIENCY IN DETERMINING APPARENT ETHANOL TOLERANCE IN SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE Michelle Lozada-Contreras, University of California, Davis
- 24. MICROBIAL PRODUCTION OF STYRENE FROM RENEWABLE RESOURCES David Nielsen, Arizona State University
- UTR DESIGNER: A PREDICTIVE DESIGN METHOD TO CONTROL THE GENE EXPRESSION IN ESCHERICHIA COLI Sang Woo Seo, Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH)
- 26. **METABOLIC ENGINEERING OF PATHWAYS IN CYANOBACTERIA SYNECHOCYSTIS PCC 6803** Yi Ern Cheah, Colorado State University
- 27. FROM SYSTEMS TO SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY: RECONSTRUCTION OF BACTERIAL MEP PATHWAY IN SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE Siavash Partow, Chalmers University of Technology
- 28. **DEVELOPMENT OF A BIOPLASTIC SECRETION SYSTEM** Charles Miller, Utah State University
- 29. **REITERATIVE RECOMBINATION FOR COMBINATORIAL OPTIMIZATION OF YEAST METABOLIC FLUX FOR TERPENOID PRODUCTION** Nili Ostrov, Columbia University
- 30. YEAST PERFUME FACTORY: METABOLIC ENGINEERING OF SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE FOR PLANT ISOPRENOID BIOSYNTHESIS Gionata Scalcinati, Chalmers University of Technology
- 31. REPLACING GLYCOLYSIS OF SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE WITH A SYNTHETIC PATHWAY FOR CATABOLISM OF GLUCOSE Marta Papini, Chalmers University of Technology
- 32. **STATISTICS-BASED LINEAR MODEL FOR PREDICTION OF CHEMICAL BIOSYNTHESIS YIELDS** Yinjie Tang, Washington University in St. Louis
- 33. OPTIMIZATION OF GENERAL METABOLIC ENGINEERING TECHNIQUES IN THE PHOTOSYNTHETIC CYANOBACTERIUM SYNECHOCYSTIS SP. PCC 6803 Stevan Albers, Colorado State University
- 34. A SYNTHETIC GENETICALLY-ENCODED CELL STATE CONTROLLER Felix Moser, University of California, San Francisco

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

- 35. AN OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE FRAMEWORK FOR HIGH-THROUGHPUT INVERSE METABOLIC ENGINEERING IN FUNGI James R. Collett, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- 36. EFFICIENT COMBINATORIAL METABOLIC PATHWAY OPTIMIZATION WITH RBS LIBRARY CALCULATOR Iman Farasat, The Pennsylvania State University
- 37. DESIGN OF A VIRAL CONTAMINATION BARRIER FOR A SERUM-CONTAINING CELL CULTURE MEDIA OF A LICENSED PRODUCT Kristina Frandsen, Amgen, Inc.
- 38. A CASE STUDY OF APPLYING METABOLOMICS ANALYSIS TO ENHANCE PROCESS UNDERSTANDING AND INCREASE YIELD Nathan McKnight, Genentech, Inc.
- 39. MICROBIAL EXPRESSION FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ANTIBODY FRAGMENT-BASED THERAPEUTICS - DOES IT STILL HAVE A COMPETITIVE EDGE? Amanda Weiss, UCB-Celltech
- 40. A BALANCING ACT IN THE ER: RELATIVE FOLDING AND DISULFIDE BOND FORMATION RATES ARE KEY TO SECRETORY HOMEOSTASIS (*This poster has been withdrawn*) Keith EJ Tyo, Northwestern University
- 41. MOLECULAR AND PROCESS DESIGN FOR ROTAVIRUS-LIKE PARTICLE PRODUCTION IN SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE Octavio T. Ramirez, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de México
- 42. A NOVEL STRATEGY TO REDUCE LACTIC ACID PRODUCTION AND CONTROL PH IN ANIMAL CELL CULTURE Matt Croughan, Amgen Bioprocessing Center at Keck Graduate Institute
- 43. OPTIMIZED PRODUCTION AND PURIFICATION OF NOVEL MONO- OR MULTI-SPECIFIC THERAPEUTIC PROTEINS FOR ONCOLOGY AND AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES Brian Albarran, Emergent BioSolutions
- 44. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPACT OF HARVEST TIME ON THE MANUFACTURABILITY OF HIGH CELL DENSITY FERMENTATIONS Miguel-Angel Perez-Pardo, University College London

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Poster List

- 45. HIGH-LEVEL PRODUCTION OF KRINGLE DOMAIN VARIANT BY HIGH CELL DENSITY CULTIVATION OF ESCHERICHIA COLI Seung Hoon Jang, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 46. STRATEGIES FOR PLASMID DNA PURIFICATION USING LOW-COST AQUEOUS TWO-PHASE SYSTEMS Tiago Matos, Lund University
- 47. APPLICATION OF NATIVE SIGNAL SEQUENCES FOR RECOMBINANT PROTEINS SECRETION IN PICHIA PASTORIS Irina Borodina, Technical University of Denmark
- 48. BIOLOGICS MANUFACTURE SMALLER, BETTER, FASTER; A NOVEL CONCEPT BASED ON TITER BOOSTING AND PROCESS INTENSIFICATION Marijana Golubovic, DSM Biologics
- 49. IMPROVING THE EXPRESSION OF FUNCTIONAL MEMBRANE PROTEINS IN ESCHERICHIA COLI Brent L. Nannenga, University of Washington
- 50. AN ALTERNATIVE MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY PURIFICATION APPROACH TO PROTEIN A CHROMATOGRAPHY IN PRIMARY RECOVERY FACILITATED BY MICROWELL mAb PRECIPITATION

Yu Ji, University College London

- 51. HARNESSING THE POTENTIAL OF THE TAT EXPORT PATHWAY FOR COMMERCIAL PROTEIN PRODUCTION IN E. COLI Steven D Branston, University College London
- 52. HIGH-THROUGHPUT IN SITU CULTIVATION FOR ACCESSING UNCULTIVABLE ENVIRONMENTAL MICROORGANISMS Satoshi Tsuneda, Waseda University
- 53. DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPUTATIONAL MODEL FOR THE GROWTH PROCESS OF MICROBIAL GRANULES Yuki Kagawa, Waseda University
- 54. NEW INSIGHTS INTO DEHALOCOCCOIDES METABOLISM FROM AN INTEGRATED METABOLIC TRANSCRIPTOMICS STUDY M. Ahsanul Islam, University of Toronto

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Poster List

- 55. EFFECT OF BIOMOLECULAR STRUCTURE ON ENERGY TRANSFER PROCESSES IN PHOTOSYNTHETIC LIGHT HARVESTING COMPLEXES, AND IMPLICATIONS FOR DESIGNING BIO-HYBRID SOLAR CELLS Cynthia S. Lo, Washington University in St. Louis
- 56. INTEGRATING ORGANOPHOSPHORUS HYDROLASE WITH NANOHYBRIDS BASED ON GRAPHENE SHEETS VIA GENETICALLY ENGINEERED PEPTIDE FOR HIGHLY SENSITIVE BIOSENSING

Seung Bum Sohn, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

- 57. PATTERNED AU PARTICLE-ON-WIRE SENSOR FOR MULTIPLEX IDENTIFICATION OF PATHOGENIC BACTERIA Seung Min Yoo, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 58. DETECTION OF SINGLE NUCLEOTIDE POLYMORPHISM BY AU NANOWIRE-ON-FILM SERS SYSTEM COUPLED WITH S1 NUCLEASE REACTION Seung Min Yoo, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 59. **CELLULAR RESPONSES TO ENGINEERED PROTEIN NANOCAPSULES** Szu-Wen Wang, University of California, Irvine
- 60. FACILE BIOMINERALIZATION OF IMMUNO-QUANTUM DOTS Weibin Zhou, University of Washington
- 61. **RATIONAL DESIGN OF AGGREGATION RESISTANCE FOR MULTI-DOMAIN PROTEINS** Anne Skaja Robinson, University of Delaware
- 62. ENGINEERING INTEGRIN I-DOMAIN INTERACTIONS Eric T. Boder, University of Tennessee
- 63. ENGINEERING AGGREGATION-RESISTANT ANTIBODIES Peter M. Tessier, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- 64. **DE NOVO DESIGN OF PROTEINS THAT TARGET NATURAL PROTEIN EPITOPES** Eva-Maria Strauch, University of Washington
- 65. DESIGNING VIRAL CAPSID NANOREACTORS FOR THE STUDY OF COMPARTMENTALIZED PROCESSES

Jeff Glasgow, University of California Berkeley

Biochemical and Molecular Engineering XVII Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

- 66. MOLECULAR CHARACTERIZATION AND ELASTICITY MECHANISMS OF RECOMBINANT RESILIN Guokui Qin, Tufts University
- 67. **DIRECTED EVOLUTION OF NON-NATURAL LIGAND-ACTIVATED ENZYMES** Jennifer Tullman, Johns Hopkins University
- 68. A ONE-DAY, ONE-TUBE METHOD FOR CREATING A COMPLETELY CUSTOMIZED 4,000-MEMBER MUTAGENESIS LIBRARY Elad Firnberg, Johns Hopkins University
- 69. CONSTRUCTION OF A NOVEL METABOLIC PATHWAY FOR THE CONVERSION OF CO2 TO LIQUID FUELS Justin B. Siegel, University of Washington
- 70. **CONSTRUCTION OF INTEIN-MEDIATED BIOACTIVE PROTEIN HYDROGEL** Zhilei Chen, Texas A&M University
- 71. NEW 'SMART' SILK-ELASTIN PROTEIN POLYMERS Xiao-Xia Xia, Tufts University
- 72. MAKING A NATURAL QUALITY FIBER FROM NATIVE-SIZED RECOMBINANT SPIDER SILK PROTEIN Xiao-Xia Xia, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 73. COMPUTATIONAL DESIGN OF ANTIBODIES FOR BINDING TARGETED ANTIGEN EPITOPES WITH HIGH AFFINITY AND SELECTIVITY Robert Pantazes, The Pennsylvania State University
- 74. EXPLORING BI-STABLE SWITCHES AND THEIR FUNCTIONAL ROLES BY INTEGRATING EXPRESSION DATA WITH REGULATORY NETWORKS Christina Chan, Michigan State University
- 75. **GENOME-SCALE ROBUST STRAIN DESIGN** Laurence Yang, University of Toronto
- 76. SIGNALING CARTOONS TO MODEL-BASED INFERENCE: A CONTEMPORARY VIEW TOWARDS UNDERSTANDING HOW CELLS MAKE DECISIONS David J Klinke, West Virginia University

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

- 77. INFERRING CROSS-TALK AMONG INTERLEUKIN-12, INTERFERON-γ AND TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR SIGNALING PATHWAYS WITHIN T HELPER CELLS David J Klinke II, West Virginia University
- 78. **RECONSTRUCTION OF THE GENOME-SCALE METABOLIC NETWORK IN ZYMOMONAS** Sang Yup Lee, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)
- 79. CURATING A GENOME-SCALE METABOLIC MODEL OF MYCOPLASMA GALLISEPTICUM USING AN EVOLUTIONARY ALGORITHM Ranjan Srivastava, University of Connecticut
- 80. MODULATING RPOS GENE EXPRESSION PROFILES VIA A SMALL RNA RIBOREGULATION PLATFORM Karen K. Carter, University of Maryland-College Park
- 81. TRANSCRIPTIONAL CONTROL OF ALKALOID BIOSYNTHESIS BY METHYL JASMONATE IN CATHARANTHUS ROSEUS HAIRY ROOT CULTURES Carolyn W.T. Lee-Parsons, Northeastern University
- 82. **ZEA MAYS IRS1563: A COMPREHENSIVE GENOME SCALE MODEL OF MAIZE METABOLISM** Costas Maranas, The Pennsylvania State University
- 83. ENGINEERING A GENETIC OSCILLATOR Lianhong Sun, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- 84. DEVELOPMENT OF A NOVEL HISTONE-BASED REAGENT TO INCREASE RETROVIRAL TRANSDUCTION BASED ON AN ANALYSIS OF CELL LYSATE EFFECTS Pascal R Beauchesne, University of British Columbia
- 85. MOTIF-GRAFTED, CONFORMATION-SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES FOR SELECTIVELY TARGETING TOXIC MISFOLDED PROTEINS Peter M. Tessier, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- 86. A RADICAL VIEW OF HEMOGLOBIN IS NEEDED TO DEVELOP AND DESIGN BLOOD SUBSTITUTES Leif Bulow, Lund university
- 87. **MULTIPARAMETER, MOLECULAR, ANALYSIS OF CIRCULATING TUMOR CELLS** Jeffrey Chalmers, The Ohio State University

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

Poster List

- 88. ANALYSIS AND INHIBITION OF AMYLOID-BETA PROTEIN AGGREGATION AT A BIOLOGICAL INTERFACE: A QUARTZ CRYSTAL MICROBALANCE STUDY Joseph Kotarek, University of South Carolina
- 89. **ENGINEERING THERAPEUTIC BACTERIA TO TREAT SOLID TUMORS** Neil Forbes, University of Massachusetts
- 90. SELECTION OF NOVEL CELL PENETRATING PEPTIDES USING PLASMID DISPLAY Scott Banta, Columbia University
- 91. **METABOLIC ENGINEERING TO POTENTIATE IMMUNITY** Mark P. Brynildsen, Princeton University
- 92. FROM BIOCHEMICAL PATHWAY ELUCIDATION TO METABOLIC ENGINEERING OF ANTIMICROBIAL MELLEOLIDES Stefan Jennewein, Fraunhofer Institut für Molekularbiologie und Angewandte Ökologie
- 93. **PROTEIN SWITCHES FOR CANCER-ACTIVATED ENZYME PRODRUG THERAPY** R. Clay Wright, Johns Hopkins University
- 94. **DESIGNER ANTIBODIES FOR NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASE RESEARCH AND THERAPY** David Colby, University of Delaware
- 95. ENGINEERING HEPATOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR FRAGMENTS WITH HIGH STABILITY AND ACTIVITY AS MET RECEPTOR AGONISTS AND ANTAGONISTS Jennifer R. Cochran, Stanford University
- 96. A STEM-CELL DERIVED HUMAN BLOOD-BRAIN BARRIER MODEL Sean Palecek, University of Wisconsin
- 97. BONE MARROW NICHE-INSPIRED, MULTI-PHASE PRODUCTION OF HIGH-PLOIDY MEGAKARYOCYTIC CELLS FROM MOBILIZED PERIPHERAL BLOOD CD34+ CELLS IN CULTURE William M. Miller, Northwestern University
- 98. ANALYZING PERTUSSIS TOXIN PROTECTIVE IMMUNITY TO GUIDE SUB-UNIT VACCINE DESIGN Jennifer Maynard, University of Texas at Austin
- 99. CALCIUM PHOSPHATE NANOPARTICLES MINERALIZED WITH E. COLI THIOREDOXIN DERIVATIVES

David Chiu, University of Washington

Biochemical and Molecular Engineering XVII Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

- 100. AGGREGATE FORMATION DURING BIOCONJUGATE PROCESSING Brandi R. Osborne, Pfizer
- 101. MAB HARVEST DEVELOPMENT: IS AFFINITY CHROMATOGRAPHY THE GREAT EQUALIZER? Bruno F. Marques, GlaxoSmithKline
- 102. WHAT ARE THE FERMENTATION CONDITIONS IN SHAKEN BIOREACTORS? Tibor Anderlei, Adolf Kühner AG
- 103. **CORNEAL EPITHELIAL STEM CELL CULTURE'S JOURNEY TO WIDESPREAD ADOPTION** Lucy Foley, Newcastle University
- 104. INTEGRATED RECIRCULATING FOAM FRACTIONATION FOR THE RECOVERY OF BIOSURFACTANT FROM FERMENTERS Peter J Martin, The University of Manchester
- 105. **PUT OMICS TOOLS TO WORK: IMPROVEMENT OF CHEMICALLY-DEFINED CELL CULTURE PERFORMANCE** Min Wang, Abbott Bioresearch Center
- 106. **A KINETIC-METABOLIC MODEL DESCRIBING CHO CELLS' BEHAVIOUR** Atefeh Ghorbaniaghdam, Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal
- 107. MOLECULAR PROFILING OF A BHK CELL BASED PERFUSION CULTURE PROCESS USING GENOME-SCALE TECHNOLOGIES Karthik P. Jayapal, Bayer HealthCare
- 108. THE DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF A RATIONAL DESIGN FOR THE RAPID EVALUATION AND OPTIMIZATION OF ANIMAL COMPONENT FREE MEDIA FORMULATIONS – A METHODICAL APPROACH Abdulmonem Murayyan, University of Guelph
- 109. HIGH THROUGHPUT VS RATIONAL APPROACHES TO TRANSLATING OMICS DATA INTO IMPROVED CELL LINES Susan T. Sharfstein, University at Albany
- 110. GC-MS METABOLOMICS FOR QUANTIFYING CHANGES IN MAMMALIAN CELL PHYSIOLOGY DUE TO CULTURE CONDITION CHANGES DURING DESIGN SPACE STUDIES Chetan Goudar, Bayer HealthCare

Emerging Frontiers

June 26-30, 2011 Seattle, Washington, USA

- 111. TOOLS FOR MAMMALIAN CELL ENGINEERING: A GENETIC TACHOMETER AND CONSTITUTIVE LIBRARY PROMOTER Clifford L. Wang, Stanford University
- 112. **A NOVEL microRNA MMU-MIR-466H AFFECTS APOPTOSIS REGULATION IN CHO CELL** Aliaksandr Druz, Biotech Lab NIDDK/NIH, John Hopkins University
- 113. IMPROVEMENT OF MAMMAL-FREE MEDIUM USING PLANT-DERIVED POLYSACCHARIDE, SILK PROTEIN SERICIN AND LOW MOLECULES Satoshi Terada, University of Fukui
- 114. CHO DG44 AND CHO-S HAVE DIFFERENT MEDIUM REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL SINGLE CELL CLONING Prasad D.K. Dhulipala, Life Technologies Corporation
- 115. EXPRESSION DOSE-RESPONSE CURVES THROUGH SHOTGUN DEPLOYMENT OF A SYNTHETIC PROMOTER LIBRARY (*This poster has been withdrawn*) Clifford L. Wang, Stanford University
- 116. BOOSTING PRODUCT TITER AND SPEEDING UP PROCESS DEVELOPMENT BY UPSTREAM PROCESS INTENSIFICATION OF MULTIPLE MAMMALIAN CELL LINES Marijana Golubovic, DSM Biologics
- 117. ENHANCED PRODUCTIVITY IN PLANT CELL CULTURE BASED ON AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO UNDERSTAND AND CONTROL CELL AGGREGATION Martin E. Kolewe, University of Massachusetts
- 118. DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL SCALE HIGH-THROUGHPUT BIOREACTORS AND IMPLEMENTATION INTO PROCESS DEVELOPMENT: DoE AND SCALE-UP/SCALE DOWN Tiffany D Rau, Pall Corporation and Sanofi- Pasteur
- 119. CHO SYSTEMS BIOTECHNOLOGY APPROACHES FOR RATIONAL BIOPHARMACEUTICAL PROCESS DEVELOPMENT Jochen Schaub, Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma GmbH & Co.KG
- 120. MOLECULAR AND PROCESS DESIGN FOR ROTAVIRUS-LIKE PARTICLE PRODUCTION IN SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE William A. Rodríguez-Limas, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de México

Engineering Conferences International

Engineering Conferences International (ECI) is a not-for-profit global engineering conferences program that has served the engineering/scientific community since 1962 as successor program to Engineering Foundation Conferences. ECI has received recognition as a 501(c)3 organization by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and is incorporated in the State of New York as a not-for-profit corporation.

The program has been developed and is overseen by volunteers both on the international Board of Directors and international Conferences Committee. More than 1,400 conferences have taken place to date. The conferences program is administered by a professional staff and the conferences are designed to be self-supporting.

ECI Mission

To serve the engineering/scientific community with international, interdisciplinary, leading edge engineering research conferences

ECI Purposes

The advancement of engineering arts and sciences by providing a forum for the discussion of advances in the field of science and engineering for the good of mankind by identification and administration of international interdisciplinary conferences

To work with engineering, scientific and social science societies and the interested general public to jointly sponsor conferences and to take other actions that will foster complementary programming.

To initiate conferences that will have a significant impact on engineering education, research practice and/or development.

ECI Encouragement of New Conference Topics

The ECI Conferences Committee invites you to suggest topics and leaders for additional conferences and encourages you to submit a proposal for an ECI conference.

Ideally, proposals should be submitted from 18 to 24 months in advance of the conference although the staff can work on a shorter timeline.

The traditional format for an ECI conference is registration Sunday afternoon with technical sessions held each morning and evening through Thursday or Friday noon. Afternoons are used for informal gatherings, poster sessions, field trips, subgroup meetings and relaxation. This format has served well to build important professional networks in many areas.

ECI welcomes proposals for shorter conferences and for conferences which span weekends in order to reduce the number of working days participants are away from their offices.

ECI Works With You

ECI works with conference chairs in two complementary ways. First, an experienced member of the Conferences Committee acts as your technical liaison from the proposal stage through the conference itself. He or she is always available to consult with you on any conference issue.

Second, after your proposal has been approved by the Conferences Committee, the ECI staff will assume responsibility for the administration of the conference.

Your primary responsibilities will be recruiting the organizing committee, developing the technical program and securing third-party funding necessary to support the travel of key speakers.

The responsibilities of ECI's "full service" staff include -- but are not limited to -- the following:

- Recommend, negotiate, contract and make substantial deposits for housing, meals, meeting space, A/V equipment and tours.
- Maintain web sites for the conference and for submission of abstracts.
- Publicize via electronic and print media.
- Administer all finances including grants, contributions and purchase orders. (ECI makes grant funds available as soon as a grant is approved.) There is no need for chairs to set up a conference bank account or file tax returns for their conference.
- Process all applications and registrations.
- Produce bound program/abstracts book.
- Contract for the publication of print or electronic proceedings, if any.
- Provide on-site staff during the conference.

For more information, please contact the ECI Director at Barbara@engconfintl.org