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# **BIOCHEMICAL AND MOLECULAR ENGINEERING XXII: THE DAWN OF A NEW ERA**

June 26 - 30, 2022

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**June 16-20, 2013**

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**July 16-20, 2017**

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**July 14-18, 2019**

**Mont Tremblant, Quebec, Canada**

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## Robert M. Kelly to receive the Amgen Biochemical and Molecular Engineering Award



The **Amgen Award** (supported by Amgen, Inc., Thousand Oaks, CA, a leading biotechnology company with pioneering human therapeutic products) is given in memory of **James E. Bailey** to recognize research excellence and leadership in Biochemical and Molecular Engineering. An award of \$5000 cash and a commemorative plaque from Amgen will be presented at the ECI Conference on Biochemical and Molecular Engineering in Cancun, Mexico.

The 2022 awardee is **Robert M. Kelly**.

Robert M. Kelly is the Alcoa Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at North Carolina State University and Director of the NC State Biotechnology (BIT) Program which trains over 400 students a year in molecular biotechnology laboratory skills. He obtained his B.S. and M.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Virginia. After working at DuPont's Marshall Laboratory in Philadelphia, PA, he moved to North Carolina State University, where he completed his Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering while serving as Process Engineer for the EPA Coal Gasification/Gas Cleaning Test Facility. After a decade at Johns Hopkins University as a faculty member in Chemical Engineering, he returned to North Carolina State University in 1992. At NC State, Kelly has served as Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies from 2000-02 and has directed an NIH T32 Biotechnology Pre-Doctoral Training Program since 2000. He was part of the founding Scientific Advisory Board of Diversa Corporation, which became a publicly traded (NASDAQ) biotechnology company that focused on the discovery of novel enzymes from extremophiles.

Dr. Kelly's research interests center on the biology and biotechnology of extremely thermophilic microorganisms from the domains Bacteria and Archaea. His work on extreme thermophiles has focused on biocatalysis and protein stability at high temperatures, novel features of microbial physiology and genetics at elevated temperatures, heavy metal biotransformations related to



biomining, and the search for life on other solar bodies (astrobiology). In the past decade, molecular genetic tools for these microorganisms have become available, thus enabling metabolic engineering efforts aimed at the production of bio-based fuels and chemicals from native and transgenic lignocellulose and through CO<sub>2</sub> fixation powered by sulfur oxidation.

Among the honors that he has received are the American Chemical Society's Marvin Johnson Award in Biochemical Technology (2004), the American Institute of Chemical Engineering's Food, Pharmaceutical and Bioengineering Award (2007), the American Society for Microbiology's DuPont Biosciences Award in Applied and Environmental Microbiology (shared with Michael W.W. Adams, University of Georgia) (2018), and the Lifetime Achievement Award, International Society for Extremophiles (2018). At NC State, he has received the RJR Award in the College of Engineering for Excellence in Teaching, Research, and Extension, NC State University (2003), and the Holladay Medal (2021), the highest distinction awarded to a faculty member by the University's Board of Trustees. He is an elected Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and the American Institute of Medical and Biological Engineers. His service to the scientific community includes chairing the AIChE Food Pharmaceutical and Bioengineering Division (1996) and as Editor of the American Society for Microbiology journal *Applied and Environmental Microbiology* (2012-2022).

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## **Locations and Notes**

- *Technical and poster sessions will be in the Grand Coral Ballroom.*
- *Private conference dinners on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights will be on the Sunset Terrace.*
- *We will have a private conference lunch on Tuesday in the Grand Coral Ballroom Foyer.*
- *The gala dinner on Wednesday will be in the Grand Coral Ballroom.*
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**Sunday, June 26, 2022**

- 11:30 – 14:00 Lunch
- 13:00 – 18:00 Conference Check-in
- 14:45 – 15:00 Welcome and conference overview  
Conference co-chairs
- 15:00 **Session 1: Innovations in medicine**  
Session Chairs: **Peyton Greenside, BigHatBio, USA**  
**Peter Tessier, University of Michigan, USA**
- 15:00 – 15:30 Invited Talk  
**Innovations in vaccine development utilizing an mRNA platform**  
Sumana Chandramouli, Moderna Tx, USA
- 15:30 – 16:00 **High throughput quality control assays to support RNA vaccine manufacturing**  
Karen Polizzi, Imperial College London, United Kingdom
- 16:00 – 16:30 **Creating a niche for live biotherapeutics by expanding the privilege of prebiotic compounds**  
Thomas Mansell, Iowa State University, USA
- 16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break
- 17:00 – 17:30 Invited Talk  
**Advancing therapeutics by reprogramming cells to direct cell fate outcomes**  
Tara Deans, University of Utah, USA
- 17:30 – 18:00 Invited Talk  
**Engineering targeted drug delivery**  
Debra Auguste, Northeastern University, USA
- 18:00 – 18:45 **Rapid-fire Poster Talks 1**  
Chairs: **Karen Polizzi, Imperial College London, United Kingdom**  
**Mark Blenner, University of Delaware, USA**
- 18:45 – 19:00 Stretch break
- 19:00 – 20:00 **Keynote Speaker I**  
**Realizing the Promise of CRISPR Genome Editing for Therapeutics Development**  
Kristy Wood, Intellia Tx, USA
- 20:00 – 21:30 Dinner (Private conference meal)

**Monday, June 27, 2022**

07:00 – 09:00 Breakfast Buffet

**Session 2: Accelerating therapeutics time to market and new therapeutics**

***Sponsored by Pfizer***

Session Chairs: **Thomas Mansell, Iowa State University, USA**  
**Sumana Chandramouli, Moderna Tx, USA**

09:00 – 09:30 Invited Talk  
**Development of a pseudovirus-based assay to measure neutralizing antibodies in Mexico: Proof-of-concept with SARS-CoV-2**  
Marion Brunck, Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico

09:30 – 10:00 **Saturated fatty acids are involved in DNA damage response, mediated by IRE1alpha, to promote chemotolerance**  
Christina Chan, Michigan State University, USA

10:00 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:15 **Precision library generation and functional screening for highly efficient antibody discovery**  
Brandon DeKosky, MIT, USA

11:15 – 11:45 **SOLUPRO® *E. coli* as a high-performance chassis for drug discovery and scalable production of protein therapeutics**  
Matthew Blankschien, Absci, USA

11:45 – 14:00 Lunch

**Session 3: Machine learning-guided design and automation**

Session Chairs: **Claudia Vickers, Eden Brew, Australia**  
**Costas Maranas, Pennsylvania State University, USA**

14:00 – 14:30 **Pareto optimal antibody engineering using machine learning models that generalize to novel mutational space**  
Peter Tessier, University of Michigan, USA

14:30 – 15:00 Invited Talk  
**Rapid machine learning-guided design and optimization of next-generation therapeutic antibodies with automated synthetic biology**  
Peyton Greenside, BigHatBio, USA

15:00 – 15:30 Invited Talk  
**A Self-driving Biofoundry for Biosystems Design**  
Huimin Zhao, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA

15:30 – 16:15 Coffee Break

16:15 – 16:45 Invited Talk  
**Protein engineering at scale: Machine learning case studies**  
Erin Shellman, Ginkgo, USA

16:45 – 17:15 **Machine learning techniques for dynamical studies of metabolism**  
Ljubisa Miskovic, EPFL, Switzerland

**Monday, June 27, 2022 (continued)**

- 17:15 – 17:45           Invited Talk  
**Opportunities and challenges for machine learning and AI in synthetic biology**  
Dmitry Grapov, Amyris, USA
- 17:45 – 18:45           **Panel/Workshop 1**  
**Machine learning-guided design and automation**  
Moderator: Huimin Zhao, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA  
Panelists: Peyton Greenside, Erin Shellman, Victor Holmes
- 18:45 – 20:30           Dinner (Private conference meal)
- 20:30 – 22:30           **Poster Session 1 (Authors of odd numbered posters are asked to stay with their presentations)**  
***Sponsored by Infinome Biosciences***  
Poster Chairs: **Karen Polizzi, Imperial College London, United Kingdom**  
**Mark Blenner, University of Delaware, USA**

**Tuesday, June 28, 2022**

07:00 – 08:30 Breakfast Buffet

**Session 4: Microbiome Engineering**

Session Chairs: **Kevin Solomon, University of Delaware, USA**  
**Danielle Tullman-Ercek, Northwestern University, USA**

08:30 – 09:00 Invited Talk  
**From trash to treasure: Bioprospecting nature's microbial communities for biotechnology**  
Michelle O'Malley, University of California-Santa Barbara, USA

09:00 – 09:30 **Programming gene expression in multicellular organisms for physiology modulation through engineered bacteria**  
Qing Sun, Texas A&M University, USA

09:30 – 10:00 **Redox-linked synthetic biology and electrogenetics opens lines of communication for organizing consortia**  
Bill Bentley, University of Maryland, USA

10:00 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 11:15 **Fungal highways enable migration and communication of engineered bacteria in soil**  
Eric Young, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, USA

11:15 – 11:45 **Production of anticancer drug taxol intermediaries using microbial consortia under a continuous flow system**  
Leonardo Rios-Solis, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom

11:45 – 12:15 **Challenges and opportunities in the mathematical modeling and computational design of microbial communities**  
Vassily Hatzimanikatis, EPFL, Switzerland

12:15 – 14:00 Lunch (Private conference meal)

14:00 – 14:45 **BME Young Investigator Award Lecture**  
**Discovery, domestication, and engineering of diverse microbes for a circular economy**  
Mark Blenner, University of Delaware, USA

**Session 5: Gene editing / Evolution meets engineering design**

Chairs: **Marion Brunck, Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico**  
**Eric Young, WPI, USA**

14:45 – 15:15 Invited Talk  
**Prokaryotic argonauts and the quest for more flexible gene editing technologies**  
Kevin Solomon, University of Delaware, USA

15:15 – 15:45 **Rapid biosensor development from repurposed plant hormone receptors**  
Timothy Whitehead, University of Colorado, USA



**Tuesday, June 28, 2022 (continued)**

- 15:45 – 16:15      **Engineering Enzymes to Produce High Purity Synthetic DNA**  
Zhe Rui, Codexis, USA
- 16:15 – 17:00      Coffee Break
- 17:00 – 17:30      **Decoding antisense evolution to enhance and guide metabolic engineering**  
Ranjan Srivastava, University of Connecticut, USA
- 17:30 – 18:00      **Enzyme engineering: Highlights from rational design**  
Alexandra Pires Carvalho, Almac Sciences, United Kingdom
- 18:00 – 19:00      **Rapid-fire Poster Talks 2**  
Chairs: **Karen Polizzi, Imperial College London, United Kingdom**  
**Mark Blenner, University of Delaware, USA**
- 19:00 – 20:30      Dinner (Private conference meal)
- 20:30 – 22:00      **Poster Session 2 (Authors of even numbered posters are asked to stay with their presentations)**  
***Sponsored by LanzaTech***  
Poster Chairs: **Karen Polizzi, Imperial College London, United Kingdom**  
**Mark Blenner, University of Delaware, USA**

**Wednesday, June 29, 2022**

- 07:00 – 08:30 Breakfast Buffet
- Session 6: Carbon-negative manufacturing**  
Session Chairs: **Michelle O'Malley, University of California-Santa Barbara, USA**  
**Dmitry Grapov, Amyris, USA**
- 08:30 – 09:00 Invited Talk  
**The Carbon Revolution: Scaling circularity to replace fossil oil**  
Séan Simpson, LanzaTech, USA
- 09:00 – 09:30 **Systems metabolic engineering for carbon recycling**  
Esteban Marcellin, University of Queensland, Australia
- 09:30 – 10:00 **Faster growth enhances low carbon fuel and chemical production through gas fermentation**  
Kaspar Valgepea, University of Tartu, Sweden
- 10:00 – 10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45 – 11:15 **Model-based engineering of *Escherichia coli* for net-zero emission butane production**  
Radhakrishnan Mahadevan, University of Toronto, Canada
- 11:15 – 11:45 **Developing a novel microbial host and synthetic biology tools for valorizing waste polyethylene terephthalate and lignin-derived compounds**  
Tae Seok Moon, Washington University in St. Louis, USA
- 11:45 – 12:15 **Cell-free engineering approaches to enable carbon-negative manufacturing**  
Ashty Karim, Northwestern University, USA
- 12:15 – 13:15 **Panel/Workshop 2: Moving beyond the bench - translation to biotech**  
Moderator: Kristala Prather, MIT  
Panelists: Séan Simpson, Claudia Vickers, Jay Keasling
- 13:15 – 18:00 Lunch followed by time for networking or excursions (TBA)
- 18:00 – 19:00 **Amgen Award Lecture (Virtual)**  
**Going to extremes: Life in boiling water, hot acid, and (probably) on other solar bodies**  
Robert Kelly, North Carolina State University, USA
- 19:00 – 20:00 Award reception
- 20:00 – 22:30 Gala Dinner (Private conference meal)

**Thursday, June 30, 2022**

- 07:00 – 08:30 Breakfast Buffet
- 08:30 – 09:30 **Keynote 2**  
**Production of monoterpene indole alkaloids in yeast**  
Jay Keasling, University of California, USA
- Session 7: Sustainability and nutrition**  
Session Chairs: **Christina Chan, Michigan State University, USA**  
**Séan Simpson, LanzaTech, USA**
- 09:30 – 10:00 Invited Talk  
**Cell-free technologies for targeted therapeutics and carbon-negative commodity**  
James Swartz, Stanford University, USA
- 10:00 – 10:30 Invited Talk  
**Cool synbio tools for metabolic engineering and sustainable biomanufacturing**  
Claudia Vickers, Queensland University of Technology & Eden Brew, Australia
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00 – 11:30 **Development of a novel membrane-less ATP regeneration cascade using reversible NAD Kinase enzymes from bird or cat liver**  
Scott Banta, Columbia University, USA
- 11:30 – 12:00 Invited Talk  
**Designing with nanoscale building blocks: Engineering self-assembling protein superstructures for applications in sustainable biomanufacturing**  
Danielle Tullman-Ercek, Northwestern University, USA
- 12:00 – 12:30 Invited Talk  
**Engineering *Pichia pastoris* to make the Impossible Burger possible**  
Huan Yan, Impossible Foods, USA
- 12:30 Lunch and Departures

## **Poster Presentations**

1. **Glucose transport engineering allows mimicking fed-batch performance in batch mode and selection of superior producer strains**  
Alvaro R. Lara, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Mexico
2. **ATLASx and ARBRE: New computational tools for biosynthetic pathway prediction**  
Anastasia Sveshnikova, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
3. **Prediction of strategies for integration of computationally designed biosynthetic pathways into industrial host organisms**  
Anastasia Sveshnikova, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
4. **Community science designed ribosomes with beneficial phenotypes**  
Antje Kruger, Northwestern University, USA
5. **A computational framework to explore the kinetic and thermodynamic landscape of optimal enzyme utilization**  
Asli Sahin, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
6. **A computational workflow to reconstruct interaction networks in microbial communities**  
Asli Sahin, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
7. **High-throughput screening of gas fermenting microorganism by combining 3D printing and an open-source programmable microcontroller**  
Axayacatl Gonzalez, The University of Queensland, Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology, Australia
8. **Enhancing cell-free production of complex proteins and biomaterials**  
Caleb Lay, Northwestern University, USA
9. **Co-expression of thermostable pectinases for cost-effective pectin bioconversion**  
Carol Nathali Flores Fernandez, University College London, United Kingdom
10. **A high-throughput screen of protein-protein interactions responsible for proper bacterial microcompartment formation**  
Carolyn Mills, Northwestern University, USA
11. **Methylation as an important epigenetic factor in the heterogeneity of CHO cell subclones producing a recombinant MAb**  
César Coria, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Instituto de Biotecnología, Mexico
12. **Computational engineering of transcription factor biosensor specificity for metabolic pathway optimization**  
Chester Pham, University of Toronto, Canada
13. **Using machine learning approaches to estimate novel substrate activity and kinetic parameters of enzymes**  
Costas Maranas, The Pennsylvania State University, USA
14. **Life in hot acid: Exploring key thermoacidophile mechanisms for biomining through comparative genomics and phenotyping**  
Daniel Willard, North Carolina State University, USA

15. **Developing cell-free workflows for lasso peptide biodiscovery**  
Derek Wong, Northwestern University, USA
16. **Development of a high-throughput assay to discover PET-biodegrading microbes and microbial consortia**  
Erica Gardner, University of Michigan, USA
17. **in silico Analysis and comparison of the metabolic capabilities of different organisms by reducing metabolic complexity**  
Evangelia Vayena, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
18. **Optimisation of a CRISPR-Cas9 deletion screen for the identification of essential genomic targets in CHO cells**  
Federico De Marco, Austrian Centre of Industrial Biotechnology, Austria
19. **Single-cell RNA sequencing: Characterization of high-producer and non-producer CHO cells**  
Giulia Borsi, BOKU, Austria
20. **Building a synthetic formate assimilation pathway for carbon-negative cell-free biomanufacturing**  
Grant Landwehr, Northwestern University, USA
21. **Engineering cell-free biosensors for water quality diagnostics**  
Holly Ekas, Northwestern University, USA
22. **Functional assessment of three global regulons for Hemicellulose utilization in the extreme Thermophile Caldicellulosiruptor bescii**  
James Crosby, North Carolina State University, USA
23. **Engineering glycosyltransferases to manufacture non-toxic antifungals**  
Jonathan Bogart, Northwestern University, USA
24. **Syntrophic cocultures of Clostridium organisms to produce isopropanol and C6-C8 alcohols and carboxylic acids**  
Jonathan Otten, University of Delaware, USA
25. **Towards the rational engineering and directed evolution of chloroalkane dehalogenases to manipulate substrate preferences**  
Katherine Picott, University of Toronto, Canada
26. **A low-cost, thermostable, cell-free protein synthesis platform for on-demand production of glycoconjugate vaccines**  
Katherine Warfel, Northwestern University, USA
27. **Simplified methods for orthogonal tRNA expression in cell-free systems for protein engineering**  
Kosuke Seki, Northwestern University, USA
28. **Emerging microbial patterns under fluid flow conditions**  
Liliana Angeles Martinez, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
29. **Development of a cell-free platform for point of care synthesis of peptide hormones**  
Madison DeWinter, Northwestern University, USA

30. **SLAM-Seq reveals early transcriptomic adaptation mechanisms upon glutamine deprivation in Chinese Hamster Ovary cells**  
Maja Papež, ACIB GmbH, Austria
31. **Systems biology approaches to investigate the metabolic mechanisms underlying cancer**  
Maria Masid, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
32. **Understanding fungal cell wall stress response using a multiomics approach**  
Mark Marten, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, USA
33. **Engineering E. coli for the utilization of CO<sub>2</sub>-derived ethylene glycol for bioproduction**  
Michelle Feigis, University of Toronto, Canada
34. **Capturing the plasmid metabolic burden using metabolic and expression models (ME-models)**  
Omid Oftadeh, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
35. **Systems metabolic engineering and bioprocess engineering strategies for 3-hydroxypropionic acid production in Pichia pastoris**  
Pau Ferrer, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain
36. **Accurate prediction of mRNA degradation at nucleotide resolution with deep learning**  
Qing Sun, Texas A&M, USA
37. **Engineering a novel Pichia pastoris cell-free protein synthesis platform for vaccine production**  
Rochelle Aw, Northwestern University, USA
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39. **Multiplexable SARS-CoV-2 detection by CRISPR-Cas9-mediated strand displacement**  
Rosa Marquez-Costa, CSIC, Spain
40. **CRISPR-Mediated strand displacement logic circuits with toehold- Free DNA**  
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41. **Repurposing the mammalian RNA-binding protein Musashi-1 as an allosteric translation repressor in bacteria**  
Roswitha Dolcemascolo, CSIC, Spain
42. **Advantages of extreme thermophily in plant biomass fermentation: Contamination resistance and novel product separations**  
Ryan Bing, North Carolina State University, USA
43. **PgIB mutagenesis towards the development of shigella glycoconjugate vaccines**  
Sarah Sobol, Northwestern University, USA
44. **Dicovering transcription factor promoters for portable, on-demand diagnostics**  
Steven Fleming, Northwestern University, USA

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