

Montana Biofilm S&T Meeting AGENDA: February 8-9, 2011

Center for Biofilm Engineering

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Monday February 7

6:00–8:30 p.m. Pre-registration and welcome reception Hilton Garden Inn, Bozeman

Tuesday February 8

7:30–8:00 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast Hilton Garden Inn reception area

8:00–8:10 Introductory remarks Larkspur Ballroom Paul Sturman, CBE Industrial Coordinator Harsh Trivedi, TAC Chair, Colgate-Palmolive Phil Stewart, CBE Director

SESSION 1: Novel Antimicrobials

8:10–8:15 Session introduction Phil Stewart, CBE Director

8:15–8:45 Next-gen antimicrobial strategies enabled by synthetic biology Michael Koeris, President, Novophage Therapeutics, Inc.

8:45–9:15 Surface active systems afford insights for biofilm control agents Joe Sauer, Senior R&D Advisor,

The Albemarle Corporation

9:15–9:45 Research and development of antimicrobial coatings using combinatorial/high-throughput methods

Bret Chisholm, Senior Research Scientist, Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering; Director, Combinatorial Materials Research Laboratory, NDSU 10:15–10:45 Antibacterial properties of cold electrically generated plasma and of plasma treated materials

Gary Friedman, Professor, School of Biomedical Engineering, Drexel University

10:45–11:10 The surprising biological activity of volatile organic compounds from *Muscodor* spp. Gary Strobel, Professor Emeritus, Plant Sciences and Plant

SESSION 2: Biofilm Methods

Pathology, MSU

11:10–11:35 Chlorine and chlorine dioxide: Comparing the disinfection of detached biofilm particles Sabrina Behnke, PhD candidate, Microbiology, CBE

11:35–12:00 Update on the validation of a biofilm disinfectant efficacy test Darla Goeres, Assistant Research Professor, CBE

12:00–1:00 Lunch catered at the Hilton Garden Inn

<u>SESSION 3:</u> Energy Related Biofilms

1:00–1:10 Session introduction

Al Cunningham, Professor, Civil Engineering

1:10–1:25 MSU energy research Lee Spangler, Associate Professor, Chemistry & Biochemistry, MSU

1:25-1:50

Characterization of algal triacylglycerol accumulation for biodiesel production

Brent Peyton, Professor, Chemical and Biological Engineering, CBE

1:50-2:15

Ascocoryne sarcoides: Exploration of potential fuel production Natasha Mallette, PhD candidate,

Chemical & Biological Engineering, CBE

2:15–2:40 Utility of biofilms and biologically induced mineralization in geologic carbon sequestration

Robin Gerlach, Associate Professor, Chemical & Biological Engineering, CBE

Poster Session & Laboratory Open House

3:20–5:20 CBE Laboratories, 3rd Floor EPS Building, MSU

Wednesday February 9

7:30–8:00 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast Hilton Garden Inn reception area

SESSION 4: Biofilm Imaging/ Microscopy

8:00–8:25 Optical microscopy of biofilms: The pursuit of more relevant imaging conditions Betsey Pitts, Research Associate

Betsey Pitts, Research Associate and Microscope Facilities Manager

8:25–8:50 Nanoscale manipulation by immunoimmobilization of *living* bacteria

Recep Avci, Director of Imaging and Chemical Analysis Laboratory (ICAL) and Research Professor, Physics, MSU

8:50-9:20

In situ measurement of biofilm activity by FISH: Implications for the therapy of infective endocarditis

Judith Schmiedel, Institute for Microbiology and Hygiene, Charité University Hospital, Berlin

<u>SESSION 5:</u> Healthcare Related Biofilms

9:20–9:50 In vitro and in vivo testing of antimicrobial central venous catheters

Garth James, CBE Medical Biofilm Laboratory Manager

9:50-10:20 Break

10:20-10:50

Bacterial inter-species interactions in multi-species biofilm communities

Alex Rickard, Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, University of Michigan

10:50–11:20 Urinary conditioning film components—A new target for preventing bacterial biofilm formation on urinary devices

Dirk Lange, The Stone Centre at Vancouver General Hospital, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

11:20–11:50 SaeR/S mediates pathogenesis in Staphylococcus aureus

Tyler Nygaard, Postdoctoral Researcher, Veterinary Molecular Biology, MSU

11:50–12:00 Meeting Wrap up See you at the NEXT MEETING: July 12–14, 2011