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Symposium SB09: Genetically-Encoded and Bioinspired Materials Science

Living cells exhibit exquisite control over their molecular networks to detect environmental changes and to execute sophisticated commands. Bio-inspired or bio-integrated engineering of these cellular processes have enabled new avenues to manipulate the form and function of cells and tissue both ex vivo and in vivo. In this symposium, we will actively discuss how the convergence of materials science, synthetic biology, and bioengineering has facilitated the evolution of biomaterials from passive scaffolds to dynamic systems. We will focus on the materials design of genetically-encoded and biomolecular materials and their application in understanding living systems as well as in the development of new treatment concepts and therapeutics.

This symposium will be devoted to both fundamental research and applications of genetically-encoded materials grouped into the following themes: tissue engineering, nanomedicine and bioelectronics. In the first theme on tissue engineering, we will cover topics on bioactive hydrogels, cellular bioprinting, and other materials approaches that incorporate biological matter and/or genetic engineering to assemble complex microenvironments for tissue modeling and regeneration. In the second theme on nanomedicine, we will focus on the molecular assembly of biomolecular (e.g. nucleic acids and proteins), nanoscale (e.g. viruses and exosomes) and cellular material to enable new therapeutic approaches. Finally, the bioelectronics theme will explore topics that include redox and conductive biomolecules as well as genetically-encoded reporters and actuators of cellular activity. This symposium will highlight multidisciplinary efforts to advance biomaterials research towards new approaches and solutions for precision medicine.

Topics will include:

- Tissue engineering
- · In situ tissue chemistry
- · Organoids, spheroids and multicellular assembly
- Biomolecular self-assembly
- · Nanomaterial-cellular interface
- · Biorthogonal chemistry
- Supramolecular chemistry
- Bioelectronics
- Nanomedicine
- Synthetic Biology

Invited speakers include:

Daniel Anderson	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA
Kristi Anseth	University of Colorado Boulder, USA
David Baker	University of Washington, USA
Zhenan Bao	Stanford University, USA
Warren Chan	University of Toronto, Canada
Bianxiao Cui	Stanford University, USA
Cole Deforest	University of Washington, USA
Paula Hammond	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA
Yamuna Krishnan	University of Chicago, USA
Jennifer Lewis	Harvard, USA
Jia Liu	Harvard University, USA

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Nikhil Malvankar	Yale University, USA
Chad Mirkin	Northwestern, USA
Adrianne Rosales	University of Texas Austin, USA
Tatiana Seguar	Duke, USA
Mikhail Shapiro	California Institute of Technology, USA
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