

BioProNET2 11th Annual Science Meeting, October 8th-9th 2024 GSK, Gunnels Wood Road, Stevenage

DAY 1 - OCTOBER 8th

11:00-12:30 Early Careers Workshop: Organised by Valentina Faustinelli (UCL), Ankita Mishra (University of Kent), Matthew Reaney (University of Manchester), Ben Strain (Imperial College, London).

- Ben Haji (Abselion)
- Mark Stockdale (Asimov)
- Pavlos Kotidis (GSK)
- Amy Felgate (Chartwell Consultancy Group)
- Rachel Crossley (Aber Instruments)
- Hooman Hefzi (Danish Technical University)
- **Dan Gibson** (Cell and Gene Therapy Catapult)

12:30 - 13:00 - LUNCH

13:00 -14:35 - Session 1 - Biopocessing from novel systems to clinical GMP (Chair - Paul Dalby)

Welcome and Introduction to GSK – Robyn Emmins

13:05 – 13:30 Bridging the gap: next-generation manufacturing strategies for cell and gene therapies - *Kevin Vela (Cell and Gene Therapy Catapult)*

13:30 – 13:55 Short Oligonucleotides: 21st Century Alchemy – *Mark Cunningham (Nucleic Acid Therapy Accelerator, NATA)*

13:55 – 14:20 Manufacturing of Autologous HSC Gene Therapies - Vassilis Paraskevas (Orchard Therapeutics)

14:20 – 14:30 Use of the Gyros Gyrolab xP System to Support High-throughput AAV Sample Testing - Charlotte Corkhill (Pharmaron)

14:30 – 14:35 Introducing the winners of the Bioprocessing Entrepreneurial Skills Training (BEST) 2024.

14:35 -16:05 - POSTER SESSION & BREAK

16:05 -17:25 - Session 2 - Industry 5.0 (Chair – Alan Dickson)

16:05 – 16:30 Transforming Process Development with AI - From mAbs to Emerging Modalities - *Miguel Pupo (DataHow, Switzerland)*

16:30 – 16:55 Digital Transformation and Digital Twins: Prerequisites and Potentials - *Christoph Herwig (Koerber Pharma, Germany)*

16:55 – 17:05 Constraint-based modelling of CHO cells to propose high productivity metabolic signatures - *Kate Meeson (University of Manchester)*

17:05 – 17:15 Integrating industry leading datasets with Genome-scale metabolic models to direct CHO cell line engineering – Ben Strain (Imperial College London)

19:30 - 22:30 - Drinks reception & Conference Dinner (Cromwell Hotel, Stevenage)

DAY 2 - OCTOBER 9th

09:00-10:15 - Session 3 - Products/processes - predicting success (Chair - Bernie Sweeney)

09:05 – 09:30 Addressing the challenges of multi-specific expression - Sarah Dunn (AstraZeneca, UK)

09:30 – 09:55 OPENPichia: setting free protein biotech's yeast - Katrien Claes (VIB, University of Ghent)

09:55 –10:05 Chloroplast engineering in the green alga Chlamydomonas for production of novel recombinant products - Luyao Yang (UCL)

10:05 – 10:15 Deciphering molecular drivers of lactate metabolic shift in mammalian cell cultures - Mauro *Torres (University of Manchester)*

10:15-11:15 - POSTER SESSION & TEA/COFFEE BREAK

11:15 -12:25 – Session 4 – New formats & next generation products (Chair – Cleo Kontoravdi)

11:15 – 11:40 Synthetic genetic systems for next-generation biomedicine manufacturing - David James (University of Sheffield)

11:40 – 12:05 Sequence engineering for improved developability of mAbs - Zahra Rattray (University of Strathclyde)

12:05 – 12:15 Rationalising mAb candidate screening with a single holistic developability parameter – Leon Willis (University of Leeds)

12:15 – 12:25 Biomanufacturing and formulation of magnetosome cocktails for biomedical applications -Alfred Fernández-Castané (Aston University)

12:25 - 13:15 - ROUND TABLE SESSION: Handling the challenges for bioprocessing 2034

13:15 - 14:05 - POSTER SESSION & LUNCH BREAK

14:05-15:15 - Session 5 - Engineering Biology for Bioprocessing (Chair - Mark Smales)

14:05 – 14:15 Development of High Throughput Transfection Platform using Lonza's GS PiggyBac Transposase Technology – *Titash Sen (Lonza)*

14:15 – 14:25 Defining and Manipulating Cellular Mechanisms Underpinning DNA Transfection Efficiency to Enhance Transient Recombinant Protein Production – James Budge (University of Kent)

14:25 – 14:50 Sugars: sweet and simple – Rob Field (University of Manchester)

14:50 – 15:15 Combinatorial Design Testing in Yeast Genomes for Bioproduction - Tom Ellis (Imperial College)

Meeting closure and awards for best selected oral and poster presentations



















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