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Friday, July 15, 2022

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THE SPEAKER LINEUP



Dr. Fleur Ferguson
(UCSD)

"Interrogating the druggable proteome using proximity-mediated pharmacology"



Dr. Mark Tichenor
(Janssen)

"Discovery of JNJ-64264681, a potent and selective covalent BTK inhibitor"



Dr. Anil Gupta
(Calibr)

"Can we treat Hepatitis B via a single injection?"



Dr. Scott Hecker
(Qpex Biopharma)

"Discovery and Early Development of Xeruboractam (QPX7728), an Ultra-Broad-Spectrum Boronic Acid Inhibitor of Serine and Metallo Beta-Lactamases"

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**“Interrogating the druggable proteome using
proximity-mediated pharmacology”**

**Dr. Fleur Ferguson
(UCSD)**



ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

Fleur Ferguson received her M.Sc in chemistry from Imperial College London. She received her Ph.D in chemistry from the University of Cambridge, supervised by Prof. Chris Abell and Prof. Alessio Ciulli. She performed her postdoctoral research in the laboratory of Professor Nathanael S. Gray at Harvard Medical School and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry and the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at U.C. San Diego.

ABOUT THE LECTURE:

Not available

**“Discovery of JNJ-64264681, a potent and
selective covalent BTK inhibitor”**

**Dr. Mark Tichenor
(Janssen)**



ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

Mark Tichenor is a Senior Principal Scientist at Janssen Research & Development LLC, based in San Diego, CA, where he, leads a medicinal chemistry team working to discover small molecule drug candidates for immunology and oncology indications. He has 14 years of industry experience designing small molecule modulators of kinase, GPCR, serine hydrolase, and protein-protein interaction targets. He has expertise in diverse therapeutic strategies including oral systemic, GI-targeting, irreversible covalent and targeted protein degradation.

Prior to Janssen, he earned his Ph.D. in organic chemistry at The Scripps Research Institute under the mentorship of Professor Dale Boger studying organic chemistry and natural product synthesis.

ABOUT THE LECTURE:

Bruton's tyrosine kinase (BTK) is a Tec family kinase that plays an essential role in B-cell receptor (BCR) signaling as well as Fcγ receptor signaling in leukocytes. Pharmacological inhibition of BTK is effective in treating hematological malignancies and is hypothesized to provide an effective strategy for the treatment of autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis and systemic lupus erythematosus. This talk will discuss the discovery and preclinical properties of JNJ-64264681 a covalent, irreversible BTK inhibitor with potent whole blood activity and exceptional kinome selectivity. JNJ-64264681 demonstrated excellent oral efficacy in both, cancer and autoimmune models with sustained in vivo target coverage amenable to once-daily dosing and has advanced into human clinical studies to investigate safety and pharmacokinetics.

“Can we treat Hepatitis B via a single injection?”

**Dr. Anil Gupta
(Calibr)**



ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

Anil Gupta works as an Associate Director of Medicinal Chemistry at Calibr-Scripps Research. Gupta holds a Ph.D. in Synthetic Organic Chemistry from Michigan State University and two post-doctoral appointments at Cornell and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

ABOUT THE LECTURE:

Hepatitis B virus (HBV) is a hepatotropic virus that can establish persistent, chronic infection through immune anergy, affecting >250 million people globally. Current first-line therapies require lifelong, daily administration, making patients susceptible to missed treatments and disease relapse. As adherence to therapy is imperative to achieve and maintain viral suppression, a long-acting HBV therapy with minimal dosing requirements would significantly improve treatment outcomes. We applied our LAI platform to develop a LAI based on prodrugs of an approved NARTI i.e. Entecavir (ETV) to improve adherence and limit viral breakthrough and disease progression in patients with HBV. More than 30 prodrugs were synthesized and subjected to formulation development and subsequent rodent and non-rodent PK studies.

Calibr-series of ETV prodrugs provide sustained release of ETV after a single intramuscular (IM) injection. In vivo pharmacokinetic studies of the lead prodrug have shown lower C_{max} and favorable IM release relative to parent ETV for more than a month. In addition to low C_{max}, the lead prodrug demonstrates prolonged therapeutic exposure and low injection volumes < 500 µL. The lead prodrug clearly differentiates from other prodrugs in terms of exposure and duration. The lead prodrug of ETV has been determined to provide plasma levels higher than therapeutic levels for extended durations, thereby providing exciting opportunities for improving adherence via LAI approach.

**“Discovery and Early Development of Xeruborbactam
(QPX7728), an Ultra-Broad-Spectrum Boronic Acid
Inhibitor of Serine and Metallo Beta-Lactamases”**

**Dr. Scott Hecker
(Qpex Biopharma)**



ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

Dr. Hecker has over 35 years of industry experience in leading medicinal chemistry and manufacturing in antibacterial drug discovery and development. He began his industrial career at Pfizer as a medicinal chemist in antibacterial drug discovery and then joined Microcide/Essential Therapeutics, where he led teams in the discovery of novel anti-infective drug candidates. He then moved to Metabasis Therapeutics where he oversaw the discovery and early development of drug candidates for diabetes, hyperlipidemia, and hepatitis C in programs that advanced in development under partnerships with Merck and Roche. He later joined Mpex/Rempex Pharmaceuticals, where he was a founding member of the beta-lactamase inhibitor program that discovered the now FDA-approved agent vaborbactam. Upon acquisition of Rempex by The Medicines Company, he oversaw the API manufacturing of vaborbactam as well as leading medicinal chemistry efforts to identify next-generation agents that are now being developed by Qpex Biopharma. Dr. Hecker has authored 50 publications and is an inventor on over 65 patents. He holds a B.A. in Chemistry from Wesleyan University and a Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley.

ABOUT THE LECTURE:

Beta-lactam antibiotics (penicillins, cephalosporins, carbapenems) have been a mainstay in the treatment of serious infections caused by Gram-negative bacteria. Resistance to these agents has primarily been in the form of beta-lactamase enzymes that degrade the antibiotics, with new enzymes constantly evolving in response to the deployment of new agents. In addition to designing beta-lactams that evade these enzymes, another successful approach has been to co-administer the beta-lactam with a beta-lactamase inhibitor (BLI). With the rise of resistance to the newest class of beta-lactams, the carbapenems, there has been a resurgence of efforts to find new BLIs capable of inhibiting the new beta-lactamases. These efforts have introduced three new BLIs now on the market, one of which is a boronic acid (vaborbactam) that achieves potent inhibition by reversibly forming a covalent bond with the active-site serine of the beta-lactamase. Since discovering vaborbactam, the Qpex team continued efforts to identify a second-generation boronic acid with a broader spectrum to cover classes of enzymes and organisms not adequately treated by previous agents. These efforts culminated in the discovery of xeruborbactam (QPX7728), which is now completing Phase 1 clinical trials. Aspects of the medicinal chemistry, biological and pharmacological profiles, and process chemistry of xeruborbactam will be presented.

Dear esteemed members,

I hope you are getting out to enjoy the long sunny days of another beautiful San Diego summer! This month we celebrate the founding of our great nation. Did you know that Antoine Lavoisier, the father of modern chemistry, credited with the discovery of the law of conservation of mass, also played a beneficial role, albeit indirectly, in the American Revolution? Lavoisier was the Director of powder research (Régie des poudres) from 1775 to 1792. In that capacity, Lavoisier succeeded in raising the quality of French gun powder to one of the most sought-after war-time products. In 1776, Benjamin Franklin traveled to France on a diplomatic mission to secure support from the French government on behalf of the colonists fighting against the British. Franklin succeeded in convincing the French king to supply the American revolutionaries with various forms of material aid, which included stockpiles of Lavoisier's gun powder.

This month, great things are happening in our Local Section. On July 15, our local section, in collaboration with UC San Diego, will host the **2022 Medicinal Chemistry Symposium**. This year, the format will be virtual. We are featuring four distinguished researchers from academia and industry discussing the following topics.

- Dr. Fleur Ferguson (UCSD) - "Interrogating the druggable proteome using proximity-mediated pharmacology".
- Dr. Mark Tichenor (Janssen) - "Discovery of JNJ-64264681, a potent and selective covalent BTK inhibitor".
- Dr. Anil Gupta (Calibr) - "Can we treat Hepatitis B via a single injection?"
- Dr. Scott Hecker (Qpex Biopharma) "Discovery and Early Development of Xeruborbactam (QPX7728), an Ultra-Broad-Spectrum Boronic Acid Inhibitor of Serine and Metallo Beta-Lactamases".

To register for the Med Chem Symposium, [click here](#).

As we look toward August, we have an exciting field trip planned on August 5 to **General Atomics**. General Atomics is a leader in the local defense industries and is renowned for its unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) technologies. The La Jolla branch of General Atomics also happens to be the site of a joint venture with the Department of Energy into fusion energy research. I am looking forward to learning about where the state-of-the-art is at. Space is limited for this field trip; registration closes on July 20. [Click here](#) to reserve your spot.

I wish you all a festive and relaxing month of July.

With gratitude,

Juan Gonzalez
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This year, the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad (USNCO) digital local screening test was held on March 26-27, 2022 and participated by 79 high school students representing 15 schools. The top 13 students (limited to no more than two students per high school) were nominated and invited back in April to take the rigorous hybrid 3-part national exam at University of San Diego. Below is the list of 13 students who participated in the USNCO national exam. Congratulations!

Name	School	Teacher
Daniel Wang	Torrey Pines High School	Angela Willden
*Anna Liu	Rancho Bernardo High School	Dawn Gamberale
*Raine Wen	Mt Carmel High School	Debbie Stenger
Wenkai Xu	Pacific Ridge School	Justin McCabe
Morgan Donovan	Cathedral Catholic High School	Jessica Martin
Danniell Xu	Canyon Crest Academy	Kaveh Shakeri
Alex Xu	Canyon Crest Academy	Kaveh Shakeri
Iris Yang	Del Norte High School	Ken Ozuna
**Andrew Zhang	Del Norte High School	Ken Ozuna
Arianna Roberts	La Jolla High School	Michelle Bertier
Grace Sun	The Bishop's School	Pamela Reynolds
*Daniel Deng	Westview High School	Scott Halander
*Daniel Lu	Westview High School	Scott Halander

**Achieved the rank of high honors

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A Recount of the 2022 ACS Leadership Institute



Greetings, San Diego Section,

My name is Christina Vialva, and I am honored to hold both the titles of Member-at-Large for the ACS executive board and current undergraduate chemistry major. Although my familiarity with the ACS and volunteering has passed a three-year mark, I have only recently joined the local section's leadership.

As an undergraduate attending Southwestern Community College, I had often assumed that my chance to involve myself in an organization like the ACS would come far after completing my academic journey. Yet, I quickly realized that this was not necessarily the case when I decided to become involved in my alma mater's Student Affiliate (SA) Chapter. It was through this experience that I tackled mental and emotional barriers that had once deterred me from engaging with my local chemistry community. More so, this active commitment to becoming a student leader influenced my decision to reach further, and aspire to serve as a bridge for my fellow chemistry undergraduates and the local section's executive board.

Upon accepting the position of Member-at-Large, I have been warmly welcomed into the San Diego section. With much support from the current chair, Juan Gonzalez, I was encouraged to attend this year's ACS Leadership Institute in Atlanta, GA. Accepting such an opportunity to meet so many new faces from across the country is an experience I will always treasure as a seminal moment of my professional journey.

During my time in Atlanta, I had the privilege of learning to be a better leader from the most influential people in my field. After the Institute, I reflected on my growth. When my involvement in the ACS was limited to serving as an officer in my college's SA chapter, I often overlooked the logistical communication, critical analysis, and innovation skills that are required to create, promote and execute a worthwhile event. During team-building exercises, I also realized that each of our backgrounds and perspectives could all contribute to achieving a common goal: improving all people's lives through the transforming power of chemistry. It was at that moment that my confidence was reinforced in knowing that my current stature as a young chemist is valued and seen in the ACS.

Departing from the Leadership Institute was bittersweet. I left friends I had grown close to in such a short period of time, yet I also felt excited to share the fun I had experienced with my friends at home. I returned home with an awakened mindset, knowing so suddenly and clearly, that there is a leader within all who are willing to find it.

With sincere gratitude,

Christina Vialva
(Member-at-Large)
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**San Diego Section, American Chemical Society
Executive Committee – Zoom Meeting
June 2, 2022, 6:30 p.m.**

Attendees: Surya De, Juan Gonzales-Gonzales (chair), Desiree Grubisha (treasurer). Carolina Ibarra, Jim Shih, Ryan Smith, Bill Szabo, Bill Tolley (secretary), Christina Vialva, David Wallace.

Visitors: Bethany Sawyer.

April ExComm Minutes – Submitted via e-mail for approval; no quorum to approve.

Treasurer's Report (JGG / DG / BS) – Since last meeting: interest \$16.25 from SDCCU account; expenses: Newsletter preparation \$300, social media \$185, storage locker \$113; Vanguard VWENX Fund up but financial markets going down spurring suggestion that the Section liquidate some of the Vanguard fund to preserve value; suggestion to consider .

Motion: liquidate 700 shares ~\$50K to put into SDCCU accounts and authorize Treasurer to decide which accounts to put the money into – due to lack of quorum for a vote, the motion will be submitted for e-mail vote, possibility to purchase Federal I-bonds @9.67% interest but \$10K- /year purchase limit.

Finance Committee (BS) -- Solicitation for new members of the committee.



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PATENT LAW**

with

 Deborah Smith, Ph. D, J.D. Associate, Wilson Sonsini	 David Wallace, Ph.D Sr. Director of IP Biosplice Therapeutics	 Alice Lee-Dutra, Ph. D Senior Patent Agent Foley and Lardner
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June 23, 2022
5:30-6:45 pm
Free event
Location:
Wilson Sonsini Office
12235 El Camino Real
San Diego, CA 92130

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Law Panel Seminar (RS) – Scheduled for the offices of Wilson Sonsini, June 23, soft drinks to be provided, panelists David Wallace, Deborah Smith, Alice Lee-Dutra, discussing careers for chemists to become lawyers, site requests attendees have vaccination card and reporting if attendees test positive within 24 hours of attendance, 4 registered at this point, suggestion to add QR code to announcement.

MedChem Symposium (DW) – Four speakers confirmed, need to confirm that UCSD staff setting up Zoom link, Mark has sent reminders to speakers, will advertise heavily after Law Panel event.

ACS President Judith Giordan Symposium (CI) – Upcoming Zoom event.

Leadership Seminar (CV) – Opportunity to network with representatives from throughout ACS, developed better appreciation of the work that goes into ACS.

AACT Membership For Teachers Of Chem Olympiad Winners (JGG) – no quorum to vote, so submit for e-mail vote.

IPG (JGG) – Will submit one proposal for cooking chemistry over Zoom, idea to get chef to create an extraordinary dish and a chemist to describe science behind it, concept to use in connection with Valentine's Day, application due June 30, report from previous grant has been submitted.

Chemistry Game Night (CV) – Seeking someone to edit the game board, and then laminate the board, still searching for venue – park setting not ideal for proposed Aug. time; look through ACS Store for possible games and prizes.

General Atomics Fusion Facility Tour (JGG) – Field trip expected to include presentation of technology and tour of fusion facility.

Upcoming Events (JGG) -- National Organic Symposium, June, La Jolla Marriott; Frontiers in Soft Matter Symposium (USD).

Adjourn: 7:59 p.m.

Next meeting: July 7

Executive Committee Meeting Dates 2022

6:30– 8:00 PM

Thursday July 7
Thursday August 4
Thursday September 1
Thursday October 6
Thursday November 3

Zoom Meeting

**Are Hazardous Chemical Facilities
Prepared for More Natural Disasters
Due to Climate Change?**

July 7, 2022 2:00 PM PDT

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**Process Analytics 4.0: A Comprehensive
Solution for Process Monitoring**

Jul 20, 2022 10:00 AM PDT

[Register here!](#)

**Rapid Vaccine Manufacturing for
Clinical Trials – Insights from the
Malaria Field**

Jul 26, 2022 8:00 a.m. PDT

[Register here!](#)

**Democratizing NMR: Validation of
Industrial qNMR Assays with
Benchtop Spectroscopy**

Jul 28, 2022 8:00 AM PDT

[Register here!](#)

**The Himalayas in the 21st Century:
Ecology, Environment, and Geopolitics**

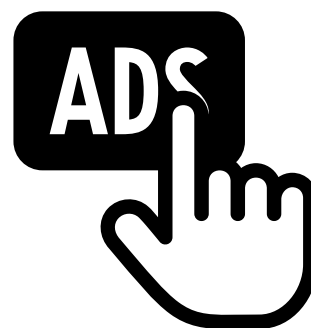
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Essential Business Contracts**

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October 2-5
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Oct 19-21, 2022
check for info

Western Regional Meeting (WRM)
Oct 19-22, 2022
Las Vegas, NV

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- Special Presentation, Dr. Joseph Wang, UCSD
- Closing Keynote, Dr. Stephen Leffler Buchwald, MIT

Technical Sessions

- Air, water, and soil Pollution
- Biochemistry of COVID and other Infectious Diseases
- Inorganic and Materials Chemistry
- Preparing K-12 Students for a Future in STEM
- Biotechnology & Biomedicine

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July 19, 2022, 1:15–6:30 PM

University of San Diego, Warren Auditorium

Jean Dreyfus Lectureship Speaker

Melanie S. Sanford, PhD, University of Michigan

Using Physical Organic Chemistry Principles to Develop Molecules for Electrical Energy Storage



Symposium Speakers

Itay Budin, PhD, UC San Diego

Lipids that shape biological membranes: from the powerplants of our cells to the bottom of earth's oceans



Jing Gu, PhD, San Diego State University

Atomically Engineering Catalytic Active Sites for Enhanced Electrochemical Hydrogen Evolution



Valerie A. Schmidt, PhD, UC San Diego

Strategies leveraging selective phosphoranyl radical fragmentation for chemical synthesis



Eleanor I. Gillette, PhD, University of San Diego

Electrodeposition techniques for structural and compositional control of Nickel-based nanomaterials



For details of the event, including the schedule, locations, and free parking, visit: [Symposium Information](#)

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July 19, 2022,
University of San Diego, Warren Auditorium

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Friday, August 5, 2022
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM PDT

264th ACS NATIONAL MEETING & EXPOSITION
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