

The Chemistry and Biology of Natural Products Symposium XIV

10th - 11th June 2021

ONLINE MEETING









Day 1: 10th June

Session 1: Chair – Matthew Jenner (University of Warwick)

10:30 Welcome & Notices

- **10:40** Abigail Alford (Wilkinson Group, John Innes Centre) 'A heterologous expression platform for the production and diversification of lantipeptide antibiotics'
- **11:00** Valentin Waschulin (Wellington / Corre Groups, University of Warwick) 'Exploring the biosynthetic potential of uncultured Antarctic bacteria using long-read sequencing'
- **11:20 Sbusisiwe Mbatha** (Willis Group, University of Bristol) 'Synthetic and biosynthetic studies on abyssomicin natural products'
- **11:40 Dong-Song Tian** (Cox Group, Leibniz University Hannover) 'The sporothriolides. A new biosynthetic family of fungal secondary metabolites'

12:00 Break

Session 2: Chair – Liz Skellam (University of North Texas)

- **14:00** Helen Smith (Lewandowski / Jenner / Challis Groups, University of Warwick) 'Reconstitution of a split C-methylating module from the gladiolin trans-AT polyketide synthase'
- 14:20 Claudio Greco (Keller Group, University of Wisconsin / Wilkinson Group, John Innes Centre) *The reader protein SptB is involved in regulating secondary metabolism in Aspergillus*

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- **14:40** Shona Richardson (Campopiano Group, University of Edinburgh) 'Exploring and exploiting the origins of the fatty amine tail of bipyrrole natural products'
- **15:00 Candace Ho** (Cryle / Tosin Groups, University of Warwick / Monash University) 'Structures of a non-ribosomal peptide synthetase condensation domain suggest the basis of substrate selectivity'

15:20 Break

16.00 Closing Lecture: Hajo Kries (Group Leader, Leibniz-HKI, Jena) 'Engineering DNA-templated nonribosomal peptide synthesis'

Day 2: 11th June

Session 3: Chair – Fabrizio Alberti (University of Warwick)

10:30 Welcome & Notices

- **10:40 Gustavo Perez Ortiz** (Barry Group, Kings College London) *'Cytochrome P450s in the late-stage functionalisation of cyclic peptide antibiotics'*
- **11:00** Matthew Beech (Lewandowski / Challis Groups, University of Warwick) 'Tandem halogenation and condensation in aeruginosin biosynthesis is directed by docking domain-mediated carrier protein recruitment'
- 11:20 Reito Bunno (Abe Group, University of Tokyo)
 'Aziridine formation by a Fe(II) / α-ketoglutarate dependent oxygenase and 2aminoisobutyrate biosynthesis in fungi'
- **11:40 Katharina Schmidt** (Cox Group, Leibniz University Hannover) 'Biosynthetic studies on tropolone maleic acid anhydride conjugates from Hypoxyon lienhwacheense'

12:00 Break

Session 4: Chair – Rebecca Devine (John Innes Centre).

- **14:00** Panward Prasongpholchai (Tosin Group, University of Warwick) *'Elucidation of an unusual polyketide biosynthetic pathway from Rhodococcus'*
- **14:20** Darren Scobie (Duncan Group, University of Strathclyde) *'Eliciting novel chemistry through Streptomyces soil microcosm co-culture'*
- **14:40 Duha Alkhder** (Waterfield / Alberti Groups, University of Warwick) 'Dissecting the mechanism of action of 3,5-dihydroxy-4-isopropyl-trans-stilbene'
- **15:00** Shan Wang (Deng Group, University of Aberdeen) 'Aminoacyl chain translocation catalysed by a type II thioesterase domain in an unusual non-ribosomal peptide synthetase'

15:20 Break

16.00 Closing Lecture: Dan Udwary (Computational Biology Group Leader, JGI) *'The genome mining singularity is near'*

17:00 Prizes and Closing Remarks