Natural products chemistry July 2–7, 1995 New England College Henniker, NH, USA

Synthetic chemistry

Robert K Boeckman, Jr, University of Rochester, USA: New developments and applications of bicyclic lactam based chiral controller molecules to asymmetric synthesis

Stephen L Buchwald, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA: A catalytic method for the formation of carbon-nitrogen bonds

Dennis P Curran, University of Pittsburgh, USA: Recent applications of radical reactions in organic synthesis

Scott E Denmark, University of Illinois, USA: Tandem cycloadditions of nitroalkenes in natural product synthesis

Eiichi Nakamura, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan: Organic chemistry of Buckminsterfullerenes

Scott D Rychnovsky, University of Minnesota, USA: Structures, syntheses and biological activities of polyene macrolide antibiotics

K Barry Sharpless, Scripps Research Institute, USA: Noncovalent binding phenomena in asymmetric catalysis

Keisuke Suzuki, Keio University, Japan: Synthetic strategies for natural products with arene-sugar and arene-isoprenoid hybrid structures

Natural products isolation and structure elucidation

Eric Block, State University of New York at Albany, USA: Isolation, structure elucidation, synthesis and study of organoselenium and organosulfur natural products from common plants and vegetables: recent results

Daniel Schroeder, Bristol-Myers Squibb Research Institute, USA: **Studies on maduropeptin chromophore**

Sheo B Singh, Merck Research Laboratories, USA: Isolation, structure and synthesis of inhibitors of endonuclease and Ras farnesyl-protein transferase Wolfgang Steglich, University of Munich, Germany: Hunting the mushrooms for chemicals

Bioorganic chemistry of natural products

Jon C Clardy, Cornell University, USA: Natural products and their macromolecular receptors

Daniel E Kahne, Princeton University, USA: Chromomycin as a blueprint for designed metal complexes

Alanna Schepartz, Yale University, USA: The chemistry of transcriptional activation

Natural products and drug discovery

Bruce A Lefker, Pfizer Central Research, USA: Structurebased design of non-peptide renin inhibitors

Michael Lewis, Eisai Research Institute, USA: Inhibitors of isoprenyl transferases

Daniel Sternbach, Glaxo Research Institute, USA: Progress toward small molecule inhibitors of src SH3-SH2/phosphoprotein interactions

Molecular diversity and natural products

Manoj Desai, Chiron Corporation, USA: Recent advances in the generation of chemical diversity libraries

Jonathan A Ellman, University of California, Berkeley, USA: Simultaneous synthesis and evaluation of organic compound libraries

Michael Ohlmeyer, Pharmacopeia, Inc., USA: Encoded organic syntheses

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Enzyme mechanisms: deaminases

Charles W Carter Jr, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA: Cytidine deaminase: crystal structure of an enzyme:transition-state complex

Richard Wolfenden, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA: Extreme examples of structural discrimination by deaminases: results of substrate and site-directed modifications

Larry Chan, Baylor College of Medicine, USA: Apolipoprotein B mRNA editing protein: structure and biological significance

Enzyme mechanisms: DNA methylases

Xiaodong Cheng, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, USA: **DNA modification by methyltransferases**

Judy K Christman, University of Nebraska, USA: Use of cytidine analogs in defined oligodeoxyribonucleotides to explain the mechanism of action of mammalian DNA methyltransferase

Enzyme mechanisms: dehydrogenases

Krzysztof W Pankiewicz, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, USA: Synthesis of NAD analogs designed as potential anticancer agents

Barry M Goldstein, University of Rochester, USA: Crystallographic studies of dehydrogenase–inhibitor complexes: structural determinants of specificity

Structure and function of nucleic acids and oligonucleotides

Jyoti Chattopadhyaya, University of Upsala, Sweden: How do the gauche and anomeric effects drive the pseudorotational equilibrium of the pentofuranose moiety of nucleosides?

Cornelis Altona, Leiden University, Netherlands: Three-way and four-way junctions in DNA

Shih-Fong Chen, Institute for Drug Development, USA: Interference of telomere/telomerase activity by nucleoside/nucleotide analogs

Carbocyclic nucleosides

Stewart W Schneller, Auburn University, USA: 5'-Norcarbocyclic nucleosides and nucleotides

Ronald J Parry, Rice University, USA: Recent investigations of the biosynthesis of carbocyclic nucleosides

Karl H Altmann, Ciba-Geigy, Basel, Switzerland: 6'-Substituted carbocyclic nucleosides: a novel class of oligonucleotide building blocks

Biochemistry and pharmacology

Thomas Spector, Wellcome Research Laboratories, Research Triangle Park, USA: 5-Ethynyluracil (776C85)/5-fluorouracil: preclinical and clinical studies

Joseph Bertino, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, USA: Protracted use of 5-FU and the re-establishment of sensitivity: new scheduling protocols

Walter Wolf, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA: Tumoral pharmacokinetics of antitumor drugs can be estimated from non-invasive measurements, such as ¹⁹F MRS and ¹⁸F PET

Synthetic methodology

Michael E Jung, University of California, Los Angeles, USA: New synthetic methods for the preparation of nucleoside analogs

Tarek S Mansour, BioChem Therapeutic, Inc., Canada: Challenges and solutions to the diastereoselective synthesis of 2',3'-dideoxy and heterosubstituted nucleoside analogs

Oligonucleotides: synthesis, structure and function

Leigh Anderson, Large Scale Biology Corporation, USA: Large scale solid-phase synthesis of oligonucleotides in centrifugal systems

Hideo Inoue, Hokkaido University, Japan: A specific reaction of a damage base 8-oxoguanine residue in DNA fragments starts successive modifications on the neighboring nucleotide residues

Yogesh Sanghvi, ISIS Pharmaceutical, USA: Beyond phosphorothioates: second generation antisense oligonucleotides

Pro-drugs

Elie Abushanab, University of Rhode Island, USA: Neutral phosphotriesters as novel drug delivery systems

Gilles Gosselin, University of Montpellier, France: Neutral nucleotides bearing enzyme-labile transient phosphate protecting groups: antiviral and antitumor pro-drugs endowed with enhanced potency and bioavailability

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