Gordon research conference programs

Stereochemistry June 9–14 1996 Salve Regina University Newport, RI, USA

Sarah E Kelly, Chair, and Franklin A Davis, Vice Chair

Scott Denmark, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA: Asymmetric catalysis with chiral Lewis bases

Amir Hoveyda, Boston College, USA: Recent advances in asymmetric catalysis

Stuart Schreiber, Harvard University, USA: Studies at the interface of chemistry and biology

Gregory L Verdine, Harvard University, USA: Stereochemical perspective on protein DNA interactions

Samuel Danishefsky, Sloan Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, USA: Glycals in organic synthesis: the evolution of new strategies for the convergent assembly of oligosaccharides and other glycoconjugates

Stephen Buchwald, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA: Asymmetric reductions using early transition metal catalyst

Clayton Heathcock, University of California at Berkeley, USA: Why is a natural product with eight stereocenters racemic?

W Clark Still, Columbia University, USA: Synthetic receptors of peptides

Erick Carreira, California Institute of Technology, USA: Catalytic enantioselective aldehyde addition reactions

Gregory Fu, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA: New reactions of organotin reagents

Frank Fang, Glaxo-Welcome, USA: Enantioselective synthesis of new drug candidates

Laura Kiessling, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA: Saccharide-protein interactions: exploring and exploiting multivalency Tarek Sammakia, University of Colorado at Boulder, USA: Synthetic and mechanistic studies of oxocarbenium ions and carbanions

Kendall N Houk, University of California at Los Angeles, USA: Theoretical models of stereoselective reactions

Andreas Pfaltz, Max-Planck-Institute, Germany: Asymmetric catalysis with chiral metal complexes: C₂-symmetric versus non-symmetric ligands

Edward Grabowski, Merck Research Laboratories, USA: Addition of lithium acetylides to prochiral imines and ketones mediated by chiral lithium alkoxides

Steven Burke, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA: Design, synthesis and study of unnatural ionophores

William Pirkle, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA: Determinations of enantomeric purity and assignment of absolute configuration using a rationally designed chiral stationary phase

Enzymes, coenzymes and metabolic pathways July 14–18, 1996 Kimball Union Academy Meriden, NH, USA

David E Cane and Michael A Marletta, co-chairs

Frontiers of enzymology

Christopher T Walsh, Harvard Medical School, USA: Molecular studies on bacterial resistance to vancomycin

Gregory A Petsko, Brandeis University, USA: Crystallography and mechanism: where are we and where are we going?

Radical enzymes

JoAnne Stubbe, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA: Radicals, radicals, and yet more radicals

John Lipscomb, University of Minnesota, USA: Intermediates in the substrate and oxygen activation cycle of methane monooxygenase Ruma Banerjee, University of Nebraska, USA: Characterization of biradical intermediates on methylmalonyl-CoA mutase

Perry A Frey, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA: Lysine 2,3-amino mutase: characterization of substrate-based radical intermediates

Enzyme mechanisms

Duilio Arigoni, ETH — Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Switzerland: Recent discoveries in the isoprenoid biosynthetic pathway

Barbara Imperiali, California Institute of Technology, USA: Protein glycosylation: specificity and function

Chris Abell, University of Cambridge, UK: Mechanistic studies on biosynthetic enzymes

Natural product enzymology/genetics

Chaitan Khosla, Stanford University, USA: Non-template based multi-enzyme assemblies: the polyketide synthase example

Mohamed A Marahiel, Phillips-University of Marburg, Germany: Biosynthesis, regulation and design of peptide antibiotics

Toni N Kutchan, University of Munich, Germany: New insights into the mechanisms of the enzymes of isoquinoline alkaloid biosynthesis

C Dale Poulter, University of Utah, USA: Farnesyl diphosphate synthase: structure and function

Signal transduction

Susan Taylor, University of California at San Diego, USA: Structure and function relationships in the cAMPdependent protein kinase

Zhong-Yin Zhang, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, USA: Mechanism of catalysis by protein-tyrosine phosphatases

Gregory L Verdine, Harvard University, USA: Keepers of the code: structural and mechanistic studies on proteins that decorate and mend the genome

Redox enzymology

Gerald T Babcock, Michigan State University, USA: Water/oxygen metabolism in metalloprotein active sites Shinya Yoshikawa, Himeji Institute, Japan: Structure of cytochrome c oxidase

Dennis H Flint, Central Research, DuPont, USA: Initial steps in the synthesis of Fe–S clusters

Enzymes in disease

Peter T Lansbury, Jr, University of Minnesota, USA: Molecular mechanism of amyloid formation in neurodegenerative diseases

David Bramhill, Merck Sharpe & Dohme, USA: The role of the tubulin-like FtsZ protein as a component of bacterial cell division machine

Mark Levy, Smith Kline Beecham, USA: Cathepsin O: a novel cysteine protease selectively expressed in human osteoclasts

Evolution of catalysis

Thomas Scanlan, University of California at San Francisco, USA: Enzyme design and evolution

David Bartel, Whitehead Institute, USA: New ribozymes from random RNA sequences

Short talks (three) selected from posters

Protein engineering

Charles Craik, University of California at San Francisco, USA: Engineered metalloregulation of proteolytic activity

William F DeGrado, DuPont-Merck, USA: *De novo* protein design

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