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Drug Discovery Innovation Workshop

February 23rd, 2024 10am – 5pm

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Location:

Michelson Center For Convergent Bioscience 1002 Childs Way, MCB 101 Los Angeles, California 90089

Please RSVP to attend:

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Website:

https://dornsife.usc.edu CNT3D/

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

9:15 am Registration and Coffee

10:00 am Greetings from Dr. Ishwar Puri, Senior Vice President, Research and Innovation

10:10 am Introduction by Dr. Seva Katritch and Dr. Charles McKenna, CNT3D co-directors

10:30 am-12:30 pm Session 1. New Technologies in Drug Discovery Developed at USC Dornsife

Chairs: Dr. Charles McKenna and Dr. Seva Katritch

10:30 am Stacey Finley, PhD: Systems biology modeling to predict drug effects in the tumor

microenvironment

10:50 am Cornelius Gati, PhD: Cryo-EM for structural pharmacology of the key drug

discovery targets

11:10 am Dmitry Eremin, PhD: Discovering Novel Chemical Tools for Making

Pharmaceuticals

11:30 am Oliver Bell, PhD: Targeting polycomb repressor complex for cancer

11:50 am Yong (Tiger) Zhang, PhD: Molecular Reprogramming for Novel Drug Discovery

12:10 pm Erin Overstreet, PhD: Vision for IP Support and Innovation at USC

12:30 - 1:40 pm Lunch and Poster Session

1:40 pm Greetings from Dr. Stephen Bradforth, Senior Advisor to the Dornsife Dean for

Research Strategy and Development

1:45 – 3:15 pm Session 2. Programs and Initiatives in Drug Discovery and Development at USC

Chair: Dr. Moh El Naggar, Divisional Dean for Physical Sciences and Mathematics

1:45 pm Charles Hart, PhD (UCSF Catalyst): TBA, Keynote presentation

2:25 pm Olexandr Isayev, PhD (CMU): Artificial Intelligence (AI) Solutions for Organic

Chemistry and CADD

2:45 pm Eun Ji Chung, PhD: Nanomedicine Approaches for Enhanced Drug Delivery

Paul Pearson (AT2Rx): TBA

3:05 pm TBD

Industry participants include Amgen, Takeda, Eli Lilly, Gilead, and more

3:15 – 4:00 pm Discussion Panel

Lead: Dr. Steve Kay, Director of Convergent Biosciences, Co-Director of the USC

Norris Center

4:00 - 5:00pm Reception





