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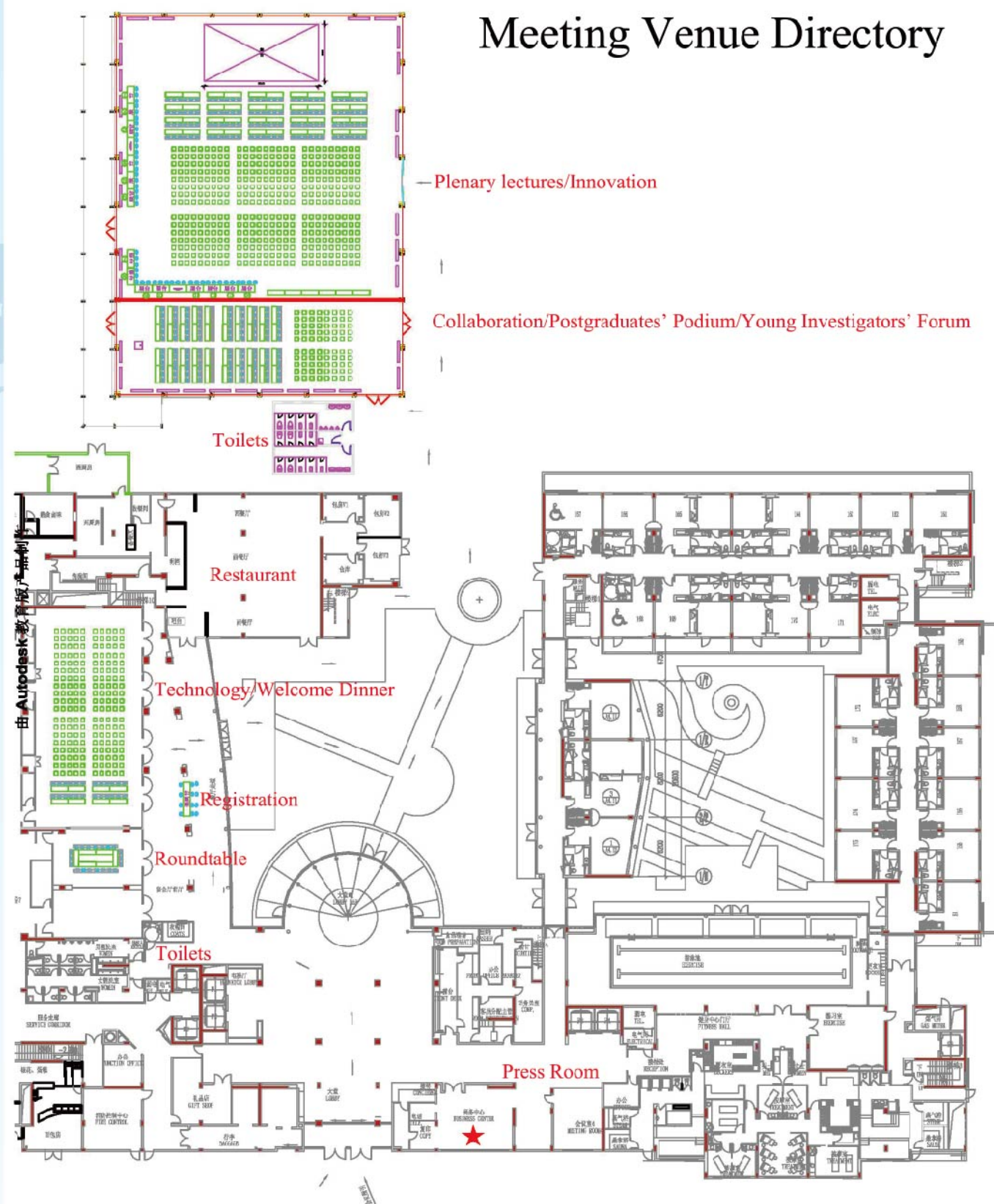


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8:30-8:50	Host: Professor Ming-Wei Wang The National Center for Drug Screening, Shanghai, China
	Opening remarks: Professor Jian Ding Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences
8:50-9:00	Group photo at the garden
Plenary lectures Moderator: Ming-Wei Wang	
9:00-9:35	Garth Cooper (The University of Manchester, UK) <i>Is type 2 diabetes an amyloidosis and does it really matter (to patients)?</i>
9:35-10:10	Raymond Stevens (The Scripps Research Institute, USA) <i>The incredible diversity of G-protein coupled receptors</i>
10:10-10:45	Zihe Rao (Tianjin International Joint Academy of Biomedicine, China) <i>Structural insight of HFMDV and antiviral drug discovery</i>
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break
Parallel session 1-1: Innovation — Dedicated to the International Women's Day on March 8 Moderators: Daniel Hoyer and Richard D. Ye	
11:00-11:20	Ruiping Xiao (Peking University, China) <i>Cross talk between GPCR and RAGE</i>
11:20-11:40	Deborah Hay (Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>Targeting class B GPCRs to treat migraine, cancer and obesity</i>
11:40-12:00	Beili Wu (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Structural studies of HIV-1 co-receptors CXCR4 and CCR5</i>
12:00-12:20	Xin Xie (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Targeting G protein-coupled receptors for the treatment of autoimmune diseases</i>
Lunch break and Technology Showcase 1 (12:20-13:20)	
12:30-12:40	Agilent Technologies <i>A pathway-centric approach to multi-omics research powered by GeneSpring analytics</i>
12:40-12:50	Molecular Devices <i>Molecular Devices total solution in drug discovery screening</i>
12:50-13:00	Tekon Biotech <i>Advancements in acoustic droplet ejection technology for drug discovery</i>
13:00-13:10	ACEA Biosciences <i>Cell assay platforms: xCELLigence real-time cell analysis and NovoCyte flow cytometry</i>
13:10-13:20	Life Sciences Solutions, ThermoFisher Scientific <i>Life Technologies: integrate biology capability into drug discovery total solution</i>
Parallel session 2-1: Technology Moderators: Xuejun Li and Aimin Xu	
11:00-11:20	Jiarui Wu (ShanghaiTech University, China) <i>Protein polymorphism and personalized medicine</i>
11:20-11:40	Hiroki Oguri (Hokkaido University, Japan) <i>Development of a biogenetically inspired assembly line for skeletally diverse indole alkaloids</i>
11:40-12:00	Chris Battershill (Waikato University, New Zealand) <i>Drug leads downunder: smart discovery and development from marine sources</i>
12:00-12:20	Gisela Concepcion (University of the Philippines, Philippines) <i>Marine organisms: from ecological to pharmacological leads</i>
Lunch break and Technology Showcase 2 (12:20-13:20)	
12:30-12:40	Waters Technologies <i>Recent advancement of HDX-MS technology for protein conformation and dynamics</i>
12:40-12:50	Hamamatsu Photonics <i>Beyond GPCR, latest development and applications on Hamamatsu FDSS instrument</i>

12:50-13:00	Hamilton <i>Fast automated oligosaccharide pattern profiling of therapeutic glycoproteins</i>
13:00-13:10	Seahorse Bioscience <i>Application of cell metabolism real-time monitoring technology in drug screening</i>
13:10-13:20	Tecan (Shanghai) Trading Co., Ltd. <i>Robotics accelerate new drug discovery by Tecan</i>
Parallel session 3-1: Collaboration Moderators: Jiayu Liao and Siddhartha Roy	
11:00-11:20	Xiao-Nong Zhou (National Institute of Parasitic Diseases, CDC, China) <i>The challenges and research priorities to archive the roadmap of WHO NTDs control and elimination</i>
11:20-11:40	David Williams (Rush University Medical Center, USA) <i>Redox biology and drug development for schistosomiasis</i>
11:40-12:00	Chun Guo (Shenyang Pharmaceutical University, China) <i>Design, synthesis and antimalarial activity of novel artemisinin derivatives as cysteine protease falcipain-2 inhibitors</i>
12:00-12:20	Brigitte Gicquel (Institut Pasteur, France and China) <i>The challenges for the treatment of tuberculosis</i>
Plenary lectures Moderator: Peter Shepherd	
13:20-13:55	Sunghoon Kim (Seoul National University, Korea) <i>Novel drug discovery from catalytic and non-catalytic activities of aminoacyl-tRNA synthetases</i>
13:55-14:30	Ronald Quinn (Griffith University, Australia) <i>Fragment-based drug discovery based on a unique natural product library using FT-ICR-MS</i>
14:30-15:05	Siddhartha Roy (CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Biology, India) <i>A designed bivalent constrained peptide against melanoma</i>
15:05-15:20	Coffee Break
Parallel session 1-2: Innovation Moderators: Deborah Hay and Ruiping Xiao	
15:20-15:40	Jian-Dong Jiang (Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences) <i>Berberine: a botanic drug for metabolic disorders</i>
15:40-16:00	Aimin Xu (The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong S.A.R., China) <i>The FGF21-adiponectin axis in adipose tissues as a target for obesity-related metabolic disorders</i>
16:00-16:20	Jia Li (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Tissue specific PGC1 alpha transcription modulator improves metabolic syndrome in db/db mice</i>
16:20-16:40	Donghai Wu (Guangzhou Institutes of Biomedicine and Health, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Brown or beige fat cells as new drug targets for the treatment of metabolic disorders</i>
16:40-17:00	Jingya Li (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Targeting to mitochondria function for treating metabolic diseases</i>
17:00-17:20	Shihuan Kuang (Purdue University, USA) <i>Regulation of white to brown adipocyte switching by MicroRNA</i>
17:20-17:40	Rasmus Prætorius Clausen (University of Copenhagen, Denmark) <i>Probing histone methylation and demethylation with small molecules and peptides</i>
17:40-18:00	Jianping Zuo (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Therapeutic effects of DZ2002, a reversible SAHH inhibitor, on lupus mice via interference with TLR-mediated APC response</i>
18:00-18:20	Jack Flanagan (Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>Discovery of new inhibitors for the human steroid and prostaglandin metabolising enzyme, aldo-keto reductase 1C3</i>
18:20-18:40	Zhaobing Gao (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>PIP2 alters pharmacological selectivity for epilepsy-causing KCNQ channels</i>
Parallel session 2-2: Technology Moderators: Chris Battershill and Gisela Concepcion	
15:20-15:40	Fiona Marshall (Heptares Therapeutics, UK) <i>Structure based drug design directed at G protein-coupled receptors</i>
15:40-16:00	Eric Xu (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Structural mechanisms and drug discovery of dissociated glucocorticoids</i>

16:00-16:20	Jesper Lau (Novo Nordisk A/S, Denmark) <i>Pharmaceutical protein and peptide engineering: from once daily to once weekly GLP-1</i>
16:20-16:40	Qiang Zhao (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Structure and functional implications of purinergic receptor P2Y12</i>
16:40-17:00	Sun Choi (Ewha Womans University, Korea) <i>Identification of the allosteric communications of GPCR by agonists and structure-based design of adenosine receptor modulators</i>
17:00-17:20	Chen Chen (Sundia MediTech, China) <i>Revisit the CRF antagonist research after receptor crystal structure</i>
17:20-17:40	Rasmus Jorgensen (Novo Nordisk A/S, Denmark) <i>Using BRET to monitor receptor interactions with downstream signaling partners – examples for GLP-1 and insulin receptors</i>
17:40-18:00	Yuehai Ke (Zhejiang University School of Medicine, China) <i>Cell-based phenotypic screening identifies essential kinases and phosphatases targeting lung injuries and inflammation</i>
18:00-18:20	Zhanfeng Cui (University of Oxford, UK) <i>Development of advanced in vitro 3-D human tissue models for drug screening applications</i>
Parallel session 3-2: Collaboration Moderators: Camilo Colaco and Hiroki Oguri	
15:20-15:40	Wei Qing Pan (Second Military Medical University, China) <i>Rational design and development of recombinant vaccine against parasite infections</i>
15:40-16:00	Rosanna Peeling (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK) <i>Innovation partnerships to accelerate diagnostic development and access</i>
16:00-16:20	Wei Hu (Fudan University, China) <i>Potential drug targets in Schistosoma japonicum</i>
16:20-16:40	Ming-Wei Wang (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Class B GPCR drug discovery: from serendipitous findings to organized efforts</i>
16:40-17:00	Jiayu Liao (University of California, Riverside, USA) <i>Activate glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor with small molecules</i>
17:00-17:20	Palle Høy Jakobsen (Novo Nordisk A/S, Denmark) <i>International collaborations for talent attraction and know-how</i>
17:20-17:40	Yue-Wei Guo (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Recent Sino-Italian collaborative studies on the discovery of drug leads from the South China Sea marine organisms</i>
17:40-18:00	Jeanette Wood (Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>How to get large pharma companies interested in your drug discovery and development projects?</i>
18:00-18:20	Yang Ye (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Win-win inspired complementary partnerships: SIMM international practices in the last two decades</i>
18:20-18:40	Adam Podmore (University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>Drug discovery and development commercialization - the Auckland UniServices story</i>
19:00-21:00	Welcome dinner at the Parkyard Hotel (by invitation only)
End of day 1	

Friday, March 14, 2014	
Plenary lectures Moderator: Xiao-Nong Zhou	
8:15-8:50	Bill Denny (Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>Drug development for neglected diseases: persistent tuberculosis and leishmaniasis</i>
8:50-9:25	Motonari Uesugi (Kyoto University, Japan) <i>Small molecules that block fat synthesis</i>
9:25-10:00	Cheryl Arrowsmith (University of Toronto, Canada) <i>Open access chemical probes for target discovery and validation of epigenetic regulators</i>
10:00-10:15	Coffee Break
Parallel session 1-3: Innovation Moderators: Sun Choi and Rasmus Jorgensen	
10:15-10:35	Daniel Hoyer (The University of Melbourne, Australia) <i>Neuropsychiatric disorders: target identification, validation and engagement</i>
10:35-10:55	Richard D. Ye (Shanghai Jiaotong University, China) <i>Receptors for amyloid proteins as potential targets for anti-inflammatory therapy</i>
10:55-11:15	Takayoshi Suzuki (Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine, Japan) <i>Design, synthesis, and biological activity of lysine-specific demethylase 1 inhibitors</i>
11:15-11:35	Yizhun Zhu (Fudan University, China) <i>Discovery of novel compounds from Chinese herbs for heart and brain diseases: from bench to bedside</i>
11:35-11:55	Peter Shepherd (Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>Targeting kinases in cancer</i>
11:55-12:15	Hongxi Xu (Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, China) <i>Natural compound oblongifolin C inhibits autophagic flux and enhances antitumor efficacy of nutrient deprivation</i>
Parallel session 2-3: Technology Moderators: Young-Tae Chang and David Williams	
10:15-10:35	Hualiang Jiang (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Kinetics of drug-target binding</i>
10:35-10:55	Alan Davidson (Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand) <i>Using human iPS cells to make model systems for drug discovery</i>
10:55-11:15	Qiang Yu (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Tyrosine kinase signaling-based personalized diagnosis and treatment of cancer</i>
11:15-11:35	Junko Ohkanda (Institute for Chemical Research, Kyoto University, Japan) <i>Rational design of fusococcin-based fluorescent probes for detecting 14-3-3 complexes</i>
11:35-11:55	Weiliang Zhu (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Simulating large scale conformation change for understanding protein function</i>
11:55-12:15	Seung Bum Park (Seoul National University, Korea) <i>FITGE-based target identification for the connection of rational drug discovery with phenotypic screening</i>
Parallel session 4-1: Postgraduates' Podium (10:15-12:15) Organizer: Yue-Ting Chen Evaluation panel: Ke Ding, Brigitte Gicquel, Jesper Lau, Takayoshi Suzuki and Xiao Xu	
10:15-10:27	Dakai Chen (The Chinese National Compound Library, China) <i>Identification and characterization of a novo small molecule AMPK allosteric activator that orally exerts beneficial effects on diabetic ob/ob mice</i>
10:27-10:39	Minghua Cui (Ewha Womans University, Korea) <i>Design, synthesis and molecular modeling study of novel anti-malarial Pf-calpain inhibitors</i>
10:39-10:51	Yunjun Ge (The Chinese National Compound Library, China) <i>The putative signal peptide of glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor is not required for establishing its functionality</i>
10:51-11:03	Xin Li (Peking University, China) <i>A natural product derivative AD-20 inhibits cancer cell migration by suppressing the expression of Neuropilin-1</i>

11:03-11:15	Hongchuan Liu (The Second Military Medical University, China) <i>Chemical constituents from Rabdosia japonica and their cytotoxicity and anti-HBV activities</i>
11:15-11:27	Zhiqing Liu (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Novel 2,4-diarylaminopyrimidine analogues showing potent c-Met/ALK multikinase inhibitory activities</i>
11:27-11:39	Xinxu Xu (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Hyperosmosis facilitates mouse somatic cell reprogramming</i>
11:39-11:51	Jianpeng Yin (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Design and synthesis of paracaseolide A analogues as selective protein tyrosine phosphatase 1B inhibitors</i>
11:51-12:03	Lun Zhang (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Functional role of conserved HxD-histidine in the catalytic core of protein kinases</i>
12:03-12:15	Yueming Zheng (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Hexachlorophene is a potent KCNQ1/KCNE1 potassium channel activator which rescues LQTs mutants</i>
Parallel session 5-1: Roundtable Discussion (10:15-12:15) <i>How to commercialize your innovation?</i> Organizers: Gang Liu and Jeanette Wood	
Lunch break and Technology Showcase 3 (12:15-13:15)	
12:20-12:40	PerkinElmer <i>Up-to-date imaging technologies in drug discovery</i>
12:40-13:00	ThermoFisher Scientific <i>New solution integration in drug discovery from ThermoFisher</i>
Plenary lectures Moderator: Xin Xie	
13:15-14:00	Kurt Wüthrich (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland) <i>Rational structure-based drug design – contributions from NMR</i>
14:00-14:45	Barry Potter (University of Bath, UK) <i>Steroid sulfatase inhibitors: from concept to clinical trials</i>
14:45-15:00	Coffee Break
Parallel session 1-4: Innovation Moderators: Rasmus Prætorius Clausen and Fiona Marshall	
15:00-15:20	Xuejun Li (Peking University Health Science Center, China) <i>Autophagy mediates the cytoprotective mechanism of polyphenols</i>
15:20-15:40	Ho Jeong Kwon (Yonsei University, Korea) <i>Mitochondrial UQCRB and its inhibitors</i>
15:40-16:00	Jianmin Yue (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Discovery of structurally diverse and biologically important components from plant sources</i>
16:00-16:20	Xiao Xu (Hangzhou High-throughput Drug Screening Center, China) <i>Precision targeted therapy for lung cancer: an irreversible wild-type sparing inhibitor of acquired EGFR T790M gatekeeper mutation</i>
16:20-16:40	Ke Ding (Guangzhou Institutes of Biomedicine and Health, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Targeting the undruggable target: identification of the first class of estrogen-related receptor agonists</i>
16:40-17:00	Hong Liu (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Structural modification and bioactivity evaluation of multi-targeted tetrahydroprotoberberine derivatives (THPBs)</i>
17:00-17:20	Deyong Ye (Fudan University, China) <i>The discovery of the first-class inhibitors of sphingomyelin synthase</i>
17:20-17:40	Yang Li (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Natural products bring out new generation of antipsychotic drugs</i>
Parallel session 2-4: Technology Moderators: Ho Jeong Kwon and Junko Ohkanda	
15:00-15:20	De-An Guo (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China) <i>Pharmacological tools for the development of traditional Chinese medicine</i>

15:20-15:40	Young-Tae Chang (National University of Singapore, Singapore) <i>Bioimaging probe development and drug screening</i>
15:40-16:00	Camilo Colaco (ImmunoBiology Ltd. UK) <i>Vaccine platforms targeting dendritic cells</i>
16:00-16:20	Xiaobo Wang (ACEA Biosciences, Inc., USA) <i>Real-time cell analysis: how a label-free technology is transforming cell biology and drug discovery</i>
16:20-16:40	Henry Ji (Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc., USA) <i>Human therapeutic antibodies and antibody-drug conjugate (ADC) technology</i>
16:40-17:00	Tian Xia (Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China) <i>Ultra high-throughput yeast chemical genomics for discovering mechanisms of bioactivity</i>
17:00-17:20	Yan Chang (National Shanghai Center for New Drug Safety Evaluation and Research, China) <i>Progress on regulatory genetic toxicology</i>
17:20-17:40	Ti He (Hangzhou Adicon Clinical Laboratories, Inc., China) <i>The challenges and solutions of companion diagnostics development during oncology trials</i>
Parallel session 5-2: Roundtable Discussion (15:00-17:40) <i>How to build a win-win R&D partnership?</i> Organizers: Pallo Høy Jakobsen and Adam Podmore	
Parallel session 4-2: Young Investigators' Forum (15:00-17:40) Organizer: Yi Zang Evaluation panel: Chen Chen, Jack Flanagan, Seung Bum Park, Rosanna Peeling and Beili Wu	
15:00-15:15	Yue-Ting Chen (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Design, synthesis, SAR and mechanistic studies of small molecules with spiro skeleton that promote induced pluripotent stem cells generation</i>
15:15-15:30	Jiejie Deng (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Label-free monitoring of T cell activation by the impedance-based xCELLigence system</i>
15:30-15:45	Chunyang Ding (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>Design, synthesis and anticancer activity of novel oridonin derivatives</i>
15:45-16:00	Guohuang Fan (GlaxoSmithKline R&D Shanghai, China) <i>Phenotypic screening of M1/M2 modulators for neurodegenerative disorders</i>
16:00-16:15	Xun Huang (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>JG6, a novel marine-derived oligosaccharide, suppresses breast cancer metastasis via binding to cofilin</i>
16:15-16:30	Yoonji Lee (Ewha Womans University, Korea) <i>Structural studies of transient receptor potential vanilloid type 1 (TRPV1) and the binding mode analysis of its modulators</i>
16:30-16:45	Tao Meng (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>The discovery and optimization of 4,5-diarylisoaxazole as ATP-competitive inhibitors of pyruvate dehydrogenase kinases</i>
16:45-17:00	Hua Zhang (Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences) <i>A biogenesis inspired example in the discovery of new bioactive molecules from a Chinese medicinal plant</i>
17:00-17:15	Li-Na Zhang (The National Center for Drug Screening, China) <i>Brown remodelling of white adipose tissue by small molecules</i>
17:30-17:40	Announcement of oral presentation prizes in the name of TiPS
Closing ceremony in the main hall	
17:40-17:50	Closing remarks: Professor Peter Shepherd Maurice Wilkins Centre and University of Auckland, New Zealand
18:00	Departure to the Culture Square by coach at the main entrance of Parkyard Hotel
19:15	Youth Inspirational Musical: <i>Nasirdin Afandi</i> entertained by Shanghai Municipal Government (by invitation only)
22:00	End of day 2 (return to Parkyard Hotel by coach)

三月宣言

我们,来自全球 17 个国家和地区、从事新药发现与开发的科学家、企业家、经理人和研究生相聚浦东张江,凭借 2014 年皇后镇分子生物学(上海)会议的互动平台,围绕“创新、技术与合作”这三大主题,介绍研究发现,交流专业信息,推广技术成果,切磋合作机遇,共商创新大计。

我们认识到救死扶伤,提高健康水平和推动社会发展是人类共同使命。在经济日趋全球化的今天,在生命科学领域的创新活动比任何时候都更需要身居世界各地“利益攸关者”的参与、贡献和分享。这种渴望合作的意愿超越国界、种族与文化差异,成为我们携手开拓的崇高理念。

我们所追求的愿景将在充分保障各“利益攸关者”自主知识产权和完全自愿的原则指导下,通过资源共享、人才共享、技术共享、信息共享、知识共享、经验共享、设备共享和成果共享等八种形式予以体现。这种共享机制不仅具有服务社会的公益性而且也为成果的产业化创造契机。

我们将以双边、多边和互利多赢的方式建立各类合作关系,利用浦东新区现有的人才、资金、政策及地理优势,以国家化合物样品库作为资源纽带、皇后镇分子生物学(上海)会议为沟通机制,创建“张江国际合作中心”,将其“药谷”打造成世界一流的药物与诊断技术创新平台。

March Manifesto

We scientists, entrepreneurs, managers and graduates from 17 different countries and regions across the world are gathering in Zhangjiang, Pudong to introduce scientific findings, exchange research information, promote novel technologies, discuss collaboration opportunities and converse on innovation plans utilizing the 2014 Queenstown Molecular Biology Meetings in Shanghai as a communication platform.

We recognize that healing the sick, helping the dying, improving welfare and health, and accelerating social development are common missions of mankind. With a continuously globalizing economy, the participation in, contribution to and sharing with innovative activities in the life sciences by stakeholders from every corner of the world has become more crucial than ever. Such a desire for cooperation is deeply rooted in our hearts irrespective of national border, race and culture, thereby becoming a noble cause for us to jointly pursue.

Under the principle of complete free-will and full protection of stakeholders' intellectual property rights, such vision is expected to be materialized by the sharing of discovery resources, human capital, technical capabilities, up-to-date information, scientific knowledge, research experiences, laboratory facilities and economic benefits. This unique mechanism of partnership not only satisfies the public interest by providing services to society but also reaps our endeavors a plethora of commercialization opportunities.

We intend to set up various types of collaborative efforts of bilateral, multi-lateral, mutual beneficial and "all-win" nature. We shall maximize existing strengths in Pudong relative to talent pool, available funds, preferential policies and geographic location, to establish "Zhangjiang International Collaboration Center", using the Chinese National Compound Library as a resource link and the Queenstown Molecular Biology (Shanghai) Meetings as a communication channel, with an ultimate goal of making the Zhangjiang "Pharma Valley" a world-class innovation launchpad for drug discovery and diagnostic technologies.

Manifeste de Mars

Nous, scientifiques, industriels, managers, et étudiants de 17 pays et régions du monde, sommes rassemblés à Zhangjiang, Pudong, pour présenter nos travaux scientifiques, parler de nos recherches, promouvoir les nouvelles technologies, discuter des opportunités de collaborations et des échanges concernant l'innovation en utilisant la réunion de Biologie Moléculaire de 2014 de Queenstown à Shanghai comme plateforme de communication.

Nous considérons que guérir les malades et venir en aide aux personnes en fin de vie, améliorer le bien-être et la santé, et accélérer le développement sociétal sont des missions communes à tout le genre humain. Avec une globalisation continue de l'économie, la participation et la contribution au partage des activités innovantes dans le domaine des sciences du vivant par les acteurs du monde entier sont devenues plus cruciales que jamais. Un tel désir de coopération est profondément enraciné dans nos cœurs, indépendamment des frontières, des populations et des cultures, devenant ainsi pour nous une cause noble à poursuivre ensemble.

Fondée sur le principe de libre arbitre et de complète protection des droits de propriété intellectuelle des participants, nous espérons qu'une telle vision se matérialise par le partage des ressources des découvertes, du capital humain, des capacités techniques, des dernières découvertes en date, des connaissances scientifiques, des expérimentations, des espaces de laboratoires et des bénéfices économiques. Cette méthode unique de partenariat ne satisfait pas seulement l'intérêt du public en offrant des services à la société, mais également en ouvrant la voie à de nombreuses opportunités de commercialisation, fruits de nos efforts communs.

Nous avons pour but de mettre en place plusieurs types de collaborations bilatérales et multilatérales, à bénéfice mutuel et dans une optique "gagnant-gagnant". Nous maximiseront les forces existantes à Pudong quant au vivier de talents, aux fonds disponibles, aux politiques et aux différentes régions géographiques, afin d'établir le "Centre de Partenariat International de Zhangjiang". Pour cela, nous utiliserons la Banque Nationale Chinoise de Composés comme un lien et les réunions de Biologie Moléculaires de Queenstown à Shanghai comme un circuit de communication, avec pour but ultime de faire de la "Vallée Pharmaceutique" de Zhangjiang une aire de développement innovant, et reconnue mondialement, pour la découverte de nouveaux médicaments et de nouvelles technologies diagnostiques.

三月宣言

私たち、世界17の異なる国と地域から来た科学者、企業家、経営者と大学院生は2014年上海でのクイーンズタウンの分子生物学会議を活用し、そのコミュニケーションプラットフォームとして、「革新・技術・協力」この3大テーマをめぐり、互いの科学的発見を紹介、研究情報を交換、また新しい技術を促進、さらには共同での作業の機会について検討し、イノベーションプランを対話するために浦東張江に集まっています。

私たちは、病気の人々を治し、死に瀕する人々を救い、福祉および健康状態を改善し、社会の発展を推進することが人類共通の使命と認識しています。この日々グローバル化する経済の中で、世界各地から「ステークホルダー（利益の関わる者）」による生命科学の領域での革新活動に参加、貢献、共有をすることはこれまでにない重要になっています。このような国境、人種と文化を越えた私たちの心に深く根付いている協力への渴望は、共に私たちが追及すべき崇高な理念になります。

ステークホルダーの知的所有権の完全な自由意志と十分な保護の原理の下では、資源、人材、技術力、最新情報、科学知識、研究経験、実験室施設および経済的便益の共有によってそのようなビジョンが実現されると予想されます。協力のこのユニークなメカニズムは社会に対して提供する貢献によって公益を満たすだけでなく、私たちにあり余るほどの商業化機会をも創造することでしょう。

私たちは両側面、それ以上の多側面の相互利益と勝利のための様々なタイプの協力体制を設立するつもりです。私たちは、創薬および診断の技術のために張江「Pharma Valley」を世界一流のイノベーションの発射台にするという究極のゴールと共に、中国の国家化合物ライブラリーを資源リンクとして、また、クイーンズタウン分子生物学（上海）会議を通信チャンネルとして、「張江国際協力センター」を確立するために人材、資金、優先的政策および地理的位置に関して浦東新区での既存の強さを最大限に発揮します。

3월 선언

전세계 17개 국가와 지역에서 신약개발에 종사하는 과학자, 기업가, 경영자와 대학원생들이 Zhangjiang, Pudong에 모여 "혁신과 기술 및 협력"을 주제로 하는 "2014 Queenstown Molecular Biology Meetings in Shanghai"에서 연구성과와 정보를 교류할 것입니다.

질병에 대한 치료 및 건강과 복지 수준에 대한 향상은 인류 공통의 과제입니다. 경제가 나날이 발전하고 있는 현재, 생명과학 영역에서의 혁신 활동은 그 어느 때보다 세계 각지의 이해관계자들의 참여 및 공헌과 공유가 필요한 시점입니다. 이런 협력에 대한 바램은 국경과 인종, 문화적 차이를 초월하여 우리 모두가 함께 추구하는 고귀한 이유가 되었습니다.

이러한 비전은 이해관계자들의 지식재산권을 보장하고 자유의지의 원칙하에 자원, 인재, 기술, 정보, 지식, 경험, 시설과 성과를 공유함으로써 실현될 것입니다. 이와 같이 독특한 동반자적 체계는 사회의 공익성에 기여를 할 뿐만 아니라 성과의 산업화에도 좋은 기회를 만들어 줄 것입니다.

우리는 상호적, 다각적, 상호간 이익을 얻는 협력 방식으로 Pudong신지역이 현재 보유하고 있는 인재, 자금, 정책과 지리적인 이점을 이용하고 중국 국가 화합물 라이브러리(Chinese National Compound Library)를 연결고리 삼아, Queenstown Molecular Biology (Shanghai) Meetings를 교류 경로로 하여 "Zhangjiang 국제협력중심"을 만들 것입니다. 그리하여 궁극적으로 이러한 Zhangjiang "Pharma Valley"를 약물과 진단기술에 있어 세계적 수준의 혁신의 발판으로 삼으려 합니다.

三月宣言

我們，來自全球 17 個國家和地區、從事新藥發現與開發的科學家、企業家、經理人和研究生相聚浦東張江，憑借 2014 年皇後鎮分子生物學(上海)會議的互動平臺，圍繞“創新、技術與合作”這三大主題，介紹研究發現，交流專業信息，推廣技術成果，切磋合作機遇，共商創新大計。

我們認識到救死扶傷，提高健康水平和推動社會發展是人類的共同使命。在經濟日趨全球化的今天，在生命科學領域的創新活動比任何時候都更需要身居世界各地“利益攸關者”的參與、貢獻和分享。這種渴望合作的意願超越國界、種族與文化差異，成為我們攜手開拓的崇高理念。

我們所追求的願景將在充分保障各“利益攸關者”自主知識產權和完全自願的原則指導下，通過資源共享、人才共享、技術共享、信息共享、知識共享、經驗共享、設備共享和成果共享等八種形式予以體現。這種共享機制不僅具有服務社會的公益性而且也為成果的產業化創造契機。

我們將以雙邊、多邊和互利多贏的方式建立各類合作關係，利用浦東新區現有的人才、資金、政策及地理優勢，以國家化合物樣品庫作為資源紐帶、皇後鎮分子生物學(上海)會議為溝通機制，創建“張江國際合作中心”，將其“藥谷”打造成世界一流的藥物與診斷技術創新平臺。

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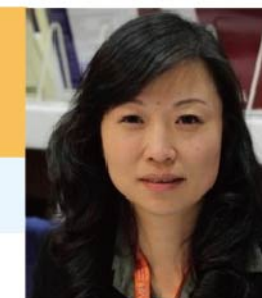
Chris Battershill became inaugural Professor and Chair of Coastal Science, University of Waikato in January 2011. Prior to that, he was Leader of the Marine Resources and Biodiversity Teams at the Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS) for twelve years.

He completed his Ph.D. at Auckland University in 1986 then undertook a 3-year Research Fellowship funded through the National Cancer Institute (US) based at the University of Canterbury, leading the New Zealand shallow water collection program for drug discovery. He did postdoctoral work in Australia and then worked in New Zealand for 11 years focusing on sustainability of marine resource use, building capacity in research associated with marine drug discovery.

Projects are current from the high tropics to the Antarctic and throughout New Zealand. Of note in recent times, has been working associated with advancing a number of FDA registered anti-tumour active drug leads from New Zealand and Australia (including the new drug Halaven®), through solving supply issues of the lead marine natural product. Publications include co-authorship of 3 books and over 100 international peer reviewed research publications. He is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Western Australia and James Cook University.

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Young-Tae Chang was born in Busan, Korea in 1968. He studied chemistry in Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH, Korea) and received his B.S. in 1991. After one and a half years of army service in Korea, he started his graduate study at POSTECH and received a Ph.D. in 1997 under the supervision of Prof. Sung-Kee Chung, working on the divergent synthesis of all possible regioisomers of myo-inositol phosphates. He did his postdoctoral work with Prof. Peter Schultz at UC Berkeley and The Scripps Research Institute. In 2000, he was appointed as an assistant professor at New York University and promoted to associated professor in 2005. He received the NSF Career Award in 2005 and his research interests have been chemical genetics, molecular evolution, and artificial tongues. In September, 2007, he moved to National University of Singapore and Singapore Bioimaging Consortium. He is a full Professor of Chemistry and leader of Medicinal Chemistry Program of NUS, and Laboratory Head of Bioimaging Probe Development at SBIC, Biopolis. He published more than 200 scientific papers, 3 books and filed 30 patents so far.

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Dr. Chen has a Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, and obtained his postdoctoral training at Texas A&M University, with Nobel Laureate, Professor Sir Derek H.R. Barton, at the University of Illinois, Chicago. He spent 15 years at Neurocrine as Scientist to Senior Director of Medicinal Chemistry. In his research and management positions, Dr. Chen has achieved many outstanding scientific and industrial accomplishments, including the development of the very first CRF antagonist NBI-30775 into clinical studies, and two small molecule antagonists, NBI-42902 and elagolix, of the GnRH receptor, and the later one is currently in phase III clinical trials. Dr. Chen has extensive experience in CNS drug research and in GPCRs as drug targets. His research interests extend to clinic pharmacokinetics of small molecules.

Dr. Chen has served as Sundia's CEO since 2012. He has published about 130 scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals and written numerous review articles on the topics of drug discovery and medicinal chemistry. He has been invited to give presentations in numerous scientific conferences such as the Gordon Research Conference of Medicinal Chemistry and the ACS National Meeting.

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Dr. Sun Choi is a professor at the College of Pharmacy and Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Ewha Womans University, Seoul, Korea. After obtaining her Ph.D. in Medicinal Chemistry from the State University of New York at Buffalo, USA, she joined Prof. Richard B. Silverman's laboratory in Department of Chemistry and Drug Discovery Program at Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, USA. From 2001 to 2005, she worked as a molecular modeler and computational chemist at the molecular design group in Tripos, Inc., St. Louis, MO, USA. Then, she joined Ewha Womans University as a faculty member, where she has been an associate professor since 2011. Her research focuses on the state-of-the-art technologies of computer-aided drug design, cheminformatics, computational medicinal chemistry, and biomolecular simulations. Based on these computational methods, she has been conducting multiple research projects targeting therapeutically important enzymes, GPCRs, and ion channels. Active interdisciplinary collaborations are on-going for drug discovery in various diseases such as cancer, viral infections, pain, cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, etc. Since 2011, her laboratory has been designated as the National Leading Research Laboratory (NLRL) by the Korean government.

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Having graduated from the University of London with a first class (Honors) degree in Biochemistry, Dr. Colaco did his Ph.D. at the NIMR in Mill Hill. After an AHA-BHF fellowship at CALTECH in Pasadena, he returned to the ICRF Laboratories before taking up a lectureship at Cambridge via a Royal Society fellowship at EMBL in Heidelberg. After setting up the first molecular biology laboratory at the Medical School in Cambridge he moved from academic to translational science in 1990, founding the Quadrant Research Foundation to develop technologies for the conversion of fragile biologicals into stable formats that do not need refrigeration. These were commercialized by Quadrant Healthcare PLC, which was listed on the LSE and subsequently purchased by the US biotech Elan Inc. In 2000, based on his seminal identification of the dendritic cell as the key integrator of innate and acquired immunity, Dr. Colaco started ImmunoBiology Ltd to develop the next generation of vaccines for infectious diseases and cancer.

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Professor Cooper undertook doctoral studies at the University of Oxford (1986-1989), discovering amylin and inventing amylin-based therapy for diabetes (FDA-registered 2005). He develops rigorous molecular descriptions of the pathogenesis of diabetes/complications, and has strong interests in proof-of-principle clinical studies and developing new therapies for diabetes and its complications.

In 1987 Prof. Cooper became the Founder and sole founding scientist of Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Inc., having discovered/invented its core technologies, and served as its Founding Chief Technical Officer until 1991. Prof Cooper is also active in developing intellectual property positions related to his research and has been awarded numerous international patents.

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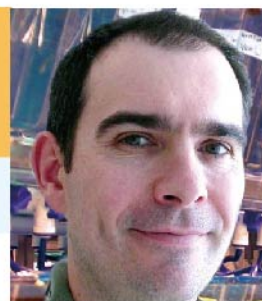
Biography:

Professor Zhanfeng Cui is the Donald Pollock Professor of Chemical Engineering, University of Oxford since the Chair was established in 2000. He is the founding Director of the Oxford Centre for Tissue Engineering and Bioprocessing (OCTEB). He was educated in China and got his B.Sc. from Inner Mongolia University of Technology (1982) and M.Sc. (1984) and Ph.D. (1987) from Dalian University of Technology. After a postdoctoral experience in Strathclyde University in Scotland, he joined Edinburgh University as a Lecturer in Chemical Engineering (1991). He then held academic appointments at Oxford Engineering Science Department as University Lecturer (1994-1998) and Reader (1999-2000). He was a Visiting Professor of Georgia Institute of Technology, USA (1999), the Brown Intertec Visiting Professor to University of Minnesota, USA (2004), and a Chang-Jiang Visiting Professor to Dalian University of Technology, China (2005-2009). He is a Chartered Engineer, a Chartered Scientist and a Fellow of the Institution of Chemical Engineers. In 2009 he was awarded a Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) by Oxford University to recognise his research achievements. He was elected to a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering, UK, in 2013.

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Dear Ming Wei,

I am very sorry to inform you that I would have to cancel my trip to Shanghai this month due to other urgent matters. I was really looking forward to this...my apologies.

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Most importantly, his group has recently determined the crystal structure of rhodopsin bound to arrestin by femtosecond X-ray laser, the first de novo membrane protein complex solved by this revolutionary technology. The structure reveals an unexpected conformational changes in a GPCR for arrestin coupling, and provides a new paradigm of cell signaling by a highly dynamic molten globule protein – arrestin.

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