



The 18th Annual South-Western Regional Technology Conference

“Green Earth and Beyond”

Saturday, February 9, 2008

Conference Location:

California Institute of Technology

Beckman Institute Auditorium is on Wilson Ave. just south of Del Mar Ave (across from the parking garages) you will see a large plot of grass. Behind the grass area is a large building with arches and Beckman Institute written at the top of the building. Walk through the arches into a courtyard and Beckman Institute Auditorium is the building on the north side of the courtyard.



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Conference Schedule

8:30 AM – 7:30 PM

8:30 – 9:20	Registration & Breakfast Beckman Institute Classrooms 115 & 121			
9:20 – 12:00	General Session Beckman Institute Auditorium (Room 134)			
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch Beckman Institute Courtyard & Classrooms 115 & 121			
1:00 – 5:20	Career Session Beckman Institute Auditorium (Room 134)			
1:00 – 5:20	Parallel Sessions			
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	CEE	ACC	BME	WLS
	MEAT	EPS	CSIT	MLS
		PMS		
	ACC:	Applied Chemistry and Chemical Engineering		
	BME:	Biomedical Engineering		
	CEE:	Civil and Environmental Engineering		
	CSIT:	Computer and Information Technologies		
	EPS:	Earth and Planetary Science		
	MEAT:	Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace Technology		
	MLS:	Medical and Life Sciences		
	PMS:	Physical and Materials Science		
	WLS:	Women in Life Science		
5:30 – 7:30	Dinner Recreation Room			

General Session

9:20 AM – 12:00 PM

- 9:20 – 9:25 **Opening Remarks**
Dr. Jane Oh, President of KSEA-SC, JPL/NASA, Caltech
- 9:25 – 9:30 **Welcoming Remarks**
Dr. Thomas H. Hahn, Professor, University of California, LA
- 9:30 – 10:20 **"Building a 21st Century Research University"**
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Sung-Mo Steve Kang
Chancellor, University of California, Merced
- 10:20 – 11:10 **"Recent Studies on Emerging Pollutants of Concern: Advanced Oxidation as a Preferred Treatment Option"**
Invited Speaker: Dr. William J. Cooper
Professor and Director, University of California, Irvine
- 11:10 – 12:00 **"California Climate Ain't What It Used to Be!"**
Invited Speaker: Dr. William Patzert
Climatologist, JPL /NASA, California Institute of Technology

Career Session

1:00 PM – 5:20 PM

Moderator: Alice Oh, JP Morgan Chase

- 1:00 – 1:15 **"Current and Future Opportunity in Biomedical Field"**
Dr. Jae Jung, Professor and Chair, USC Medical School
- 1:15 – 1:30 **"Making Decision on Career Choice"**
Dr. Jungyeol Oh, Psychologist, Counseling
- 1:30 – 1:45 **"20 Different Specialties in Veterinary Medicine"**
Dr. Lyon Lee, Professor, W. Univ. of Health Science
- 1:45 – 2:00 **"The Path of a Scientist Lawyer"**
Dr. Joseph Kim, Attorney at Law, Biotechnology Patent
- 2:00 – 2:15 **"Career as a Government Employee"**
Mr. Steve J Lee, PE, Dept. of Transportation, State of California
- 2:15 – 2:30 **"Finding a Job After College--Or Better Yet, During"**
Mr. Josh Choi, MS, Computer Scientist, JPL/NASA, Caltech
- 2:30 – 2:45 **"Cardiology opportunity for the 21st Century"**
Dr. Greg Hong, Cardiologist, Good Heart Cardiology
- 2:45 – 3:00 **"Personal Reflection on My Career and KSEA"**
Dr. Chueng Ji, Professor, NCSU, KSEA Vice President
- 3:00 – 3:20 **BREAK**
- 3:20 – 3:30 **"KSEA-SC Mentor / Mentee Program"**
Mr. Sun Yu, BT, KSEA-SC Mentor Program Director
- 3:30 – 5:20 **Career Panel Discussion and Q&A**
Moderator: Mr. Josh Choi, JPL/NASA, Caltech

1:00 PM – 5:20 PM

ACC: Applied Chemistry and Chemical Engineering

Chair: Dr. Chan S. Park, University of California, Riverside

Co-Chair: Dr. Kyung Woon Jung, USC & Dr. Ray Won, Fluor Enterprises, Inc.

- 1:00 – 1:20 **"NMR Study of Metal Hydrides for Hydrogen Storage"**
Dr. Chul Kim, Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Caltech
- 1:20 – 1:40 **"Investigation of diesel-powered engine emissions: Effect of fuel types and control technology"**
Dr. Kwangsam Na, Center for Environmental Research and Technology at UC Riverside
- 1:40 – 2:00 **"Chemistry at the Interface of Academia and Industry"**
Dr. Kyung Woon Jung and Dr. Kyung Soo Yoo Loker Hydrocarbon Research Institute at Department of Chemistry, USC
- 2:00 – 2:20 **"Theoretical Study of Xe Clathrate Hydrate Structure I by ab initio Calculations for the 129Xe Chemical Shifts and the Dissociation Potential Energy Surface"**
Mr. Myongho Jeong, Dept. of Chemistry and Biochemistry, CSU, LA

EPS: Earth and Planetary Science

Chair: Mr. Jason Hyon, Chief Technologist, JPL/NASA, Caltech

- 2:20 – 2:40 **"Sensor Web for Earth Science"**
Dr. Meemong Lee, JPL/NASA, Caltech
- 2:40 – 3:00 **"Laboratory Spectroscopy and Atmospheric Remote Sensing using Fourier Transform Spectrometers"**
Dr. Keeyoon Sung, JPL/NASA, Caltech
- 3:00 – 3:20 **BREAK**
- 3:20 – 3:40 **"Reducing the Uncertainties of Global Soil Moisture Retrieval Using Passive Microwave Remote Sensing"**
Dr. Kyoung Wook Jin, JPL/NASA, Caltech
- 3:40 – 4:00 **"Characterizing Mega-city Pollution and Its Regional Impact with TES Measurements"**
Dr. Changsub Shim, JPL/NASA, Caltech
- 4:00 – 4:20 **"NASA Earth Science Decadal Survey results"**
Mr. Jason Hyon, Chief Technologist, JPL/NASA, Caltech

PMS: Physical and Materials Science

Chair: Dr. Jeong Sun Moon, HRL

Co-Chair: Dr. Joon Hyun Park, CERES & Dr. Hyung Jin Choi, KCSE Inc.

- 4:20 – 4:40 **"Bioenergy project - A visionary, yet realistic, approach"**
Dr. Jun-Hyun Park, CERES
- 4:40 – 5:00 **"Survey of Photolithography Industry - A Physicist's View"**
Dr. Peter Oh, Cymer
- 5:00 – 5:20 **"Membrane-less Glucose/O₂ biofuel cell based on CNT electrode"**
Dr. Jongeun Ryu, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Dept, UCLA

1:00 PM – 4:40 PM

BME: Biomedical Engineering**Chair: Dr. Dongwoo Kang, Pfizer Inc.****Co-Chair: Dr. Seik Oh, Baxter Inc. & Mr. Sungwook Woo, Cal Tech**

- 1:00 – 1:20 **“Development of acoustic tweezers using high frequency ultrasonic transducers”**
Dr. Jungwoo Lee, Univ. of Southern California
- 1:20 – 1:40 **“Ubiquitous health monitoring: implantable sensors and data reduction scheme”**
Dr. Steve Koh, St. Jude Medical, Inc.
- 1:40 – 2:00 **“Validation of nonlinear mixed effects model”**
Dr. Kyun Seop Bae, Asan Medical Center, University of Ulsan
- 2:00 – 2:20 **“Considerations for modeling FDG SUV from oncology trials”**
Dr. Dongwoo Kang, Pfizer Inc.

CSIT: Computer Science and Information Technologies**Chair: Dr. Jongwook Woo, CSU, Los Angeles****Co-Chair: Dr. Taehyung Wang, CSU, Northridge & Dr. Jihie Kim, USC**

- 2:20 – 2:40 **“A Computer Simulation for Modeling the Content of the Universe through Observations of High-Redshift Supernovae”**
Drs. Eun-Young Kang, M. Mijic, and T. Longson, CSU, LA
- 2:40 – 3:00 **“A New Resource Management Paradigm for High Performance Distributed Computing”**
Dr. Yang-Suk Kee, Information Sciences Institute, USC
- 3:00 – 3:20 **BREAK**
- 3:20 – 3:40 **“An Intelligent Discussion-Bot for Guiding Student Interactions in Threaded Discussions”**
Dr. Jihie Kim, Information Sciences Institute, USC
- 3:40 – 4:00 **“Open Source and Web 2.0”**
Dr. Taehyung Wang, Department of Computer Science, CSU, Northridge
- 4:00 – 4:20 **“Geographic routing for wireless networks”**
Dr. Young-Jin Kim, Embedded Networks Lab, USC
- 4:20 – 4:40 **“CMS in e-Business architecture”**
Dr. Jongwook Woo, Computer Information Systems Dept, CSU, Los Angeles

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

CEE: Civil and Environmental Engineering**Chair: Dr. Youn Sim, County of Los Angeles****Co-Chair: Mr. Jason Choi & Mr. Lee Yoo, Orange County**

- 1:00 – 1:20 **“Development and application of low-cost biopolymer-based adsorptive media for arsenic, chromium, and selenium removal”**
Dr. Joon Min, Carollo Engineers
- 1:20 – 1:40 **“Cable-stayed bridge – Cable Vibrations: Design code interpretation of a cable-stayed bridge”**
Dr. Kookjoon Ahn, California Department of Transportation
- 1:40 – 2:00 **“Ground improvement of embankment over highly compressible soft clay and muck”**
Dr. Seungwoon Han, California Department of Transportation
- 2:00 – 2:20 **“Occurrence of endocrine - Disrupting chemicals in indoor dust and exposure risk assessment”**
Dr. Hyun Min Hwang, University of California, Davis
- 2:20 – 2:40 **“Amazing – the rebuilding of the MacArthur maze: Video of the sequence of events and rebuilding of the 580-880 interchange”**
Mr. Jun K. Jung, California Department of Transportation
- 2:40 – 3:00 **“CA4PRS, a design-construction-traffic integration tool for urban highway projects”**
Dr. Eul-Bum Lee, University of California, Berkeley
- 3:00 – 3:20 **BREAK**
- 3:20 – 3:40 **“Use of Bubble Curtain during large pile driving”**
Mr. Sung-Kwon Moon, California Department of Transportation
- 3:40 – 4:00 **“When it rains, where does it go and why do we care?”**
Dr. Youn Sim, County of Los Angeles
- 4:00 – 4:20 **“Vibration due to pile driving”**
Mr. Yeo Hoon Yoon, California Department of Transportation
- MEAT: Mechanical Engineering/Aerospace Technology**
Chair: Mr. Chanho Lee, Boeing
- 4:20 – 4:40 **“Towards Development of a Self-Healing Composite using a Mendable Polymer and Resistive Heating”**
Mr. Jong Se Park, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace engineering, University of California, Los Angeles
- 4:40 – 5:00 **“The effect of the addition of a dielectric nanoparticle on microwave properties of magnetic polymer composites”**
Dr. Sang Eui Lee, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace engineering, University of California, Los Angeles
- 5:00 – 5:20 **“Thin Film NiTi Biomedical Applications”**
Mr. Young Jae Chun, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace engineering, University of California, Los Angeles

1:00 PM – 5:20 PM

WLS: Women in Life Sciences**Chair: Dr. Sanghee Yoo, Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.; Co-Chair: Dr. Haejung An, USC**

- 1:00 – 1:20 **“A MAP kinase cascade required for fungal development and secondary metabolism”**
Dr. Kyungsoon Park, Dept. of Plant Pathology, U of Calif., Riverside
- 1:20 – 1:40 **“Opportunities and obstacles using small non-coding RNAs as drug discovery tools”**
Dr. Nansook Lee, Div. of Molecular Medicine, City of Hope Beckman Research Institute
- 1:40 – 2:00 **“Overcoming drug resistance in leukemia by targeting Bcl-2 family proteins”**
Dr. Min Hui Kang, USC Childrens Hospital LA
- 2:00 – 2:20 **“Target validation using adeno-associated viral vectors”**
Dr. Kijeong Lee, Amgen
- 2:20 – 2:40 **“Identification of subtype selective agonists for muscarinic receptors”**
Dr. Sanghee Yoo, Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.

2:40 – 3:00 **BREAK****MLS: Medical and Life Sciences****Chair: Dr. Kwang Jin Kim, USC; Co-Chair: Dr. Woojin An, USC & Dr. Jae Jung, USC**

- 3:00 – 3:20 **“Preclinical Evaluation of CBP/β-catenin Inhibition as a New Strategy for Drug Resistant Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia”**
Dr. Yong Mi Kim, USC Childrens Hospital LA
- 3:20 – 3:40 **“Isolation and Characterization of a Novel H1.2 Complex That Acts as a Repressor of p53-Mediated Transcription”**
Mr. Kyung Hwan Kim, Dept. of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, USC
- 3:40 – 4:00 **“Toll-like receptor 2-dependent NFB activation is involved in nontypeable Haemophilus influenzae-induced MCP-1 up-regulation in the spiral ligament fibrocytes of the inner ear”**
Dr. Sung-Kyun Moon, Dept. of Cell & Molecular Biology, House Ear Institute
- 4:00 – 4:20 **“Wnt signaling in the degeneration of mouse hippocampal neuron”**
Dr. Eekhoon Jho, Dept. of Life Science, Univ. of Seoul
- 4:20 – 4:40 **“Non-human primate model of Kaposi’s sarcoma-associated herpes virus infection”**
Dr. Hee Soon Chang, Dept. of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology, USC
- 4:40 – 5:00 **“Pathological arterialization of developing lymphatics in Down syndrome fetus”**
Dr. Young-Kwon Hong, Norris Cancer Research, USC School of Medicine
- 5:00 – 5:20 **“The Rad9-Hus1-Rad1 Checkpoint Clamp Regulates Interaction of TopBP1 with ATR”**
Dr. Joon Lee, Div. of Biology, California Institute of Technology

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