

FRIDAY SYNTHESIS SYMPOSIUM: Fall 2014 / Spring 2015
 4 pm on Fridays in 209 Havemeyer

Date	Speaker	Title
Oct 24:	Linda Suen (Leighton Group)	<i>Methodological Innovations in Efforts Toward the Synthesis of Spongistatin I</i>
Oct 31:	Mark Hendricks (Owen Group)	<i>A Library of Substituted Thiourea Precursors for Metal Sulfide Nanocrystal Synthesis</i>
Nov 14:	Eric Nacsa (Lambert Group)	<i>Higher-Order Cyclopropenimine Superbases</i>
Nov 21:	Dr. Michael Wilsdorf (Lambert Group)	<i>A Convergent Total Synthesis of γ-Rubromycin</i>
Dec 12:	Spencer Brucks & Jessica Freyer (Campos Group)	<i>The Evolution of the Cyclopropenium Ion into Functional Polymers and Self Assembled Structures</i>
Jan 9:	Dr. Jim Stevens (Dow Chemical)	<i>Polyethylene by Molecular Design: How Organometallic Catalyst Research Enables Innovation in Large-Scale Polymers</i>
Jan 23:	Prof. Laura Fabris (Rutgers University)	<i>Tuning morphology and assembly of gold nanoparticles toward optimized near field enhancement</i>
Jan 30:	Michael Eberhart (Norton Group)	<i>The Chemistry of Copper Hydride Clusters and Their Catalytic Behavior</i>
Feb 6:	Zara Seibel (Lambert Group)	<i>Carbonyl-Olefin Metathesis</i>
Feb 13:	Michelle Neary (Parkin Group)	<i>Cyclopentadienyl molybdenum hydrides and their reactivity towards formic acid</i>
Feb 20:	Jonathan Kuo (Norton Group)	<i>Radical Cyclization of Enol Ethers by Hydrogen Atom Transfer</i>
Feb 27:	Dr. Alexandra Velian (Nuckolls Group)	<i>Taming Reactive Phosphorus Intermediates with Anthracene</i>
March 6:	Dr. Kevin Williamson (Leighton Group)	<i>Regio- and Stereo-Selective Oxyaminations with N-Sulfonyl Oxaziridines</i>
March 13:	Helen Tran (Campos Group)	<i>Block Copolymer Templates for Functional Nanostructured Materials</i>
April 10:	Bonnie Choi (Roy Group)	<i>Bridging the Gap in the Superatomic Periodic Table: Synthesis and Properties of Manganese Chalcogenide Clusters</i>

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April 17:	Dr. Adrian Ortiz (BMS)	<i>Development of an Innovative and Stereoselective Synthesis of BMS-986001</i>
April 24:	Travis Valadez (Norton Group)	<i>C,C Couplings in the Reactions of Electron Deficient Group 4 Diene Complexes with Isonitriles</i>
May 1:	Michael Campos (Owen Group)	<i>Addressing Challenges in Nanocrystal Synthesis with Tunable Precursor Platforms</i>
May 8:	Nathaniel Kim (Leighton Group)	<i>Single Molecule Conductance of Chiral Silacycles</i>
May 22:	Prof. Neal Devaraj (UCSD)	<i>Developing Selective Conjugation Reactions for Applications in Cellular Imaging and Synthetic Biology</i>

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