

Rutgers-NSF IGERT Project: Renewable and Sustainable Fuels Solutions
Third Annual International Summer Symposium:
On the path to sustainable and renewable fuels solutions: securing our planet's future.

June 4-6, 2012

Douglass Campus Center, Traves Hall

(100 George Street, Cook-Douglass Campus, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ 08901)

NOTE: New location this year

Agenda (this version as of May 23, 2012; subject to change; check back for updates)

Monday, June 4

2:15 - 3:00 PM	Registration & Poster Set-Up
3:00 - 3:15 PM	Day 1 Opening Remarks Eric Lam, Rutgers University (PI, Renewable and Sustainable Fuels IGERT)
3:15 - 3:55 PM	Opening Presentation: The Continuing Story of Sugar Cane to Bioethanol in Brazil Dr. Marcos Buckeridge, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil
3:55 - 4:15 PM	Special Update: The Sugarcane Genome Sequencing Initiative (SUGESI): Recent Findings & Implications Dr. Marie-Anne Van Sluys, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil
4:15- 4:30PM	Break
4:30 - 5:45 PM	Technical Session: Social and Economic Dimensions of Energy Choices Dr. Frank Felder, Rutgers University (Center for Energy, Environment, and Economic Policy) 2 nd speaker being finalized IGERT Trainees Elizabeth Hewitt, Deborah Scott
5:45 - 7:30 PM:	Poster Session and Networking Reception/Mixer

Tuesday, June 5

8:30 - 9:00 AM	Registration. Coffee/tea/juice/pastries. Poster Viewing
9:00 - 9:30 AM	Day 2 Opening Remarks Dr. Eric Lam, Rutgers University (PI, Renewable and Sustainable Fuels IGERT) Dr. Robert Goodman, Executive Dean, Rutgers School of Environmental and Biological Sciences
9:30 - 10:40 AM	Technical Session: Enabling Sustainable Biofuel Production from Algae Dr. Jose Olivares, Los Alamos National Laboratory IGERT Trainees Joomi Kim, Tracy Busse (tentative)
10:40 - 10:55 AM	Break
10:55 - 12:45 PM	Technical Session: Advanced Biofuels Production: a Case for Small Systems Dr. Zia Abdullah, Battelle Memorial Institute Dr. Mark Peters, U. of the Witwatersrand, South Africa (tentative) Dr. Alan Goldman, Rutgers University IGERT Trainees Amanda Luther, Mark Rodgers
12:45-1:45-	Lunch. Poster Viewing
1:45-2:00 PM	Afternoon Opening Remarks
2:00 - 3:15 PM	Technical Session: Biodiversity, Bioprospecting, and Sustainability of Energy Crops Dr. Chunlin Long, Kunming Institute of Biology, Kunming, & Minzu University, Beijing, China 2 nd speaker being finalized IGERT Trainee Shannon Morath
3:15 - 3:30 PM	Break
3:30 - 5:20 PM	Technical Session: Plant Breeding and Transgenics for Next-Generation Fuels Solutions Dr. Glauca Souza, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil Dr. Ming Peng, Chinese Academy of Tropical Agricultural Sciences, Hainan, China IGERT Trainees Tiffany Louie, Philomena Chu
5:20 - 5:30 PM	Day 2 Closing Remarks
5:45, onward	Social Mixer and Dinner (at Rutgers University Inn and Conference Center)

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Wednesday, June 6

9:00-9:30 AM	Morning Coffee/Tea/Light Breakfast Foods
9:30-10:30 AM	Open "Town Hall" Discussions
10:30-11:30 AM	Break-out Groups/Working Meetings - for planning of future collaborations and activities
This day is intended primarily for IGERT stakeholders, however it is open to all who wish to attend.	

Poster Session:

- The Poster Session will include contributions from (i) IGERT Trainees and their home research groups (ii) other students of IGERT faculty doing research in renewable and sustainable energy, broadly defined (iii) research groups of invited speakers and other international and educational outreach partners.
- Presenters will staff their posters during the first hour of the Poster Session and Reception /Mixer on Monday evening.
- Posters will be also available for unattended viewing from the Symposium Opening on Monday until Day 2 closing on Tuesday afternoon.
- A limited number of spaces may be available for additional posters related to the theme of renewable and sustainable fuels solutions, broadly defined. To inquire about this, please e-mail askigert@rci.rutgers.edu or call 848-932-6211.

Reminders:

- There is no registration fee for the conference itself, but registration is required because space is limited.
- Registration includes:
 - All oral sessions, plus their breaks and light refreshments
 - The Poster Session and Reception/Mixer on Monday night.
(The reception will include substantial hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer, and non-alcoholic beverages.)
- Lunch and dinner on Tuesday, June 5 are also provided, but with modest charges to defray costs.
(Discounted rate for all students and postdocs; and no charges for IGERT Trainees, IGERT faculty advisors, and invited Symposium speakers.)
- Further information is available on the registration site.

To register, please visit: <http://igert4fuels.rutgers.edu>