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ReDI Third Annual Symposium May 15 &16, 2023 Rubin Campus Center



May 15th, 2023

Innovation:

1:30pm - 1:55pm: Coffee, Pastries and Networking

2:00pm – 2:05pm: ReDI Innovation Introduction, Bogdan Vernescu, Vice Provost for Research

2:05pm – 3:00pm: Panel 1 - WPI Emerging and Earliest Startups: Jeremy Hitchcock, Trustee Moderator

- ➤ Joseph Yu Using Immune Footprints for diagnostics
- ➤ Maanav Iyengar Phase Maze
- ➤ Adam Powell Excava
- ➤ Amelia Thomas River Otter Renewables

3:00pm - 3:55pm: Panel 2 - WPI Existing Startups & More Established Companies: Henry Fitzgerald, Trustee Moderator

- ➤ Laxmi Wordham Bright Feeds
- ➤ Daniel Pelaez Cyvl
- ➤ Charlie Maddox Enzymatic
- ➤ Joanne Luca Life Instruments

4:00pm – 4:55pm: NAI Highlights / Overview and Award Winners

4:55pm – 5:00pm: Wrap-up, Bogdan Vernescu

5:00pm – 6:30pm: Poster and Cocktail Reception

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WPI Research Poster and Cocktail Reception - May 15th, 5:00-6:30pm:

Author(s)	Poster / Research Topic Title
Sergey Makaroff (WPI), William Wartman (WPI), Zhi-De Deng (NIH), Aapo Nummenmaa (MGH)	Charge-Based Brain Modeling Engine at Mesoscale and Multiscale
Kevin Keating, Emma Tobin, Zekun Li, Joseph Collins, Nilesh Sharma; Eric Young	Modular Part Sets for Metabolic Engineering of Nonconventional Yeast and Bacteria
Elizabeth Crowley, Nicole Hermance, and Amity Manning	Mitotic mechanisms to maintain genomic stability
Yu Zhong, Songge Yang	The effect of A-site doping elements and concentrations on the diffusivity and ionic conductivity of $La2NiO4+\delta$ studied by ab initio calculations
Ben Nephew; Wesley Lo; Dmitry Korkin; Senbao Lu; Angela Rodriguez; Richard Lopez	Machine Learning-Based Prediction of Mental Health Outcomes in High School Students
Kellie Bushe, Brenton Faber PhD, NRP, Danielle Heims-Waldron, Liza Hote, James Ledwith, MD, Sahil Nawab, David Runyan, Sassicaia Schick MPH, Omar Taweh	A Lower Threshold for Cardiovascular Disease Testing at a Free Medical Service
Sara Saberi	Harnessing Blockchain to Achieve Sustainable Supply Chain Management
Joseph Adegite (WPI MME), Mert Vural (WPI MME), Ritwik Pandey (WPI RBE), Rao Pratap (WPI MME)	Screen Printed Stretchable Electronics and Sensors
Andrew Trapp, Yunus Telliel, Jen Pazour (RPI), Sarah Stanlick, Weixiao Huang, Darren Cole	SWAP: A New Platform for Optimizing and Catalyzing Resource Sharing and Collaboration in Nonprofit Ecosystems
Cagdas Onal, Zhi Li, Pratap Rao, Winston Soboyejo, Yunus Telliel, Jing Xiao	Future of Robots in the Workplace (FORW-RD) NRT Program
Cagdas Onal, Berk Calli, Yunus Telliel, Paul Mathisen, Sarah Strauss, Carrick Eggleston, Matt Urban (City of Worcester)	Rapidly Deployable Robotic Inspection and Mapping of Complex Spaces
Vadim Strizhov, Navid Ziaei, and Ali Yousefi	Computer science for brain interfaces
Ceren Yilmaz Akkaya (Postdoctoral Researcher, MME), Koby Farrington (PhD Student, ME), Julia Vekiarides (Freshman Undergraduate Student, ME), Pratap M. Rao (Assoc. Prof., MME)	Towards a Sustainable, Affordable, and Accessible Clean Water Future: Photocatalytic Removal of Heavy Metals from Water

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Research and Discovery:

8:00am - 8:15am: Coffee, Pastries and Networking

8:15am - 8:25am: Opening Remarks, Grace Wang, President

8:30am - 8:45am: Welcome, Bogdan Vernescu, Vice Provost for Research

8:45am - 8:55am: Overview, Wole Soboyejo, Provost

8:55am - 9:10am: Research Presentation, Dmitry Korkin, Harold L. Jurist '61 and Heather E. Jurist Dean's Professor,

and 2022 Trustees' Awardee for Outstanding Research and Creative Scholarship

9:10am - 10:50am: Lightning Talks

- ▶ 9:10 9:20 Kenny Ching "Competitive Familiarity: Learning to Coordinate by Competing"
- > 9:20 9:30 Inna Nechipurenko "Regulation of heterotrimeric G proteins during neuronal development"
- > 9:30 9:40 Yihao Zheng "Transdisciplinary Medical and Manufacturing Innovation"
- > 9:40 9:50 Ali Yousefi "Analytical Tools to Study Preconscious Brain Signals"
- ▶ 9:50-10:00 Sarah Strauss "A Day in the (Research) Life of DIGS"
- > 10:00-10:10 Adam Sales "The use of student log data from educational technology to evaluate and understand mathematics instruction"
- ➤ 10:10-10:20 Rose Bohrer "Transmodern Foundations of Computation"
- > 10:20-10:30 Jane Li "Transparent and Intuitive Teleoperation Interfaces for the Future Nursing Robots and Workers"
- > 10:30-10:40 Seth Tuler "Challenges of siting infrastructure for sustainability and climate resilience"
- ➤ 10:40-10:50 Holger Droessler "Where are the U.S. Territories? And Why?"

10:50am - 11:00am: Break

11:00am - 11:52pm: Research Presentations (part 1)

- ➤ 11:00-11:13 Amity Manning "CINfull divisions: epigenetic changes that drive tumor cell evolution"
- ➤ 11:13-11:26 Ulkuhan Guler TBD
- > 11:26-11:39 Richard Lopez "What is my (virtual) self worth? Neural mechanisms of contingent self-worth and implications for enhancing health and wellbeing in daily life"
- > 11:39-11:52 Sandhya Balasubramanian "Sustaining Women Presidencies in Higher Education"

12:00pm - 12:30pm: Luncheon Break

12:30pm – 1:35pm: Research Presentations (part 2)

- ➤ 12:30-12:43 Mimi Sheller "Global School Research Initiatives: The NOAA Climate Adaptation Program and new Opportunities to Build Global Regional Hubs for Student and Faculty Research"
- > 12:43-12:56 Loris Fichera "Next-Generation Surgical Robots for Energy-based Surgery"
- ➤ 12:56-1:09 Eric Young "Genetic design strategies for next-generation cell factories"
- > 1:09 1:22 Nikhil Karanjgaokar "Development of Adaptive Metamaterials for Impact Mitigation"
- > 1:22 1:35 Carrick Eggleston "Thermal, photocatalytic, and microbial electron transfer at the oxide- and sulfide-water interface: Earth-abundant reactive materials that create and maintain our living environment"

1:35pm - 1:50pm: Research Presentation, Gregory Fischer, William Smith Dean's Professor, and 2021 Trustees' Awardee for Outstanding Research and Creative Scholarship

1:50pm - 2:00pm: Wrap-up, Bogdan Vernescu