

FRIDAY SYNTHESIS SYMPOSIUM – FALL 2017

4 pm on Fridays in 209 Havemeyer

DATE	SPEAKER	TITLE
Sept 22:	Jonathan De Roo (Owen Group)	<i>Stabilization of Acidic Metal Oxide Nanocrystals by Tri-n-octylphosphine oxide (TOPO) and its Decomposition Products</i>
Sept 29:	Neil Palmer (Rovis Group)	<i>Design of α-Diimine Cobalt and Nickel Precatalysts for the Synthesis of Alkylpolyboronates</i>
Oct 6:	Lauren Yablon (Campos Group)	<i>Triplet Dynamics in Pentacene Polymers</i>
Oct 13:	Jack Conway (Rovis Group)	<i>Synthesis of Aminolactams by Ir(III)-Catalyzed Alkene Diamination</i>
Oct 20:	Fédor Romanov-Michailidis (Rovis Group)	<i>C–H Activations used for Heterocycle Synthesis</i>
Oct 27:	Anindiya Swarnakar (Owen Group)	<i>Application of a Donor-Acceptor Strategy to Intercept Molecular Main Group Element Precursors en Route to Nanodimensional Materials</i>
Nov 3:	Prof. Zeger Hens (University of Gent)	<i>New Pathways for the Colloidal Synthesis of III-V Semiconductor Quantum Dots</i>
Nov 10:	Prof. David Michaelis (Brigham Young University)	<i>Synthetic Applications of Enzyme-Inspired Catalysis</i>
Nov 17:	Xiaodong Yin (Campos Group)	<i>A Single Molecule Switch Based on Electrochemically Activated Anti-Aromaticity</i>
Dec 1:	Raúl Sanchez (Nuckolls Group)	<i>Emergent Properties in Cluster Chemistry: Tuning the Metal-Metal and Metal-Ligand Interactions</i>
Dec 8:	Grisha Etkin (Nuckolls Group)	<i>Engineering Molecular Helices</i>

Symposium originally referred to a drinking party (the Greek verb *sympotein* means "to drink together") but has since come to refer to any academic conference, or a style of university class characterized by an openly discursive format, rather than a lecture and question-answer format. The Greek symposium was a key Hellenic social institution. It was a forum to debate, plot, boast, or simply to party with others. They were also frequently held to celebrate the introduction of young thinkers into aristocratic society or celebrate other special occasions, such as victories in athletic and poetic contests.