SynBioBeta Cultured Food Forum

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Registration, Coffee & Bagels

9:00 am

Welcome

- · John Cumbers SynBioBeta
- Roger Chen OATV

9:05 am

Plenary: Nathanael Johnson - Grist

Nathanael Johnson will set the stage by providing an overview that looks past the rhetoric on both sides and reviews the science with an open mind and a skeptical eye. Nathanael recently wrote a fantastic series of articles for Grist titled "Panic Free GMO's" and was previously a graduate student with Michael Pollan at UC Berkeley.

9:50 am

Breakout 1: What are the untold stories that should be told?

In this first breakout session, we will split into five groups to think about stories related to synthetic biology and food that should be told but are not. Each group will be bringing together various constituents from the worlds of public policy, industry and academia so we're expecting interesting stories to share with the larger group when we reconvene.

10:20 am

Regroup

After the first breakout session we'll join back together as a larger group and nominate a spokesperson from each breakout to share the stories of interest with everyone.

10:50 am

Break

11:20 am

Breakout 2: What are the issues of most concern?

As synthetic biology begins to be applied to food sustainability, what are the potential pitfalls? In this breakout group we'll explore what we as a community are most concerned about and why. These concerns may be related to public perception of the technology and the potential for backlash, regulatory issues, or anything else of interest to the participants. We'll be noting the topics that are raised and at the end of the session we'll have an on-line poll enabling us to prioritize the issues.

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11:50 am

Regroup: Prioritization of Issues

After we have had time to discuss the issues of most concern to each breakout group, we'll join back as one larger group and share our priorities. We'll then have another on-line poll allowing people to vote on all of the priorities combined.

12:30 pm

Lunch

1:30 pm

Breakout 3: What can be done to address these issues?

In the final breakout session of the day, we'll be looking to turn the talk into actions by asking those passionate about addressing particular issues to lead off on how to solve them. Using flip charts, pens and post-it notes, we'll have an action planning session.

2:30 pm

Short Presentations of Action Plans

In the final regroup of the day, we'll reconvene to hear short summaries of individual or group action plans that have been developed in the previous session. Each action plan will try and address one of the issues raised earlier in the day.

3:30 pm

Break

4:00 pm

Synthesis: Panel Discussion

In this final session of the forum we'll conclude the day with a panel of experts capable of synthesizing a narrative from the the diverse opinions in the room. We'll also ask the panel for their thoughts and predictions on the future of sustainable food enabled by synthetic biology.

5:00 pm

Wrap-up

5pm - 6pm

Reception

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