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Welcome to the School of Chemical Sciences Research Showcase

I am very pleased to welcome you to our 11th Annual School of Chemical Sciences Research Showcase. Our Showcase provides an opportunity for us to share our excitement about research with the broad Chemical Sciences community. This event is a high point of our year, at which our PhD students share their interest in and excitement about research. It is a wonderful opportunity to learn about the diversity of science occurring within our School, and maybe start a new collaboration!

We welcome our research students and fellows, commercial suppliers and research partners, along with all other attendees who wish to learn about our research. This year, over 130 PhD students from our School will be presenting their research in interdisciplinary areas such as Food Science, Forensic Science, Green Chemical Science, Materials Chemistry, Medicinal Chemistry, and Wine Science, as well as in the traditional disciplines of Analytical, Inorganic, Organic, and Physical Chemistry.

Eight PhD students have been invited to give 15-minute presentations on their research, while 3-minute “Thesis Challenge” talks from 45 of our first-year PhD students provide an insight into the breadth of research activities in our School. We also have an invited keynote speaker, Dr Mark Krasnow, who is a viticultural researcher and entrepreneur.

Our more senior PhD students are displaying their research on posters. Please take the opportunity to read the posters and talk with the presenters. From past experience, all the presenters welcome the opportunity to let specialists and non-specialists learn about what they are doing and why it is important.

Finally, I thank the members of the Research Showcase Committee, and especially the Chair Dr. Fan Zhu for organising this celebration of our research.

Associate Professor Gordon Miskelly - Head, School of Chemical Sciences
Programme

Morning Session

07:45 – 08:15  Registration
08:15 – 08:20  Welcome: Associate Professor Gordon Miskelly, Head of School
08:20 – 08:25  Address by Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research) – Professor James Metson
08:25 – 09:25  PhD Presentations (15 minutes)
09:25 – 10:30  PhD Presentations (3 minutes)
10:30 – 10:50  Morning Tea
10:50 – 11:50  PhD Presentations (15 minutes)
11:50 – 13:15  PhD Presentations (3 minutes)
13:15 – 15:00  Lunch and Poster Session

Afternoon Session

15:00 – 16:00  Keynote Speaker: Dr Mark Krasnow, Thoughtful Viticulture
16:00 – 16:30  Prize Giving and School Photo
16:30 – 18:00  Wine Tasting/Reception
Mark received his Ph.D. in Integrative Crop Plant Physiology in 2004 from UC Davis. He taught and worked as a postdoc in California until moving to Hawke’s Bay in 2010 to lecture in Viticulture and carry out research at EIT.

In 2013 Mark returned to the US to establish and teach in the Culinary Science program at the Culinary Institute of America in New York state. He taught chefs about the chemistry, microbiology, and physics at work in the kitchen and oversaw the students’ senior theses.

In 2015 Mark returned to New Zealand to establish his company, Thoughtful Viticulture Ltd., which conducts research projects for the New Zealand wine industry and individual clients. He is also a consultant, specialising in irrigation management. His research aims to reduce chemical inputs in the vineyard, increase vineyard efficiency, and improve wine quality. Mark works closely with the University of Auckland’s Wine Science programme on many of his research projects.
Oral presentations

Session 1 (8:25 am - 9:25 am)  
Chaired by Stephen Lo

1. Lakshini Fernando  
   *Self-cleaning coatings for pre-painted steel roofing*

2. Ryan England  
   *The development and validation of massively parallel sequencing for use in forensic science in the New Zealand population*

3. Kristel Castillo  
   *Construction of novel compounds with Si-Si and Si-element bonds via catalytic coupling reactions*

4. Taniela Lolohea  
   *Atmospheric plasma jet printing for tailored surfaces*

Session 2 (10:50 am - 11:50 am)  
Chaired by Matthew Sullivan

5. Annabelle Collins  
   *The design and synthesis of itaconic acid analogue ICL1 & ICL2 inhibitors to provide a novel method of combating latent Tuberculosis*

6. Noor Febrianto  
   *Composition of bioactive compounds in cocoa beans as affected by its intra-variety diversity*

7. Esperanza Pearl  
   *Marine natural product synthesis: A crucible for methods development*

8. Dona Gunawardana  
   *Structural and mechanistic studies of the ethylene-forming enzyme*
Self-cleaning coatings for pre-painted steel roofing

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Pre-painted steel roofing is extensively used in both residential and commercial constructions. The contamination of such roofs over time due to biological organisms and other environmental pollutants is a major aesthetic and functional problem. On the other hand roof cleaning is costly, laborious, time consuming and have accessing limitations. Harsh and toxic chemicals are also required to remove most of these contaminants. Therefore development of a commercial self-cleaning coating system on pre-painted steel (PPS) roofing is important and demanding.

The critical organism types and other environmental pollutants on PPS roofing have already been investigated under Australian and few other different contexts. The activity of photocatalytic titanium dioxide (TiO\textsubscript{2}) against these roof contaminants, due to the formation of reactive oxygen species (ROS) has also been investigated in recent studies. However durability and efficiency are the key challenges in developing photocatalytic coatings on painted substrates. The degradation of underlying paint components due to the activity of ROS is a major problem of applying photocatalytic coatings directly on a painted substrate. The development of a durable self-cleaning coating is also challenging as conventional binders can easily be degraded due to the activity of ROS. Therefore this research is aiming to develop a durable and efficient photocatalytic self-cleaning coating system on PPS roofing.

In this study, an additional protective layer will be introduced in between photocatalytic top layer and underlying paint layer as shown in Fig.01. The protective and photocatalytic layers will be consisted of an ROS resistant resin system to obtain long lasting performance. The efficiency of the coating system will be optimized by adjusting the ratio of TiO\textsubscript{2} and ROS resistant resin. The performance of this self-cleaning coating system will be evaluated by using the standard ISO test methods (ISO 10678-210 and ISO 27447-2009), microscopic techniques (AFM-Atomic Force Microscopy, SEM-Scanning Electron Microscopy) and spectroscopic techniques (FTIR -Fourier Transform Infra-Red Spectroscopy and EDX-Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy). The accelerated weathering conditions and outdoor exposure studies will also be used as a measure of success.

\textbf{Figure 1.} Layered structure of the self-cleaning coating system.
The development and validation of massively parallel sequencing for use in forensic science in the New Zealand population

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Massively parallel sequencing is fast emerging as an increasingly useful tool for forensic science. This project aims to complete the forensic validation of the MiSeq FGx® Forensic Genomics System (Verogen). This system sequences up to 231 genomic DNA markers including short tandem repeats on autosomal, Y and X chromosomes, and SNPs which can be used to predict the ancestry, eye and hair colour of an individual. The forensic validation has involved completing a number of different studies into the system’s performance, including methodology, sensitivity, repeatability and reproducibility, sequencing case type samples and DNA mixtures, and conducting a New Zealand population study.

The New Zealand population is a diverse one comprised of an indigenous Maori population and more recent immigrants from over 200 different ethnic groups. Much of the publically available allele frequency information and tools for addressing biogeographical ancestry and externally visible phenotype determination are lacking data representing our population, in particular, data from the Pacific Islands and New Zealand Maori. DNA samples from 550 participants were collected, extracted and sequenced using the MiSeq FGx® Forensic Genomics System. These sequencing results will be used to represent the New Zealand population, to generate allele frequencies for the 231 markers, and test the accuracies of the different ancestry and phenotype prediction tools.
Construction of novel compounds with Si-Si and Si-element bonds via catalytic coupling reactions

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Organosilanes have drawn considerable attention in medicinal and materials chemistry as useful synthetic building blocks. The unique and interesting physicochemical properties, resulting from the inclusion of silicon atoms in the parent carbon-based compounds, make these compounds suitable as semiconductors. To date, several catalysts and synthetic methods have been used to form Si-Si and Si-element (Si-E) bonds but they have several drawbacks including harsh conditions, formation of by-products, and limited functional group tolerance.

Expanding the synthetic toolkit available for silicon chemists, will make the design and preparation of complex silicon materials possible. For example, increased robustness in the polysilane structure is known to exhibit greater potential for electronic applications and achieving this requires new catalytic routes to forming Si-E bonds. In this study, a strategic sequence of chemical reactions was employed to synthesise complex organosilanes to obtain the ultimate target — bridged disilanes. Aromatic and organometallic functionalities were incorporated in organosilanes as bridges, with a particular aim of reinforcing the Si-Si bond. Theoretical calculations were run in conjunction to the synthetic research and provide a closer look at the electronics of bridged disilanes.

Figure 1. Comparative conductivities of compounds containing Si-O-Si, Si-H and Si-Si bonds.

Atmospheric plasma jet printing for tailored surfaces

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Atmospheric plasma jet printing (APJP) offers a unique, versatile and fast technique to modify a surface, taking advantage of etching, activation and deposition of materials onto a range of surfaces. APJP can be used to modify the topography of a surface, introduce new chemical groups to the surface and depositing patterned coatings. APJP uses a combination of atmospheric plasma deposition alongside the ability to pattern the deposited material, to allow a unique control over the surface properties. Particular interest in nano to micron thick films; exploring combinations of surface treatments using plasma, such as surface activation and deposition.

The benefits of using plasma deposition include its unique interactions between the reactive species within the plasma and the precursor materials, the speed of deposition, its low temperature plasma, alongside its ability to pattern. These benefits make it a desirable route to surface modification which is more recently being integrated into industrial settings and device fabrication.

We present an overview of the atmospheric plasma jet printer and its functionality to control the behaviour of a surface. The overview will include the individual components of the instrument and their functionalities, leading into how these components can aid in tailoring a particular surface.
The design and synthesis of itaconic acid analogue ICL1 & ICL2 inhibitors to provide a novel method of combating latent Tuberculosis

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*Mycobacterium Tuberculosis*, the causative agent of the disease tuberculosis, is responsible for the highest human mortality rate among any infectious disease. Persistent *M. tuberculosis* infections depend on the glyoxylate shunt, a carbon-conserving bypass in the tricarboxylate cycle requiring isocitrate lyase (ICL). ICL is described as the gate enzyme of the glyoxylate shunt and exists in two isoforms within *M. tuberculosis*; ICL1 & ICL2. ICL’s have a secondary function, acting as a methylisocitrate lyase in the Mtb methylcitrate cycle. This role enables metabolism of propionyl-CoA and propionate generated from the ingestion of odd-chain fatty acids, avoiding the normal build-up of toxic intermediates. Previous studies have shown that inhibiting both ICLs removes the ability of *M. tuberculosis* to maintain the persistent stage, leading to bacterial death, making it an attractive target for drug discovery.

ICL1 & 2 catalyse the reversible retro-aldol cleavage of isocitrate into succinate and glyoxylate. Itaconic acid is an analogue of succinate, thought to play a role in macrophage-based immune response to *M. tuberculosis*. As such, a number of itaconic acid analogues have been designed and synthesised for testing in *M. tuberculosis*, leading to the development of several series. Our results have identified a number of functional groups that affect the ability of the compounds to inhibit ICL1, and have led to further progress towards the design of a mechanism-based inactivator.

![Figure 1](image_url)

**Figure 1.** (a) The inhibition curve of the natural inhibitor itaconic acid shows an IC₅₀ of 400 µM; (b) The binding curve of itaconic acid showing strong binding with a Kᵩ of 50 µM; (c) Itaconic acid, and the series of inhibitors developed from SAR studies. Points of functional group exploration are marked.

Composition of bioactive compounds in cocoa beans as affected by its intra-variety diversity

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Fan Zhu

Bioactive compound in cocoa beans has been known to affect its sensory and nutritional properties. There is also an increasing interest in the bioactive composition of cocoa beans in relation with the development of nutritionally-enhanced products. Cocoa bioactive compounds such as polyphenol has been claimed to have antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, anti-allergenic, anti-microbial, immune-modulative and anti-carcinogenic activities. In this study, cocoa beans samples were collected from Indonesia. Identification and quantification of bioactive compounds were carried out to better understand its composition as affected by its intra-variety diversity. The results showed a great genetic diversity in the composition of bioactive compounds among samples obtained from the same genotype. The concentration of methylxanthines, flavan-3-ols, anthocyanins and phenolic acids were found to be important factors differentiated the samples. From this study, several samples were found to be potential to be developed in order to achieve specific product’s requirement. Further, this study also provide insights into farm management for improved breeding strategy based on cocoa beans bioactive composition.

Figure 1. Cocoa nibs extracted from single cocoa pod showing different pigmentation levels due to the content of anthocyanin.

Marine natural product synthesis: A crucible for methods development

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Marine natural products possess a diverse range of unique molecular structures and exhibit potent biological activities. These features make them an ongoing source of inspiration for the development of novel pharmaceuticals and new chemical methods. Spirocyclic imine toxins are a particular sub-class of marine natural products characterised by a spiroimine motif embedded in a large ring framework. These are produced by marine dinoflagellates and generally display high toxicity (mouse LD$_{50}$ 40 μg/kg) leading to paralysis and death. Portimine represents the latest addition to this family of marine toxins, and unlike its predecessors displays low toxicity and remarkable activity against leukemia cell lines. Synthesis of portimine would provide samples of the natural product and analogues, to systematically probe the exciting biological profile. Development of new chemical methods will be necessary to achieve a practical and modular synthesis suitable for analogue library generation.

Figure 1. Spirocyclic imine marine toxins (spiroimine highlighted in red)

Current work is directed towards new strategies for key couplings of the sub-fragments of portimine. The Stetter reaction represents a mild and ‘green’ reaction (that mimics an enzymatic reaction catalysed by thiamine) to couple two fragments to form a 1,4-diketone. The traditional intermolecular Stetter reaction remains under-used in natural product synthesis. In our work an N-heterocyclic carbene (NHC)-catalysed Stetter reaction is being investigated for use in the coupling of sub-fragments of portimine and also optimised as a general tool for wider application in organic synthesis.

Structural and mechanistic studies of the ethylene-forming enzyme

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Ethylene, which arguably is the most important of plant hormones, regulates all aspects of plant growth and development. The last enzyme in the plant ethylene biosynthesis pathway is 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylate oxidase (ACCO), which catalyses the conversion of 1-aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylate (ACC) into ethylene. Surprisingly, there is little consistent knowledge about the mechanism of ACCO and its three dimensional structure. The atomic details of the active site are particularly relevant in order to understand the mechanism of ACCO and the relationship to its biological function.

We will report our progress in the structural characterisation of ACCO. In particular, we will present our breakthrough result in visualising substrate binding in ACCO, which enabled us a better understanding of how conformational change affects substrate binding and catalysis. We will also describe our work elucidating the mechanistic basis of ethylene production at the protein level. Our results help define how plants regulate ethylene production, and pave way for the development of new chemical agents that target ACCO for agricultural applications.

Figure 1. Crystal structure of the ACCO-Ni(II)-ACC complex that was solved in this study.

Three Minute Talks

First Session (9:25 am - 10:30 am)

1. Heiana Agnieray
   Protein-based biomaterials for 3D/4D printing
2. Aljo Anand
   Integrated self-assembling bio-mimetic light harvesting platform for energy applications
3. Jesna Ashraf
   Fabrication of chemically grafted substrates to reduce fouling (non specific attachment of proteins) during capture and release of cancer cells
4. Sara Beikzadeh
   Development of lemon myrtle essential oil-loaded electrospun cellulose acetate nanofibers for active food packaging
5. Joseph Bell-Tyler
   New methods in vinyl azide chemistry
6. Raina Chand
   Optimising virtual screening library based on solubility
7. Xiao Chen
   Characterization of aroma precursors and potential odorants in Tamarillo through metabolomic pathway study
8. Daniel Clyde
   Synthesis of conjugated molecules and metal clusters for nanomaterials applications
9. Rongbin Cui
   Sweetpotato processing: Physicochemical studies
10. Rory Devlin
    Synthetic studies towards the nudicaulins
11. Yusong Dong
    Metal inverse opals and their potential applications
12. Andrew Earl
    Synthetic studies towards 13-desmethyl spirolide C
13. Bethany Forsythe
    Mitochondrial DNA analysis in forensics
14. Sunandita Ghosh
    Protein-polysaccharide complexes as carriers of bioactive molecules
15. Kapish Gobindlal
    Mechnochemical reactions at solid-solid interfaces: The degradation of persistent organic pollutants
16. David Goodman
    Development of novel redox activated, hypoxia selective, metallodrugs
17. Georgina Howard
    Synthetic studies towards antimicrobial therapeutic agents for treatment of drug-resistant pathogens
18. Emeka Itumoh
    Unravelling the by-products during the formation of phosphoramidates via copper-catalysed dehydrogenative cross-coupling
19. Junghun Ji
    Synthesis of antiviral agents targeting norovirus
20. Vicky Juan
    Biochemical studies of mycobacterial Fe(II) and 2-oxoglutarate-dependent dioxygenases
Second Session (11:50 am - 1:15 pm)

21. Saawan Kumar  
   Synthesis of ruthenium complexes featuring biologically active co-ligands and their conjugation to peptides and antibodies for improved cancer cell targeting

22. Jiecheng Li  
   Effect of hydrolysed whey protein isolate on physicochemical properties of bovine infant formula

23. Sheung Yin Li  
   Fouling control through polymer brush grafting on conductive microfibres for the fabrication of high performance wine juice filter

24. Lingdai Liu  
   Potential applications of green synthesized nanocomposites for development of environmentally-benign antimicrobial packaging

25. Alexandra Lowrey  
   Soils, sprays and sustainability: Everything is connected

26. Courtney Lynch  
   Advancing forensic body fluid identification

27. Zainab Makinde  
   Langmuir blodgett films of polyoxometalates hybrids

28. Alex Mayer  
   Oxidative destruction of deposited methamphetamine

29. Nur Maizura Mohd Darbi  
   The attack of antimicrobial peptide on bacterial membrane

30. Shabnam Mosaferi  
   Synthesis of the aroma compounds existing in New Zealand's Pinot noir grapes

31. Sneh Patel  
   ZnSb$_{2-x}$Sn$_x$O$_6$: A novel transparent conducting oxide material

32. Emily Paulin  
   Synthetic studies of dibenzyl butyrolactone derivatives; analogues of bioactive natural products

33. Stefy Peediakal  
   Water purification through a green science approach

34. Shaun Rees  
   Inhibition of Phosphatidylcholine-Specific Phospholipase C: An SAR investigation into 2-morpholinobenzoic acid analogues

35. Mejo Remanan  
   Starch based systems to encapsulate polyphenols

36. Anu Sharma  
   Towards the development of proteasome inhibitors selective to Mycobacterium tuberculosis

37. Martin Spasovski  
   Tuning frustration in ternary copper bixbyites

38. Tasha Steel  
   Synthesis of biotinylated metal-based anticancer complexes for applications in mode-of-action studies and target identification

39. Kenneth Sue  
   Prediction of antimicrobial mechanism of action using NMR metabolomics

40. Fearghal Walsh  
   Development of novel mitochondrial targeting metallodrugs

41. Jin Wang  
   Organic wine, from zero to hero

42. Yuxin Wang  
   Total chemical synthesis of glycoproteins
43. Yimei Wu
   Design and synthesis of novel photopolymers for 3D printing

44. Boyang Xu
   Lipophilic derivatization of EGCG: Characteristics and application

45. Billy Yi Yang
   Micro-oxygenation: Timing of application, microbial influences, and outcomes
1. Valentina Lucarelli
   Development of a novel aptamer-based biosensor to detect invasive mammal pests
2. Shinji Kihara
   Shining light on the chemical and biological identity of nanoplastics
3. Urawadee Rajchakit
   Antimicrobial peptide-conjugated nanoparticles against bacterial pathogens
4. Natalie Haverkate
   Investigation of thieno [2,3-b] pyridine derivatives for enhanced solubility and anti-proliferative activity
5. Eva Antony
   Targeting seryl-tRNA synthetase from methanogenic archaea to control ruminant methane emission
6. Geoff Ang
   Lipase-catalysed production of structured phospholipid containing nervonic acid from Malania oleifera fruit and the functional characterisation
7. Renjie Huang
   Restoring the efficacy of polymyxins in polymyxin-resistance bacteria
8. Saman Sabet Ghadam Haghighi
   Competitive adsorption and displacement of polysaccharides on the surface of emulsion
9. Mohinder Naiya
   Design and synthesis of trioxatianguline derivatives: Acting as DNA intercalating agents
10. Timothy Christopher
    Exploration of Ga3+ and Ta5+ dual doped lithium garnet oxides
11. Nadia Kovalenko
    Synthetic studies towards lasso peptides
12. Rebecca Richards
    Identification of Y-Chromosome methylation markers for male age estimation of forensic samples
13. Ruoyu Hou
    Evaluation of variability in yeast early hydrogen sulfide production and its relationship to thiol potential
14. Jamal Cheema
    Electrochemical odorant sensing using insect odorant receptors
15. Shi-Wei Kim
    Synthetic studies towards hyrtioseragamine A
16. Vipin Kumar
    Reinforcing polysilanes: Creating bridged disilane building blocks
17. Maurycy Prystupa
    Synthetic studies towards natural products derived from Indigo
18. Honglei Ling
    Enhancing gas separation performance of PIMs materials
19. Ziyao Wan  
Selective capture–release: Pulling intact cells from complex mixtures

20. Qing Wang  
Single-Zn-atom materials derived from Zeolitic imidazolate frameworks

21. Indra Yudhipratama  
The synthetic studies towards opaliferin, a tetracyclic polyketide metabolite

22. Nabangshu Sharma  
A MALDI-based assay for the anti-cancer target phosphatidylcholine-specific phospholipase C

23. Thomas Grant  
Eco-friendly antifouling biocides

24. Delsa Pulickal Joseph  
An investigation into the functionalisation of Phormium tenax (NZ Flax) fibre

25. Luis Camacho  
Perfluorinated carbons

26. Yann Hermant  
Synthesis of S-lipidated analogues of daptomycin using CLipPa technology

27. Jessica Liyu  
Synthetic studies towards pegaharmaline A

28. Steven Li  
Synthesis of claramine A1 derivatives as potential antibacterial agents

29. Kelvin Tong  
Investigating the antitumour properties of metal-NHC complexes: Modifying the structure of the NHC ligand and its coordination mode to metal centres

30. Pipat Tangjaidee  
Speciation and anticancer properties of organic Se compounds in Se-enriched Cyclocarya paliurus

31. Mbenza Mbambi Naasson  
Oxygen binding to human oxygen sensing enzymes

32. Yongchao Zhu  
Co-encapsulation of omega-3 long chain fatty acids and carotenoids by monodisperse droplet spray dryer: The effect of drying parameters and feed emulsion composition on physicochemical properties of microcapsules

33. Phillip Grant  
Studies towards the divergent synthesis of diterpenoid natural products leonuketal, 17-dihydroxy-atisan-3-one and pseurata C

34. Nicola Brant  
Synthetic studies towards the total synthesis of annotinolide C

35. Min Wang  
Intrinsically stretchable, photo-patternable and conductive graft copolymers

36. Ardalan Nabi  
Synthetic studies towards inducamide C and breitfussin B

37. Yao-Yuan Liu  
Machine learning for the analysis of forensic sequencing data
38. Miriana Horacek-Glading
   Lighting-up sugars: O-BODIPYs as tools for studying saccharides

39. Jinal Patel
   Intrinsic fluorescence spectroscopy and molecular modelling lead to the development of new tyrosyl-DNA phosphodiesterase 1 inhibitors

40. Antony Melton
   Electrocatalytic films for the oxidative destruction of pollutants in water

41. Se Hun Kim
   Synthetic studies towards Pseudocerosine

42. Martijn Wildervanck
   Synthesis, characterization and optical properties of BODIPY-O-saccharide complexes elucidated with DFT

43. Kirsty Anderson
   Biomimetic synthetic studies towards violatinctamine

44. Jakob Gaar
   Antibodies from selectively Advanced Glycation Endproduct (AGE) modified Collagen Model Peptides (CMPs)

45. Hugh Glossop
   Ultrashort self-assembling Peptides: De novo design, nano structure analyses and antimicrobial activity

46. Aakanksha Rani
   Peptide based self-assembly of organic semiconductors for biocompatible electronics

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