The University of Maine



Cellulose Nanomaterials Researchers Forum August 23-25, 2022

Wells Conference Center, The University of Maine, Orono, Maine

PROGRAM

Tuesday, August 23, 2022 Wells Conference Center		
4:30 – 6:30 PM	Welcome Reception & Poster Preview	

Wednesday, August 24, 2022 Wells Conference Center, Room 100		
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast & Coffee	
8:30 – 8:35 AM	Welcome to Nanocellulose Valley, Forum Overview	
8:35 – 9:15 AM	"Building the market for fibrillated cellulose: challenges and opportunities" Qi Wang, Ph.D., R&D Director – Technology Platform & Fiber, Sappi North America	
9:15 – 10:00 AM	"Making a sustainable future with cellulose nanocrystals at the Forest Products Laboratory" Ken Zwick, Ph.D., Assistant Director, Wood, Fibers and Composites Research, U. S. Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory	
10:00 – 10:30 AM	"Accelerating the development of cellulose based materials in partnership with UMaine/Oak Ridge National Laboratory 'Hub and Spoke' program" Susan MacKay, Ph.D., Senior R&D Program Manager II, University of Maine	
10:30 AM	Walk to Ferland EEDC	
11:00-12:00 AM	Ribbon Cutting and Dedication Ceremony for the Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center (EEDC)	
12:00 – 2:00 PM	Tours of Ferland EEDC (12:30-2:00)	
2:00 – 2:30	Break	
2:30 – 3:00	"Using cellulose nanofibrils to facilitate foliar fertilizer update in wild blueberries" YongJiang Zhang, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Plant Physiology, School of Biology and Ecology, University of Maine	
3:00 – 3:30	"Towards a cellulose based packaging systemhe potential use of cellulose nanofibrils in food packaging" Doug Bousfield, Ph.D., Calder Professor, Director of the Paper Surface Science Program, Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, University of Maine	
3:30 – 4:00	"Use of Supercritical Carbon Dioxide for Generating CNF-based Materials" Carl Tripp, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry, University of Maine	

4:00 – 4:15	"Intermedial Practices: collaboration with nanocellulose " Augusta Sparks Farnum, Student, Intermedia MFA Program, University of Maine
4:30 – 6:30 PM	Students Poster Competition & Intermedial Practices: collaboration with nanocellulose Wells Conference Center This portion of the program is open to the public

Thursday, August 25, 2022 Wells Conference Center, Room 100		
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast, Coffee	
8:30 – 9:15 AM	"Qualifying novel bio-based materials for the market: EHS, sustainability and beyond" Jo Anne Shatkin, Ph.D., President, Vireo Advisors	
9:15 – 9:45 AM	"Advances in Renewable Packaging via Cellulose Nanomaterials at the Renewable Bioproducts Institute" Carson Meredith, Ph.D., Professor, School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Georgia Tech and Executive Director, Renewable Bioproducts Institute	
9:45 – 10: 15 AM	"Lignin-containing Nanocellulose Materials: Preparation and Perspectives" Yonghao Ni, Ph.D., J. Larcom Ober Chair and Professor of Chemical Engineering, University of Maine	
10:15 – 10:30 AM	Break	
10:30 – 11:00 AM	"Versatility in practice: CNM applications that work" Mehdi Tajvidi, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Renewable Nanomaterials, School of Forest Resources, University of Maine	
11:00 – 11:30 AM	"A decade of FBRI and TRC - Where we change the way we use wood" Hemant Pendse, Ph.D., Director, Forest Bioproducts Research Institute (FBRI), Professor and Department Chair, Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, University of Maine	
11:30 – 12:00 PM	"Hub & Spoke: Innovative High-Feed Rate Additive Manufacturing Using Sustainable Thermoplastic Composites" Cait Clarkson, Ph.D., R&D Associate Staff, Oak Ridge National Laboratory	
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 – 1:30 PM	"Cellulose Nanomaterial Particle Size Measurements: The Challenges & The Solutions" Robert Moon, Ph.D., Materials Research Engineer, U. S. Forest Service, Forest Pro Laboratory	
1:30 – 2:00 PM	"MFC Opportunities with Valmet: Research and Commercial Offering" Juha-Pekka Huhtanen, Dr. Tech., Process Technology Manager for MFC Production, Valmet Technologies Inc.	
2:30 – 3:30 PM	Tour of the PDC New Nanofiber Pilot Plant, Jenness Hall	