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Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry Seminar On

Drug Discovery & Biomedical Sciences

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Research interests: Medicinal Chemistry (Drug design), pharmaceutical chemistry (drug delivery) chemical biology, supramolecular chemistry and chemosensing, and bioorganic chemistry https://chem-lithium.gsu.edu/Groups/Bing Wang/default.html

Defying Conventional Wisdom: Developing Carbon Monoxide as a Therapeutic Agent

Nitric oxide, hydrogen sulfide and carbon monoxide are all toxic molecules, and yet they belong to the gasotransmitter family of signaling molecules with importance on par with that of neurotransmitters and hormone molecules. Studies have shown that these endogenously produced molecules have a wide range of physiologic roles and therapeutic potentials. Specific functions of these molecules are of course unique for each of them. While the use of NO-producing molecules as therapeutics has long been established, the exploration of hydrogen sulfide and carbon monoxide as therapeutics is still at its infancy at best. This presentation will discuss issues related to developing carbon monoxide-based therapeutics and possible solutions and CO prodrugs developed in our lab (Acc. Chem. Res. 2018, 51, 1377).

Key Reference:

(1) Nature Chem. **2018**, 10, 787-794. (2) Acc. Chem. Res. **2018**, 51, 1377-85. (3) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. **2018**, 115, E2302-E2310. (4) Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl. 2016, 55, 15846. (5) J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2018, 140, 30-33.

> DATE: Friday, September 20, 2019

TIME: 4:00 – 5:00 pm Coffee, donuts and gathering at 3:45 pm

LOCATION: CCSB G.0208 The seminar auditorium below Starbucks

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