RNA Science and its Applications: A Look toward the Future
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University at Albany (Albany, NY)
Hosted By: The RNA Institute

Keynote Speakers
- David P. Bartel, Whitehead Institute, MIT
- Christine Guthrie, University of California – San Francisco
- Allan Jacobson, UMass Medical School, Worcester, MA
- Eric Westhof, CNRS and University of Strasbourg

This international RNA symposium will be held at the University at Albany in Albany, New York. The symposium will be two full days of scientific talks by the most forward-thinking and world-renown RNA scientists covering the most significant contributions to RNA science to date. There will be four sessions, two each day, of scientific talks followed by a panel discussion focused on the most feasible pursuits of RNA science and its applications. The meeting will be focused around the following broad session topics:

- Cancer and Neurological Disease: The future of small RNAs as therapeutics and tools of investigation
- Infectious and other diseases: The future of small molecule intervention
- RNA Discovery and Innovation: Cell and Molecular Biology
- RNA Technological Innovation: Analysis, Delivery, Nanotechnologies, IT

Panels will discuss scientific and technological progress in the US and elsewhere, the challenges and opportunities, investments made and needed by public and private sectors, and technological issues of RNA therapeutics. Panelists will be representative of leading RNA scientists from academia, international pharmaceutical, medical device (delivery), instrument companies, and US funding agencies.

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