Bio*LIGHT* 2003

Canada's First Biophotonics Primer & Workshop

Four Points Sheraton Hotel, Gatineau, Quebec
November 13-16, 2003

Organized by: Vitesse Re-Skilling ä Canada Inc. & the Canadian Institute for Photonics Innovation

Objective: The objective of *the first and unique biophotonics forum in Canada* **-** Bio*LIGHT* 2003 – is to create a cross-disciplinary dialogue and knowledge exchange between physicists, photonics engineering professionals, biologists, medical scientists and medical practitioners. Bio*LIGHT* 2003 will provide an opportunity to learn and share expert knowledge on the emerging biophotonics field.

Key Topics: The Primer and Workshop will focus on the sciences and technologies for biophotonics as it applies to:

Medicine and Health, Biosciences, Environment, Security and Defence

- Discussion of potential interplay among various disciplines as it relates to biophotonics
- Roundtable discussions for a deeper familiarization with the field
- Brainstorming sessions on new research directions, new technologies and business opportunities

Key Speakers: The following are outstanding and internationally recognized Canadian and US experts in medicine, biology, physics, photonics and biomedical engineering who will deliver lectures during the workshop:

Dr. Brian Wilson, Professor *Ontario Cancer Institute, Toronto, Canada*	**Janet Walden,** VP Research Partnerships Programs *Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada*
Dr. A.E. (Ted) Dixon, CEO *Biomedical Photometrics Inc., Waterloo, ON, Canada*	**Dr. Yves de Koninck**, Professor *Centre de recherche Université Laval Robert-Giffard, QC, Canada*
Dr. Ulrich J. Krull, Professor *University of Toronto, Canada*	**Dr. David Cramb**, Professor *University of Calgary, AB, Canada*
Dr. Steven L. Jacques, Professor *Oregon Medical Laser Center, USA*	**Dr. David Armstrong**, Executive VP *IatroQuest Corporation, Ottawa, ON, Canada*
Dr. Rejean Munger, Professor *University of Ottawa Eye Institute, ON, Canada*	**Dr. Richard Cline**, VP R&D *Xillix Technologies Corporation, Richmond, BC, Canada*
Dr. Michael Sowa, Group Leader, Spectroscopy *NRC-Institute for Biodiagnostics, Winnipeg, Canada*	**Dr. Daniel Houde**, Professor *Université de Sherbrooke, QC, Canada*
Dr. Fred Milanovich, Professor *Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, USA*	**Dr. John Luong**, Group Leader, Biosensors *NRC-Biotechnology Research Institute, Montreal, Canada*
Dr. Eric Marcotte, *Regenerative Medicine, CIHR, Canada*	**Marc Wickham,** Vice-President *Ventures West Management Inc., Ottawa, Canada*
Dr. Susan Springthorpe, Director of Research Centre for Research in Environmental Microbiology, Ottawa University	**Dr. Nils O. Petersen,** Professor, VP of Research *University of Western Ontario, London, Canada*
Dr. Min Lin, Research Scientist Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Ottawa, Canada	**Dr. Yin Yeh, Professor** Department of Applied Science, University of California, Davis, USA
Dr. Robert Weersink, Director of Operations, Biophotonics Facility, Photonics Research Ontario, Canada	**Richard Boudreault,** Vice President ART, Montreal, QC, Canada

Who Will Benefit? Researchers, engineers, medical professionals, technology executives and managers seeking to learn more about biophotonics as an emerging multi-disciplinary field.

Sponsorship: Sponsorship opportunities are available and welcome.

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BioLIGHT 2003: Timetable

	Thursday, Nov. 13	Friday, Nov. 14, 2003 Security, Environment, Defence Application	Saturday, Nov. 15, 2003 Medical Applications	Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003 Biosciences Applications
8:00-8:30		**Breakfast**	**Breakfast**	**Breakfast**
9:00-10:00		**Dr. Brian Wilson** The Biophotonics Landscape – Overview, Challenges and Opportunities	**Dr. Michael Sowa** Photonics Applications in Surgery and Trauma Assessment	**Dr. Daniel Houde** Biophotonics Applications in Radiobiology
10:00-11:00			**Dr. Yves de Koninck** Photonics: Challenges in Neurosciences	**Dr. Min Lin** Fluorescence polarization - a unique and powerful tool for the diagnosis of infectious diseases
11:00-12:00		**Dr. Ulrich J. Krull** Multi-channel Fiber Optic Nucleic Acid Biosensors for Rapid Detection of Pathogens	**Dr. David Cramb** Advances in Nonlinear Biophotonics	**Dr. Nils O. Petersen** Bioanalytics in Living Cells
12:00-14:00		**Executive Luncheon** **Dr. A.E. (Ted) Dixon** How Did I Get Into Biophotonics? **Richard Boudreault** Time Domain Biophotonics Commercial Applications	**Executive Luncheon:** **Dr. Richard Cline** Transitioning of Biophotonics Research to a Medical Device **Robert Weersink** One path for Biophotonics Tech Transfer: The PRO Biophotonics IRL	**Executive Luncheon & Closing Discussion** Biophotonics for the Biosciences – Challenges and Opportunities. Biophotonics – Strategic Research and Business Opportunities
14:00-15:00	**Arrival and Registration**	**Dr. John Luong** Bio-Sensors Based on Optical Detection	**Dr. Rejean Munger** Biophotonics for Vision, Health and Care	
15:00-16:00		**Dr. David Armstrong** Biosecurity – A Growing Sector with Convergence Technologies	**Dr. Steven L. Jacques** Biophotonics - Diagnostic and Therapeutic Applications in Medicine	
16:00-17:00		**Dr. Fred Milanovich** Defence Against Bio-terror: Detection Technologies, Implementation, Strategies and Commercial Opportunities	**Mark Wickham** A VC's Perception of the Biophotonics Industry Sector **Janet Walden** NSERC's vision on converging science & technology sectors	
17:00-18:00	**Official Opening & Welcome Reception** **Prof. Yin Yeh** Introductory Comments on the Accelerating Field of Biophotonics **Dr. Eric Marcotte** The CIHR Initiatives in Regenerative Medicine – an Opportunity for Biophotonics	**Dr. Susan Springthorpe** On-line, real-time detection: the holy grail for drinking water microbiology **Roundtable Discussion:** Biophotonics in Security and Defence – Challenges and Opportunities	**Roundtable Discussion:** Biophotonics in Medical Applications – Challenges and Opportunities	
19:00-				

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