## Natural Product Discovery and Development in the Genomic Era

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Dear Dr. Ma:

The Society for Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology (SIMB), the Korean Society for Microbiology and Biotechnology (KMB), and the Society for Actinomycetes Japan (SAJ) are co-sponsoring the second international conference on "Natural Product Discovery and Development in the Genomic Era" to be held in Clearwater Florida, January 21-24, 2018. The meeting is being organized by a distinguished group of international scientists including members of SIMB, KMB, SAJ and other societies. The meeting also honors Professors Christopher Walsh and Heinz Floss as honorary co-chairs for their long-standing commitments to the field of natural products and for their seminal contributions to nascent field of microbial genome mining. The meeting will include an opening address, two poster sessions, and six plenary sessions covering: Natural Products in microbiomes/environment; Chemical Biology of Natural Products; New Tools Driving Discovery of Bioactives; Enzymatic Reaction Mechanisms in Natural Product Biosynthesis; Big Data and Natural Drug Discovery; and Modern Antibiotics and Regulation.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we extend an invitation to participate by attending this important international conference. Our speaker list is now posted online (along with more information) at <a href="http://www.simbhq.org/np/">http://www.simbhq.org/np/</a>. We hope that you can register and join us as a speaker in this exciting new meeting.

Sincerely,

Steven Van Lanen

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